

Bicycle Friendly Committee

March 1, 2017 MINUTES

🚦 Welcome, Introductions, and News

- Members and guests greet another.

🚦 The BFC meeting came to order.

- Bill Blessing made a motion to approve the agenda. Alicia Jennings seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Bill Blessing made a motion to approve the November 2nd, 2016 minutes. Alicia Jennings seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

🚦 Recreational Loop Signage

- Brian Anderson, David Ley, Joe Johnson conversed with Marty Shukert of RDG Planning & Design via phone. They discuss signing the recreational loop. The sign is a standard traffic sign, adopted by the Manual and Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Marty Shukert will design the sign with the three trees logo with bike accents or leave it blank with arrows for guiding at an intersection with repeating signage every 800 feet or so.
- Members discuss signage options such as designs, all-weather stickers for info/direction.
- The consultant complimented on the city's beauty and riding trails. He recommended two bike recreational loops, one north and one south, meeting at City Park.

🚦 Filling Vacant Position

- Two men applied for the vacancy.
- Barry Nelson, neighbor of April Bishop (Leawood Cultural Arts Coordinator), is an avid cyclist and is retired from John Deere, Agriculture background, Public Relations and Marketing.
- Ron Schikevitz, is an engineer for Burns and McDonnell, is an avid cyclist who designs bike trails, etc. Recommended by Ben Biller, Vice-Chair Jennings and Chuck Sipple.
- The mayor would like a recommendation from the SAB.

- Bill Blessing makes a motion that committee delegate to Chair Corbett and Brian Anderson the option to approve or not these two candidates and to forward one or both of the names to SAB and the mayor. Vice-Chair Jennings seconded the motion.

🚦 Discuss/Review Mission Statement/Goals

- Subcommittee of Sustainability Advisory Board.
- Bylaws focused on bicycles.
- Chair Corbett would like the group to reset, to review mission goals, roles, reevaluate priorities, etc., and to ensure the committee is using their time valuably.
- Chuck Sipple (also the Chair of SAB) shares the roles and accomplishments of SAB. The SAB is a steward of things green in the City of Leawood and they share that responsibility to the homes association presidents who then shares it within their neighborhood.
- Members discuss what the BFC's mission is and to focus more on bicycle and pedestrian activities such as school traffic safety, how green mobility ties in with design and management of public infrastructure, and community input recommendations for Public Works projects through SAB. It has been suggested that the committee meet to discuss

ATTENDEES

5:30 pm • Leawood City Hall
4800 Town Center Drive
Main Conference Room

Members

- Kevin Corbett, Chair**
- Alicia Jennings, Vice-Chair**
- Bill Blessing**
- Bill Day**
- David Harwood**
- Dan Schaeffer**

City Staff

- Brian Anderson**
Parks Superintendent
- Marica Putman**
Administrative Graphics Tech
- David Ley**, City Engineer
- Phil Goff**, Police Officer
- Chris Rues**, Police Officer
- Mark Klein**, Planning Official

Guests

- Chuck Sipple, Councilmember**
- Karry Rood, Police**

a reset or the rebranding of BFC to include updating its mission, bylaws and goals. Chair Corbett will attend an SAB meeting to better understand SAB's processes.

- With committee support, Chair Corbett and Brian Anderson will review/revise section one of the bylaws and create a flow chart of responsibilities from different departments, committees, and subcommittees so as not to replicate something that is being done elsewhere.

✚ Main Routes to Schools Project

- Gareth Matthews presented main routes to schools at the BFC's November's meeting. Chair Sipple is considering asking Gareth Matthews to be a member of BFC.
- Several members of SAB will meet with the mayor on the 9th to discuss the recommendation and to propose the process of main routes to school, where they are, what they would like to do, etc. so that she is aware of what it is.
- Members discuss the topic further about the BFC's roles and past experiences in school traffic safety.

✚ Review Bike Metrics Goals

- Bill Blessing explains the bike metric goals that Brian Anderson is presenting. The information gathered will inform members if progress is being made toward self-propelled Leewood.
- Currently, there is a total of 76 miles of bike lanes, signed roads, and trails. That would be 100% of the bike plan with infrastructure already done. Today, only 14 miles are done; 18% done. In the CIP in the next 5 years, figuring in bike lanes is another 11 miles. Brian Anderson continues explaining the numbers and will estimate new figures, including recreational loops.
- David Harwood shares the concept of "Earned Value" to help explain financial accrual on the numbers of where did we start, how much have we completed in a time period, what is in the plan, what is the forecast going forward, and a projection of long until its completed. It's a quick view and provides a cost for investment. Dollars per mile: bike lanes = huge cost = in the CIP and signed only bike trails = low cost with high impact.
- Bill Blessing comments on the 3 implementation priorities.
 - Integrate plan goals with several city departments (police, public works, parks & recreation)
 - Cooperate to designate main school routes, conduct annual review and safety education
 - Promote awareness and use of Leewood park system, public art, and 2 recreational bike loops
- Members continue the discussion.

✚ City Department Reports

- Phil Goff reported a bicycle and car crash on Tuesday. The car pulled out in front of bicyclist. Cyclist was shaken up a bit; car driver was cited and did not appreciate getting the ticket. This is the only reported accident of the year. It has been a warm winter.
- Brian Anderson is working on a bid for a trail renovation. The ¼ mile trail will be relocated and widen to 10 feet. The asphalt will be pulverized and used as the base for the concrete. The trail is at Tomahawk Park, 119th & Roe.

✚ Adjourn

- David Harwood made a motion to end the meeting. Bill Blessing seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- The next regular BFC meeting of May 3, 2017.