

MEQUON/THIENSVILLE BIKE/PEDESTRIAN COMMISSION

Friday February 1, 2013 at 9:30 A.M.
Mequon City Hall, Administrative Conference Room

Minutes

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chairman O. Frets. Those present were J. Jessel, T. Mooney, J. & H. Ward, J. Treffert (excused 10:50 a.m.) and K. Wade. For the City of Mequon: K. Lundeen and B. Vento. Future member John Liegeois (Thiensville Replacement) arrived 9:57 a.m.

2. Review Minutes of December 7, 2012.

Discussion: O. Frets asked for a motion to approve the minutes of December 7, 2012. J. Treffert moved to approve. J. Jessel seconded. A voice vote was called. The motion passed 6-0 with 1 vacancy.

3. Bikeway Commission Annual Report & Duties – O. Frets

Discussion: O. Frets stated that one of the duties of this Commission was to submit an annual report to the Mequon Common Council and Thiensville Village Board. He drafted a report and presented it to the Commission for their review and additional comments. Several items were mentioned and will be included in his next draft. O. Frets will e-mail to Commission members prior to the next meeting for their review and approval ready for the next meeting.

K. Lundeen pointed out that five members are needed for a Quorum and that everyone should take a moment to review the duties as listed in the Ordinance.

4. 2010-2030 Project Prioritization List – O. Frets

Discussion: O. Frets brought up the project list created in 2012. He asked if there was anything that needed to be moved up or down. K. Lundeen mentioned that the Commission should watch the Donges Bay project (#8, 5' lanes-Cedarburg Rd to Wauwatosa Rd) as the City is going to be looking at this item. J. Treffert asked about item 5 (County Line Rd – 4' lanes-Cedarburg Rd to Swan Rd). K. Lundeen stated that it stands no where right now. The City started at Wausaukee and did the first mile, and if things can be worked out with Milwaukee the next mile will be done this year and in 2014 the next section with Brown Deer. Right now we're waiting on the road budget. H. Ward asked about No. 8. K. Lundeen replied that the city is looking mainly at Donges Bay between Wausaukee and Granville. O. Frets asked if we should leave the list as is and K. Lundeen agreed. Revisit the list again next year.

5. Planned Events

Discussion: O. Frets presented an event calendar for the year. The first three are related to Bike to Work Week. We're going to have a Commuter Station set up at the Chamber Center. There will be coffee and goodies set up on their way to work. It would be good to get some donors for the coffee and donuts. K. Lundeen suggested putting a banner over the first three items on the list. T Mooney suggested maybe putting up some signs on the trail directing them to the coffee and goodies. H. Ward also mentioned using the Community sign. O. Frets stated that the Mayor & Village President at this point will ride their bikes to work on May 15 leaving from City Hall. May 18th will be the ride to the Mequon Nature Preserve and will leave at 9:00 a.m. J. Treffert suggested starting all of the events at the same time say 9:00 a.m. to stay consistent. June 1st is Bike Fest and O. Frets has a number of events arranged. K. Lundeen mentioned sending any dates that are set up now to Pam at Mequon City Hall for the Community Board. July 13th is Mountain Biking in Oz County. These are single tracks and one cyclist at a time. K. Wade mentioned that both of the events scheduled for July 13th are at the same time as Gathering on The Green. O. Frets changed the date for both events to July 21st with the

bluff tour at 4:00 p.m. and a game after at 5:05 p.m. T. Mooney has a ride set for Aug 10th to Harrington Beach Park. There will be a stop half way up for food and rest. The whole trip is about 35 miles. T. Mooney asked for a name for the ride. The ride will be call "To the Beach and Back". September will be the same ride as last year. The time is subject to the Packer Game.

K. Wade asked who was going to be responsible for getting the advertising and everything done. O. Frets handed out a marketing sheet to help promote the events calendar and asked that every one pick a couple of the items. The commission went through the list and assigned tasks that each member will be responsible for the entire season of 2013.

6. Bike Racks – B. Mack

Locations

Fiddleheads

Discussion: O. Frets noted that B. Mack was not present. J. Jessel mentioned to K. Wade that she should contact Mike W. one of the owners of Fiddleheads concerning donating a bike rack(s).

J. Ward said that the guy that was to make plaques is not working out. He will contact someone else make them.

7. Bicycle Friendly Community

Application

Joint-Mequon/Thiensville – T. Mooney & O. Frets

Discussion: O. Frets said the application deadline is at the end of February and/or the end of June. J. Jessel asked if it looked like we could get approved. T. Mooney said we need to figure out what areas need to be done to move forward on and getting them done. There are a number of things regarding education and safe routes to school. O. Frets said that originally the app was answered incorrectly on several items. O. Frets said one area we lacked in was adult education as far as having classes or instructors. O. Frets asked that each commission member take three pages of the report find the answers to the questions. T. Mooney will take pages 1-4; K. Wade 5-7; J. Jessel pages 8-11; J. Ward 12-15; O Frets 16-19 and J. Treffert pages 20-22.

8. M-T Outdoors Website – K. Wade

Objectives to Join Our E-Mail List

Discussion: K. Wade said after discussion with J. Treffert maybe we don't want to form an e-mail list after talking with J. Treffert. .

9. Community Involvement – T. Mooney

Impromptu Rides

Ozaukee Bicycle Club

Letter from Nancy Camden

Discussion: T. Mooney is still working on it with Dave Harney. Ms. Camden is very happy that we are redoing the area around the We Energies substation and wanted to communicate that to the City. T. Mooney asked if we should pass this letter along to the Common Council. K. Lundeen said it should really come from her. She should be able to find the e-mail addresses on the City Web site if someone wanted help her identify them.

10. OIT Improvement – Bonniwell Substation Revision – K. Lundeen

Discussion: K. Lundeen has the contracts for the design on her desk for signature and will be forwarded back to the state for the governor's signature which will take 6-8 weeks. Once complete

we can move forward with the design and the first thing that will be done will be to survey the area for corrections and alternatives for the least expense. There is also Wetland delineation from SEWRPAC that will need to be worked out.

11. Mountain Biking

Pleasant Valley Mountain Bike Trails Sub Highland Woods

Discussion: O. Frets was asked if there were any areas interested in Mountain Biking. He went through his old notes and found something regarding Highland Woods. K. Lundeen received a document from the City Park Director that stated there will be no Mountain Biking anywhere in the Woods. H. Ward thought the area was County owned land that was to the south of Highland Woods. J. Ward thought that was the Old Fox Farm and then you would have to keep them out of the woods. H. Ward said that they had talk to Andrew Struck at the County. There is a parcel of county land can be developed at sometime, originally it was for an extension of the golf course but they are not doing. H. Ward also had spoken to D. Curran that mountain biking could be done in. K. Lundeen said they probably should be contacting the Park Board first with a recommendation from the Bike Commission.

12. Signs

Branding Committee – J. Treffert

Discussion: J. Treffert said that he had nothing yet on this.

13. Additional Connections

Green Bay Road in Thiensville/Mequon

Discussion: J. Treffert said it was going out for bids. The bid opening was March 29th.

14. Other Business

H. Ward asked if there was any objection to holding the meetings at 10:00 a.m. O. Frets asked the Commission if there was any objection and all agreed to return the 10:00 time slot.

Next meeting: March 1, 2013

15. Adjourn

K. Wade moved to Adjourn.

T. Mooney second.

A voice vote was called. The motion passed 5-1(excused). 1 vacancy.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.