

## **Pedestrian Bicycle Advisory Committee**

Minutes from December 9, 2014

Lincoln Parks and Recreation – 2740 “A” Street

**Members Present:** Parks Coble, Rick Dockhorn, Barb Fraser, Marynelle Greene, Damon Hershey, Jordon Messerer, Dalyce Ronnau, Bill Spielman, Beth Thacker, Bill Wehrbein, Michael Wylie.

**Members Absent:** Gary Bentrup, Elaine Hammer, Delrae Hirschman

**Staff Present:** Mike Heyl, J.J. Yost, Kellee Van Bruggen, Terry Genrich

**Others Present:** David Hirschman, Brent Davis, Pam Manske, Luke Pitts

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m., followed by announcement recognizing regulations of the Open Meetings Act as posted by the door.

### **Minutes:**

*Approval of October 14, 2014 minutes: Motion to approve was made by Parks Coble and seconded by Marynelle Greene. Motion passed unanimously.*

### **Staff Reports:**

- Jamaica North Trail construction is moving along nicely. Need to install the fence between the trail and railroad tracks and signage along the streets. Then will be able to open it up. There will be some panels replaced next spring.
- Wilderness Park bridge is on schedule with the abutments being constructed. Bridge truss is expected to be installed December 18-19 with substantial completion by the end of December.
- Billy Wolff Trail, 27<sup>th</sup> to Randolph, is at 90% phase. Hope to have the contract out to bid this winter with construction in the spring with a June 2015 completion.
- Landmark Fletcher is expected to be completed by the middle of next week.
- Penny Bridge was discussed. It is expected to close the Rock Island Trail between Calvert and South Street. A detour route is identified going east along Calvert to 33<sup>rd</sup>, then north to South Street and then back to the Rock Island. This route was discussed knowing it is about the best option and knowing bicyclists will find their own way around the construction site.

- RTP – The Pioneers Park Phase III project was tentatively approved by the Game and Parks Commission. The Wilderness Park South Bridge is on the bubble with hopes of being funded. The Murdock Trail will not get funded.
- RTP – LPSNRD was also tentatively approved to receive funds for the Salt Creek Levee Trail project between 14<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Old Business

The signs have been completed. Next phase is to develop the kiosks and order the signs. Special thanks was given to Dalyce for his work on this project.

“N” Street Protected Bikeway was discussed. Bids came in and the project is expected to be constructed based on the bids received. Contractor is Meco-Henne received the bid. Some creative funding will be required to award the bid but it is expected to be awarded with most of the amenities identified in the original plan part of it.

The city is in the process of putting together an application for a Bike Share Project involving 15 stations with 100 bikes. It will require an 80/20 split in funding. There is hope of getting some financial support from the University for this project.

*A motion was made by Parks Coble and seconded by Beth Thacker for PBAC to write a letter of support for the CMAQ application if this is allowed by the grant. Motion passed unanimously.*

Kellee provided a map with the priority bike routes identified for additional signage. The routes are identified around Lincoln with more identified that will provide a good route for riders into the downtown area. The Complete Streets committee has identified \$10,000 for new Bike Route Signage.

Brent Davis gave an update on what the Nebraska Bicycle Alliance has been doing regarding advancing bicycle legislation. He was meeting this afternoon to better define what the wording will look like. His group is working on the vulnerable road statute regarding personal injury or death as well as the 3 feet to pass law.

Kellee gave an update on Complete Streets as to what the \$50,000 that was budgeted for this year will go towards Complete Street projects. The Complete Streets Committee has identified the following projects:

- Everett Street within the existing ROW (Rock Island Connection)
- Arlington Street within the existing ROW (Rock Island Connection)
- 29<sup>th</sup> Street within the existing ROW (MoPac Connection)
- Dunn Avenue within existing ROW (Helen Boosalis Connection)
- North 52<sup>nd</sup> Street within existing ROW (MoPac Connection)
- \$10K for bike route signage on routes identified as priorities

- \$2-3k for bike racks (locations will be discussed in finer detail with Wayne Mixdorf as he is available to attend our meeting)

Damon presented the slate of officers for the next year. *It was moved by Beth Thacker and seconded by Bill Wehrbein to elect Gary Bentrup as the next Chair and Jordan Messerer as the Vice Chair of PBAC. Motion passed unanimously*

Discussion on Safety/Education efforts will be on next month's agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05