

**Pedestrian Bicycle Advisory Committee**  
Minutes from February 12, 2019  
Woods Park Place – 3131 'O' Street, Suite 300

**Members Present:** Gary Bentrup, Rick Dockhorn, Barb Fraser, Elaine Hammer, Delrae Hirschman, Dalyce Ronnau, Jordan Messerer, Clayton Streich, Roy Rivera, Susan Larson Rodenburg.

**Guests:** Jamie Granquist, Steven McCullough, Chris St. Pierre.

**Staff Present:** J.J. Yost, Sara Hartzell, Bobby Bartja, Kellee Van Bruggen, Mike Heyl, Michele Jordan, Randy Hoskins, Don Scheinost.

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:02 a.m. and noted the meeting follows the Open Meetings Act, posted in the room. Minutes moved by Dalyce, seconded by Delrae with a correction to the word peruse to pursue on the 5<sup>th</sup> word of the last line then approved unanimously.

**Staff Reports:** Sara announce Roy Rivera as a new Lincoln Parks and Recreation employee starting Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. Due to Roy's new employment status he will be resigning as Vice Chair and as a board member.

Sara reported the delay with concrete work at Penny Bridges so the trail will be open through the winter. Sara shared the Tabitha Run via the Lincoln Track Club scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>. The concrete work will be delayed until after the run.

The bids are in for the work at 84<sup>th</sup> & Old Cheney. Work is still scheduled to begin this spring and complete approximately the end of June. Sara also stated the 30% plan was just sent to the BNSF for the Rock Island Jamaica Bridge and are expecting comments quickly. The Wilderness South Bridge is in the stage of getting permits and planning for tree removal and everything is in good shape. Construction date is still scheduled for this spring/summer depending on permits, etc.

J.J. brought up the Rock Island Trail regarding a portion of the trail that will have to be removed for LES to put power source in. LES will do its best to have everything in place for the run. LES is aware and will postpone if necessary. LES will be a few day procedure. Elaine asked if the Rock Island Bridge design has been changed. Sara advised her everything is the same and explained what is being done with a timeline of construction of late summer or fall.

Kellee shared that the City Council met last night regarding the Lincoln Bike Plan for the Comprehensive Plan Amendment which was voted in 4-3 with a large showing of PBAC board members. The next step is working with the Lincoln Transportation Utilities as projects come up. Susan felt the presentation was good and Jaime organized everyone.

Kellee said there is talk regarding scooters. They will be developing an ordinance that works from what was seen at the pilot program. Many groups are involved including the University.

**Old Business:** Steven McCullough who is a Civil Engineer with Department of Roads gave a comprehensive presentation concerning the South Beltway. Steven shared that the beltway will have a completion date in 2020 according to the Mayor. There was discussion regarding laws with

Freeways and highways regarding bicycles. The plans include a Trail System which will be able to accommodate a trail on either side. A bonus will be having a large decrease in semi-trucks on Highway 2.

The yearly calendar of meetings was discussed briefly. All board members were given a copy for review and suggestions. Sara asked that if board members have a copy of the PBAC by-laws to please look and bring. This will be around 1996 if they exist.

**New Business:** Susan discussed a need for collecting data on trail along with commuting for future infrastructure plans. This is something Susan has noticed a need for when attending City Council and other types of meetings.

Captain Don Scheinost spoke about a recent bicycle and vehicle accident. The accident occurred on January 5<sup>th</sup>. The officer on the scene is unavailable due to an on the job injury. Captain Scheinost proceeded to review how the bicyclist was crossing the 84<sup>th</sup> St and stated the bicyclist did not yield as required along with an improper turn. There were no high speeds of vehicles. The citation of the bicyclist was dropped. There were two other cars in a crash due to this event. Captain Scheinost is not aware of the status of tickets, etc. for these vehicles. Captain Scheinost shared in the future if a ticket is given speak directly to the Officer that was at the scene.

Susan brought up a lot of mud in the tunnel on the trail around 84<sup>th</sup> and Old Cheney area. Parks and Recreation is aware and Watershed Management is working on bids. J.J. explained the there is no great fix but are in the process of making it better. J.J. discussed creating a trail along 84<sup>th</sup> up to Old Cheney to provide an alternative. Grading is the issue in the general area.

With Roy leaving the need for a Vice Chair was discussed. Sara stated there is a nomination committee process and will be sending an email out to the nomination committee to be discussed at next month's meeting.

**Adjourn:** 8:10 a.m.