

OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS
MARCH 2, 2021

A Regular Session of the Active Transportation Advisory Board was held at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 digitally via Zoom, Chairperson Debra Anthony, Erin Fletcher, Darrell Pulliam, Debra McGeorge, John Robb and Leah Gagnon were present, as well as Kim Vogel, Director of Parks and Recreation and Jess Frasher as Secretary. Vice Chairperson Reno Cecora was not present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JANUARY 5, 2021 – On motion of Erin Fletcher, seconded by Darrell Pulliam, the minutes of the January 5, 2021 Active Transportation Advisory Board meeting were approved as submitted. Motion Carried. Absent: Cecora.

ANNUAL REPORT – The annual report was not prepared previous to the meeting and the review was tabled for the April 5th Active Transportation Advisory Board meeting.

BIKE ROUTE SIGNAGE – Kim Vogel stated that progress is being made with this project. Vogel has met with the traffic department and there are concerns over the number of signs being placed, and that some begin and end route signs were confusing on paper. Vogel stated that the City is going to try and use existing poles for the first signs that will go up, before installing new poles. Deborah McGeorge stated that she will review the areas where signage is to be installed.

KDOT REPORT – Kim Vogel was the only City of Pittsburg liaison present during the Kansas Department of Transportation meeting. Vogel stated that participants were divided up into groups to discuss concerns and accomplishments for our area. The goals that were listed are Safety, Equity, Mobility, Connectivity, Health, Community Vibrancy, and Sustainability. The meeting consisted of brainstorming sessions with no real outcome. Pulliam's internet connection was not adequate enough to attend the KDOT meeting. Fletcher had a question about KDOT Funding.

QUADRANT REPORT –McGeorge reported that she had no concerns for her quadrant, but that a citizen had approached her over concerns due to residual sand that had accumulated during the recent winter weather on the bike lane on West Fourth Street. Pulliam had a question of debris pickup in the Bypass area. John Robb reported that his quadrant was quiet, with lots of pedestrian traffic. Erin Fletcher stated that the residents in the quadrant that she represents have remained indoors for the most part. Leah Gagnon similarly to Fletcher, stated that the residents of her quadrant have mostly remained indoors. Gagnon discussed the transportation of people to the warming shelter located in the Lincoln Center during the recent winter weather. She also stated that she had concerns over speeding in the area where she lives in southwest Pittsburg. Gagnon informed the members that she has relocated and that her address is not within City limits and that she is uncertain if her representation on the board would change due to her relocation.

WALK AUDIT – Pulliam stated that he had observed multiple areas of concern on south Broadway. Vogel expressed interest in the board using the same format for the walk audits in order to achieve more consistency. Anthony stated that the Fourth and Water area is complete and that she has observed multiple areas of concern, Anthony continued that although the streets were easy to cross while going north to south, some crossings didn't have ramps for wheelchair use. Fletcher stated that she has been

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taking photos of her observed areas of concern so that she can add issues to the report when a format has been decided. Anthony also expressed interest in having a standard format and stated that she would provide her format for board use. Debra McGeorge said that she would be happy to complete a walk audit, and asked what area she would be able to do so.

UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION – Vogel requested that Board Members provide updated contact information via email to Secretary Jess Frasher, the contact information requested includes Addresses, Email Addresses, and phone numbers.

OTHER BUSINESS – Vogel discussed a KDWP&T grant that she and previous Public Works Director Cameron Alden applied for to connect Wilderness Park to the hotels in the vicinity and make improvements to the south bridge. Vogel said that she was encouraged seeing other communities seeking funding for trails projects and said that we should be notified in the near future if we would be receiving funding from this grant.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, on motion of Pulliam, seconded by McGeorge, the Active Transportation Advisory Board adjourned. Motion Carried.
Absent: Cecora.



Chairperson – Debra Anthony

ATTEST:


Secretary – Jess Frasher