

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AUGUST 2, 2016

Members Present: Amy Hite, Chairperson
John Robb, Vice Chairperson
Stacey Bacon
LouAnn Colyer
Geoffrey Hines
Dick Horton

Members Absent: Deborah McGeorge

Others Present: Troy Graham, City Planner
Andrea Holtzman, Administrative Assistant

Chairperson, Amy Hite, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with six (6) members present.

The first order of business was the approval of the Minutes from July 5th, 2016. In this regard, John Robb mentioned the attendance should reflect he was in attendance and Geoffrey Hines was absent. Geoffrey Hines moved, seconded by Dick Horton, to approve the minutes with the change in attendance. This motion passed unanimously.

The first order of business was a discussion regarding safety concerns from the board members. It was reported on the northeast corner of 4th Street and Locust the curb and sidewalk is rough and broken creating difficulty for pedestrians and those with wheel chairs, walkers and strollers. It was requested to look into making this area a priority for repairs.

Also, on North Broadway in front of the fence at Pepsi Co., the sidewalk needs repaired from 12th to 14th Streets on the west side of Broadway.

Geoffrey Hines indicated traffic is traveling with excessive speed in the 900 Block of East 10th and surrounding areas. This item will be added to the Traffic Advisory Board.

There is a need for sidewalks in the southwest quadrant. Several people in this area walk recreationally and they end up in the street since there are no sidewalks.

There was some discussion regarding the need for sidewalks in the City. There was a request to look at adding sidewalks into the next Street Sales Tax in 2020.

The path on the east side of Research Road has a small tree growing next to the path that has started to impede onto the path.

It was requested to get a price on how much it would cost to put an insert into the water bills.

Chairperson, Amy Hite, requested more bike pamphlets be made to hand out to the PSU students.

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It was also discussed about putting information together to get to the public about keeping hedges, trees and bushes trimmed keeping sidewalks and paths cleared for pedestrians.

The second order of business was an update on the People for Bikes Grant. Troy Graham explained the letter of application was submitted last week. He indicated a request for a total 3 pump stations was submitted. He indicated the grant would be awarded fall of 2016.

LouAnn Colyer mentioned another possible grant was the Futures Grant.

The third order of business was an update on the Crawford County Active Transportation Advisory Board meeting. Vice Chairperson, John Robb, indicated the Crawford County Active Transportation Advisory Board (CCATAB) has met twice. PedNet attended the first CCATAB meeting. So far the meetings have discussed a possible network of trails is being researched to connect the SEK communities. Representatives are still needed for some of the communities. Mr. Robb requested information about the progress on the pocket park near the ball fields. Kim Vogel will need to address this at the next meeting.

Mr. Robb announced that September 3rd the Gorilla Century Bike Ride which travels around Crawford County.

It was asked if the Walking School Bus was going to be done this year. Troy Graham will be looking into this.

There being no further business LouAnn Colyer moved, seconded by Dick Horton, to adjourned the meeting at 12:42 p.m. The next meeting will be held in the Upstairs Conference Room of City Hall on September 6, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. After a brief discussion regarding the Labor Day Holiday it was decided to keep the meeting this date.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Holtzman
Administrative Assistant