

Minutes
Auburn Bicycle Committee (ABC)
October 29, 2013

These minutes have not been approved.

Voting members present: Dave Kern, Brad Hooks, Mike Stone, Peter Wolf, Kirk Iversen, Public Works Representative Brandy Ezelle, Parks & Recreation Representative Alison Hall, Public Safety Representative Pat McCulloch, Peter Livant; a quorum was present.

Absent: AU Liaison Eric Smith.

Visitors: Dave Elton, Nathan Moore, Jeff LaMondia.

Call to Order Chairman Dave Kern called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the conference room at the Auburn Public Library.

Introductory Comments Joanna Hoit has submitted her resignation from the Committee. David Kern noted that she has made great contributions to the Committee and the Auburn cycling community through her work. She was instrumental in creating the Auburn Bicycle Plan, creating the Committee, the Auburn Bike Bash, community rides, and many other projects that have improved cycling in Auburn. These contributions have been partially recognized in the naming of the Joanna Hoit Bicycle Path along Wire Rd. in southwest Auburn.

Attendance and Minutes A quorum was present. Minutes from the September meeting were submitted for approval. Having no amendments, a motion (Wolf/Hooks) to approve the September Minutes was adopted.

Bike Bash Report Kirk Iversen, Chair of the 2014 Auburn Bike Bash, reported that planning continues to go well.

Bicycle Level of Service Map Jeff LaMondia reported progress of the project to develop a map of Auburn rating the suitability for cycling of City roads and bicycle. Nathan Moore is a graduate student working with LaMondia on this project.

Help from Committee members and other cyclists will be needed to collect road perception data. Five types of data are needed: bus stops, sight distance issues, pavement quality, barriers, and maintenance. Volunteers will take maps provided by LaMondia and Moore and check the roads to determine the needed data; these maps will be entered into the GIS system being used to generate the Level of Service Map.

The intention is to have maps distributed to volunteers by the November meeting and data collected by the end of the year. If Committee members cannot do the necessary work by themselves, other volunteers from the Auburn cycling community will be recruited.

Public Safety Report Pat McCormick reported there were no bicycle–motorist accidents reported since the last meeting. There was some discussion about accident reporting. McCormick stated that traffic reporting follows state guidelines. Pedestrian issues are much more numerous than those involving cycling.

Parks & Recreation Alison Hall reported three new bike racks installed at the Harris Center. At the dedication of the Center, an old rack was discovered with a plaque. A suggestion was made to install it on one of the new racks.

The Department will be showing a movie at Town Creek Park on Oct. 30. David Kern agreed to take his popcorn machine, locally–famous from Bike Bash appearances, to the Park to make popcorn (supplied by the Department) for the attendees.

Public Works Report Brandy Ezelle hopes to deploy the bicycle counters recently purchased by the Committee on some City roads this week.

Other Business

- a. Mike Stone presented a TED Talk You Tube video – *New York’s streets? Not so mean anymore* – featuring Janette Sadik-Khan (Commissioner, New York City Dept. of Transportation), in which she describes the development of a bicycle-friendly New York City. Enthusiastic discussion followed.
- b. Peter Wolf encouraged everyone to consider attending the League of American Bicyclists’ *Bike Summit* in Washington, DC in March. Wolf and Iversen have attended several and have found them informative and useful.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted by: Kirk Iversen