

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

**Members Present:** Parks Coble, Barb Fraser, Mary Amen, Elaine Hammer, Dalyce Ronnau, Luke Pitts, Jordan Messerer, Clayton Streich, Susan Larson Rodenburg.

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

**Staff Present:** Mark Lutjeharms, Sara Hartzell, Bobby Bartja, Lynn Johnson, Kellee Van Bruggen, Mike Heyl.

**Call to Order:** Called the meeting to order at 7:00 am and noted the meeting follows the Open Meetings Act, posted in the room. Minutes moved by Dalyce, seconded by Barb and approved unanimously with a correction first page regarding the completion date of 2020 of the South Beltway. Starting is the correct word as opposed to completion.

**Staff Reports:** Sara reported the primary item is getting trees down by the Wilderness south bridge. Due to the Migratory Bird Act this needs to be accomplished by the middle of April. Project almost ready to go out for bid. Murdock is still in need of some clean-up work. 84<sup>th</sup> & Old Cheney underpasses have been put out for bid. The Penny Bridge project is at a standstill until things dry out. Many current projects are weather pending.

Jamie shared that they are adding more docks by 13<sup>th</sup> and F Streets and the Haymarket by June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jamie also stated there has been more than 4,500 trips with the weather.

Mark stated there is a link on the City website which shows all the projects that are in progress. Mark shared a few smaller projects: 84<sup>th</sup> & Leighton and 37<sup>th</sup> & (D?) are being worked on for school crossings.

The Sales Tax proposal was brought up by Elaine. From Mark's understanding it is to be used curb to curb and would not include trails. Lynn gave a more detailed explanation.

**Old Business:** N/A

**New Business:** Emily Casper from UNL was going to be sharing plans at this meeting, but due to LPS Spring Break she is being rescheduled. Sara is sharing resolutions and by-laws. The resolution shared was from 1997 when the Recreational Trails Advisory Committee and the Bicycle Safety subcommittee of the former Traffic Safety Committee were combined to create the Pedestrian Bicycle Advisory Committee. The Lincoln Traffic Safety Committee was dis-banded later and an amendment reflecting that was made to the resolution. The amendment also states the committee shall adopt as it may deem necessary any bylaws. Sara says as far as she can find there have been no by-laws created. Sara created some potential by-laws with language taken from the original resolution. Sara bolded verbiage that was copied directly from the standing Resolution. The department has been discussing the need to get more community members involved in these boards, and trying to diversify the boards to better reflect the whole community. Toward that end, there is an effort to try and turn board seats over to new members after two terms served. This has been well received throughout the City. This doesn't mean it will be a term limit, period, these are

Mayoral appointments and the Mayor may appoint whomever he or she sees fit. Also discussed identifying seats on the committee to be reserved for particular groups, such as schools, GPTN, and other pedestrian and or bicycle groups. There was some discussion of the positives and negatives of such a move.

There was a lot of questions and variety of discussion regarding what the mayor is or is not involved with along with many aspects of what by-laws would best serve the PBAC.

The committee gave Sara many items they would like to see in the by-laws. Sara took note and will be revising.

Scooters became a talking point. There is a possibility of Lincoln conducting a Pilot for Scooters. The committee discussed the pros and cons.

A "Mission Statement" was also discussed. Whether there is a need for one and if so, will it describe the purpose of the committee, be long or short or if needed at all.

The election of the new Vice-Chair is Mary Amen. The committee motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion and voted Mary Amen as Vice-Chair unanimously.

Susan reminded the committee of the annual meeting of GPTN taking place Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Cornhusker Bank at 84<sup>th</sup> & 'O' Street with a presentation regarding the Prairie Corridor with Sara, the Mayor and Mike Forsberg presenting.

Sara brought up sidewalk issues that are to be discussed in the future. With all of the snow this winter snow removal will be added to the discussion.

**Adjourn:** 8:00 a.m.