

Minutes of Prescott Bicycle Advisory Committee

April 2, 2007 at 11:00 AM

Location: City of Prescott Public Works Department Conference Room,
433 N. Virginia

Members present: Jim Knaup, Karen Warrick. Andrew Reinhardt, Steve Becker, Rob Hehlen, Spencer Lace. Guests: Harold and Patty Hiner: Harold needed to attend a public meeting as part of his work toward Eagle Scout Communications Badge.

1. Call to order and introductions

2. Sixth Street-- Jim Knaup and Karen Warrick talked with the Mayor again in March. It is still on his agenda to find a way to have the street re-stripped with bike lanes. We will touch base on this topic again at our next meeting.

3. Report on ADOT Statewide Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan Phase IV Steering Committee Meeting: Karen attended meeting in Phoenix on Tuesday, March 6th as a representative of PBAC. Representatives attended from all over the state. I was impressed with the knowledge displayed by many of the group. One importation issue that will be addressed this year is a "complete streets" legislation.

4. Old business

* Signage on Rosser to accommodate bike traffic - Do we need to take this issue to Transportation Committee? Dale was not at meeting. Karen will follow up on this issue and see if we can have on agenda of the next meeting of the Transportation Committee.

Ian Mattingly was not able to attend meeting but sent letter covering questions: See attached. Instead of having volunteers put up bike route signs, Ian has asked that volunteers help map locations of bike route sign that are already up. Thank you Ian for taking time to provide us with such a complete update. We appreciate all your help and cooperation.

Held over: Recommendation that bike friendly grates be adopted for all new road construction projects. Dana Diller provided Karen with a couple of handouts on grates and bike safety. Needs to be presented to Mark Nietupski: Karen will follow up and try to schedule a meeting with Mark. We do want to thank Dana for the bike rack that has been built and placed in front of the Public Works building on Virginia. Thank You very much!

5. Update from Rob Hehlen. Rob reported that the crew from IMBA and about 30 volunteers completed .2 miles of Circle Trail between White Spar and Senator Highway.

Work continues to secure right-of-way for Circle Trail. City has applied for easements through sections of State Trust Land: from P-Mountain to Storm Ranch and in Williamson Valley/Pioneer Parkway area.

Would like to target Open Space monies to pay for 50% of purchase price from State Trust. Another source of possible funding would be to apply for Heritage Grant Funds that would cover the other 50%. Rob feels it is critical to purchase these easements now rather than later.

Rob also plans to approach Lowe's for support of trail system. Circle Trail will be behind their new building. Would like to have Lowe's provide trailhead parking area and access trail to the Circle Trail as a minimum.

Rob is willing to do a presentation for City Council about Circle Trail and funding needs. Jim and Karen will see how/when we might be able to get this on the City Council agenda. (Needs a month to prepare)

Also, we need to communicate with the Prescott City Streets Dept. to preserve a permanent easement along north side of Willow Lake Road (from Watson Lake to Willow Lake) for Circle Trail right-of-way. That's the only possible route to make the connection between Willow Lake Trail and Watson Lake Trail system to Peavine.

6. Update on Greenways project. Spencer has been working with Jeanne Trupiano. He has created maps that identify parcels and owners. Another map of Greenways Trail project has been created and will be on display in the Library. Jeanne has been hired to make contact with property owners that are still holding out. All property owners who donated previously also have been contacted. They needed to sign a notarized statement that they are aware they could have been compensated for their gifts.

7. Update on City Parks 10 year plan: Jim went to Active focus Groups Meeting. Two days of meeting were held. First day's focus was on stick and ball sports. Second day on trail users. Everyone split up into small discuss groups to provide feedback to consultants. There will be a follow-up meeting on Tuesday night at 6:30 at the Senior Center. Jim

focused on:

- * Bike routes to parks
- * Bike friendly facilities
- * Greenway Trail system completion
- * Completing Peavine Trail to Chino

Also important that planners take in to account the consensus already achieved in the 2003 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

8. Ride to Work with the Mayor Update

We have \$\$ to cover our few needs for breakfast. Poster is printed.

Proclamation will be read at the May 1st City Council meeting at 3 PM. Kim Kapin will promote ride within City Dept. He also will get information to Courier.

Article was printed in the Quality Times this month. Karen will check with Kim Kapin for update and get posters to him.

Spencer will unlock city hall and have tables set up on the morning of the ride for our refreshments. Ed will pick up coffee. Still need a volunteer to pick up bagels and muffins. (Could we do the day before and have at City Hall)

Police support - Karen has arranged with Andy Reinhardt. He needs copy of route map as soon.

Route this year will accommodate school students for drop off. We might want to get stickers or bars or something to give kids who don't do complete ride and have time for refreshment. How about a certificate for schools who have students that participate? Or for the school with the most student/parent participation? Another option might be to make stickers" I rode with the Mayor"

9. Bike Month activities: Busy calendar of events is slowly being created. PCC rides, night with Cosmic Ray, Antique Bike event, Road ! LAB Road One training presented by Carl Paladino, and much more. PAT is doing a great job of working up a full, fun bike month.

10. - New Business/Safety issues: It was reported that the Eagle Electric driver may be hassling bike riders again on White Spar. Ride with care and be alert. Please report any problems to police.

Next meeting May 7th, 2007