

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 6, 2015

Members Present: Stacey Bacon
Geoffrey Hines
Amy Hite
John Robb
Deborah McGeorge

Members Absent: LouAnn Colyer
Dick Horton

Others Present: Cameron Alden, Director of Public Works
Troy Graham, City Planner
Andrea Holtzman, Administrative Assistant
Kim Vogel, Director of Parks and Recreation

Chairperson Geoffrey Hines opened the meeting at 12:04 p.m. with five (5) members present.

The first order of business was the approval of the Minutes from September 1, 2015. In this regard, Amy Hite moved, seconded by Stacey Bacon, to approve the minutes as submitted. This motion passed unanimously.

The second order of business was the discussion of formatting options for a map of existing trails. Cameron Alden handed out two options of the maps requested. Troy Graham stated he could email a PDF version of the maps to everyone so they could have time to review the maps. Deborah McGeorge requested the map of preferred routes for bicycles. These maps will be located at City Hall, Parks and Recreation, University Health, Community Health and Campus Christians. It was suggested to have the map cover 2/3 of the page. Mr. Alden will make updates and send the updates to the group.

The third order of business was an update on the Pitsco-Sunflower Trail progress. Mr. Alden indicated this project is completed with the exception of the pocket park located at Quincy and Rouse. The park is still waiting on benches and lighting to be installed.

The fourth order of business was an update on the East/West Connector Trail Progress. Mr. Alden indicated this project is moving forward. The majority of the concrete is poured. Mr. Alden reminded the Board this is a 60 working day project and it began on September 8th.

The fifth order of business was an update on South Rouse Trail Project. Mr. Alden stated the City is still trying to obtain easements for this project. He hopes bids will go out this winter with construction starting March or April of 2016.

The sixth order of business was a recap of the PedNet meeting that was held on September 22, 2015. Kim Vogel explained a final PedNet plan was emailed to the City. Mrs. Vogel indicated she would send out a link to the members of the Board. She explained the Commission agreed to use this document as a reference point in regards to the Master Plan. Troy Graham explained the PedNet plan also suggested some areas to add more trails in the future. This plan also mentioned used reverse angle parking on Broadway. Kim Vogel listed several safety benefits to this type of parking. She explained the Plan suggested to make the Crawford County Museum a potential trail head for a trail that would extend from Wilderness Park to McNally Drive. This PedNet Plan is now the responsibility of the Active Transportation Advisory Board.

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The seventh order of business was an update from Kim Vogel regarding the Walking School Bus. Mrs. Vogel stated the Walking School Bus is completed. There was no large incentive like last year but the number of participating students increased by the end of the event. She also more volunteers were a needed if we were going to run the program again. LiveWell will be leads the Walking School Bus and, volunteers permitted, will be heading up the April program.

The eighth order of business was an update on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed). Kim Vogel explained she did not have an update at this time and requested this item be tabled until the November meeting.

The ninth order of business was a discussion of the long range plan for the Traffic Advisory Board. Chairperson Geoffrey Hines requested this item be tabled until the next meeting.

Under Old Business, Kim Vogel indicated the City was getting ready to apply for Phase 2 of the Safe Routes to School Grant. Troy Graham explained George Nettles, Westside and Pittsburg Community Middle School (PCMS) are schools to which this phase of the grant will assist with getting sidewalks. Up to \$250,000 will be available in this phase. The first phase was \$15,000.

Under New Business, John Robb shared that he would like to see the Board explain and educated the public on the PedNet plan to ensure public support. Mr. Robb recommended the Board Members begin speaking to groups and clubs. He-stated that he would be sharing the plan with local Kiwanis Clubs soon.

Also under New Business, Amy Hite requested to have the trail maps included in the phone book. She will be looking into the cost and options. Chairperson Geoffrey Hines asked if the maps might be posted on Channel 6.

Mr. Hines reminded the Board a new Chair and Vice Chair will be elected in a few months. These terms will begin in January 2016.

The next meeting was set for November 3, 2015 at noon.

There being no further business Stacey Bacon moved, seconded by Amy Hite, to adjourn the meeting at 12:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Holtzman
Administrative Assistant