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Public Works Department

# Joint Mequon-Thiensville Bike and Pedestrian Way Commission Thursday, June 7, 2018 8:00 AM Administration Conference Room

## **Minutes**

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

#### **Present:**

Chair Carol Leonard Commissioner John Liegeois Commissioner Kristin Wade Vice Chair T. Azinger

#### **Absent:**

Commissioner Ron Heinritz Commissioner Maggie Sewart Commissioner Janice Druetzler-Katz

Also present were Assistant City Engineer Bridge Henk and Administrative Secretary Barb Vento. In the audience observing was Dennis Connors, 9332 W Concord Dr., Mequon, Wisconsin.

# 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. Commissioner Azinger made a motion to approve the minutes of April 12th, 2018.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

MOVED BY:

Commissioner Azinger

**SECONDED BY:** 

Commissioner Wade

AYES:

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

# 3. Election of Officers

1. Commissioner Azinger made a motion to nominate Commissioner Leonard as Chair.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

MOVED BY:

Commissioner Azinger

**SECONDED BY:** 

Commissioner Liegeois

AYES: Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

2. Commissioner Wade nominated Commissioner Azinger as Vice Chair.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

MOVED BY:

Commissioner Wade

SECONDED BY:

Commissioner Liegeois

**AYES:** 

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

## 4. Resident Communications

Citizens wishing to address the Commission on any matter not on the agenda may do so at this time. If you desire to be heard on agenda items, you may be heard when that item is considered on the agenda. The time limitation is FIVE minutes. Please state your name and address.

Chair Leonard noted that no one was present for this item.

## 5. Discussion/Action Items

a. Alexander Pendleton-Bike-Pedestrian Path From Zedler Lane to Fairy Chasm

Chair Leonard made a note that Mr. Pendleton wants to move this item up on the Priority List from number 18. This item was brought before this Commission previously by Mr. Pienkos to construct a path along the railway.

1. Chair Leonard motioned to table this item until next month.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

MOVED BY:

Chairman Leonard

**SECONDED BY:** 

Commissioner Wade

AYES:

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

## b. Ozaukee Interurban Trail Crossing at Donges Bay Rd

Engineer Henk handed out an e-mail from Andrew Struck of Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Dept. and Ozaukee Interurban Trail Advisory Council. The Ozaukee Interurban Trail Advisory Council had not formally met to take action on the proposed improvements to the OIT at Donges Bay Road, but Ozaukee County strongly opposes any realignment due to conflicts with the Bicycle Facility Design Manual and biker safety. Discussion ensued regarding the number and locations of existing signage and striping. There is currently a significant amount of signs and striping on the roadway that are being ignored, an educational approach may be warranted to improve bicycle and vehicular safety. Vice Chair Azinger will take pictures of the current signage from the cyclist perspective and provide them at the next meeting for review of it adequacy.

Discussion ensued on the opportunities to develop safety messages in local media. Commissioner Wade suggested going over what the rules are with a police officer so that we have the bicycle regulations correct, then write something and have the police review it again for clarity. Commissioner Wade will lead this effort and prepare information for the next meeting.

1. Vice Chair Azinger made a motion to prepare literature to educate regarding pedestrian and bicycle crossings to be provided to publications and brought back to this Committee next month.

RESULT:

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

MOVED BY: SECONDED BY: Commissioner Azinger

SECONDED BY:

Chairman Leonard

**AYES:** 

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

2. Chair Leonard requested a motion to have Vice Chair Azinger go look at the signs and take additional pictures.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

**MOVED BY:** 

Chairman Leonard

**SECONDED BY:** 

Commissioner Wade

**AYES:** 

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

- c. Ozaukee Interurban Trail Crossing at County Line Rd
- 1. Chair Leonard made a motion to table Item C as it ties heavily to Item B and some of the work.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

MOVED BY: SECONDED BY:

Chairman Leonard Commissioner Azinger

AYES:

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

#### d. Resident Survey

Commissioner Wade sent an e-mail to Ald. Wirth requesting to add questions to their survey. Ald. Wirth replied that it's a slow process and will present it to his committee. They are only going to do 25 questions and will let us know if they would be willing to incorporate bikeway questions. Commissioner Wade will follow-up on this item.

#### e. Bike Racks

Chair Leonard said that she was not able to merge the photos to the form yet. She does have them and said that we will move to next month.

Engineer Henk reported that Spur 16 and Foxtown are incorporating racks into their designs.

### f. Promoting Biking

Vice Chair Azinger noted that we were a proud sponsor of Safety Day in Thiensville. He was at Arbor Day with his family, along with Chair Leonard and Commissioner Druetzler-

Katz. Engineer Henk said to make a note that for next year in February and March that we should be talking about Arbor Day and Bike Safety Day.

Commissioner Liegeois suggested talking to various Boy Scout groups, especially Eagle Scouts who have to do a project to be an Eagle Scout. Scouts around the country take up biking or signs around the country as their project. Maybe get a high school program or scout program going.

1. Vice Chair Azinger made a motion to reach out to the Eagle Scout Master on a bike safety project. Vice Chair Azinger will send e-mail.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

MOVED BY:

Commissioner Azinger

**SECONDED BY:** 

Commissioner Wade

**AYES:** 

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

#### 6. Other Business

Engineer Henk reminded everyone that the Annual Report for the Bikeway Commission is due preferably in April. It gives the Council an idea of what we are doing.

The next meeting is September 13, 2018 at 8:00 am

# 7. Adjourn

a. Commissioner Wade made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 am.

**RESULT:** 

Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]

**MOVED BY:** 

Commissioner Wade

**SECONDED BY:** 

Commissioner Azinger

AYES:

Leonard, Liegeois, Wade, Azinger

Respectfully Submitted,

Barb Vento