



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission
Hanson Room

Arlington Heights Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
December 1, 2015
7:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of 9/21/15

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Bicycle Parking Ordinance

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion on obstructions in bike lanes

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minutes of 9/21/15

Department: Village Clerk

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Minutes of 9/21/15

Type

Minutes

*Minutes of the Arlington Heights Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission
Monday, September 21, 2015 in the Hanson Room at Village Hall*

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Peter Szabo, Chairman
James K. Daley
Paul Danko
Juergen Juffa

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Alan Medsker
Michael Walczak

STAFF PRESENT:

Briget Schwab, Engineering Liaison, VAH

OTHERS PRESENT:

RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr. Michael Bagby

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, P. Szabo called the meeting to order at 7:47 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

J. Juffa moved to table the approval of the Minutes of the Bicycle Advisory Commission Meeting July 7, 2015 since the quorum present at tonight's meeting were not in attendance at the July 7th meeting.

J. Juffa moved to approve the Minutes of the Bicycle Advisory Commission Meeting August 27, 2015. P.Danko seconded the motion J. Daley abstained since he was absent from the meeting and the motion was carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- P. Szabo reported that he spoke with John O'Neal from CMAP. J. O' Neal indicated to P. Szabo that he was very impressed with the amount of information provided by the BPAC/Steering Committee. However, CMAP was going to have to scale back on what was provided quite a bit because BPAC offered too much actual solution and CMAP was looking for suggestions on areas that were in need of attention. Once those areas are identified in the Plan, then the next step would be to either do Phase I in house or take to an engineering firm to assist with the feasibility study and address the needs in the key priorities areas. Additionally, J. O'Neal felt that the proposed project portion of the Plan should only have four projects listed and BPAC/Steering Committee submitted the six priorities that the committee voted on along with all the

areas that the committee identified. However, J. O'Neal did indicate they are looking at including all the areas identified as an appendix or attachment to the Plan.

- P. Szabo reported that he was approached by a parent at Patton school that was concerned about safety of pedestrians and cyclists that traveled along the multi-use path south of Patton School to Maude Ave and the sidewalk the travels along the east side of Harvard Ave that connects to Thomas Ave. The concern is that this travel path has a lot of traffic before and after school and the parent is concerned that kids riding their bikes will collide with the pedestrians walking and asked about increasing the size path and sidewalk along this travel route. P. Szabo education and outreach as the best immediate solution and that construction, if approved, would not be imminent. P. Szabo did measure the path and it was only seven feet wide. P. Szabo met with principal and explained that the current path was not up to current recommended IDOT standards for multi-use path and suggested Safe Routes to Schools as an avenue to fund the proposed improvements and also provided educational information. P. Szabo also suggested a usage count to determine users on the path and the sidewalk and the BPAC/Village would assist in the collection of data. P. Szabo is waiting to hear back from the principal.

OLD BUSINESS:

- P. Szabo introduced the discussion on the Bicycle Parking Ordinance. J. Juffa stated he reviewed B. Schwab's e-mail that was sent in June that provided the history of the Bike Parking Ordinance and the questions that the Ordinance Review Committee wanted answered by the BPAC before they would approve it going to the Planning Commission and wanted to know how the BPAC planned to respond. B. Schwab explained that M. Walczak had already started to answer the questions. J. Juffa suggested tabling the discussion until the information M. Walczak already gathered was made available and then the BPAC could begin to formulate a response. J. Juffa asked if the type of rack to be installed was part of the ordinance. P. Szabo stated he would like to officially change the BPAC recommendation to U-Shape racks with specific diameter of tubing and direction of the tubing and no longer recommend the wave racks that are currently being installed. J. Juffa stated there is a professional organization that recommends bike racks and J. Juffa recommend including a statement that the bike racks should be one as selected by the bike parking professional association. B. Schwab stated that the Village attorney did not want to enforce a specific type of rack and that was struck from the ordinance during Staff review. B. Schwab reminded the Commission members that the wave style bike rack was a recommendation made previously by this commission.
- P. Szabo provided signed waivers and the prizes from the Bike Arlington Ride. P. Szabo reported there were approximately 96 riders at this event. There were 30 prize recipients and P. Szabo will send an e-mail tomorrow to all winners. B. Schwab stated that last year not all prizes were picked up and some prizes are still sitting in the office even after they were contacted multiple times. P. Szabo will let winners know they have to pick up prizes by the next meeting, or they forfeit their prize. P. Szabo and J. Juffa received more feedback after this ride than ever before and they want more than just one ride. P. Szabo also received an e-mail from a member of the Special Events Commission that they are looking to partner with BPAC for a ride and think Autumn Harvest would be the perfect event for the route chosen for the library event. P. Szabo is hoping that since there were so many requests for multiple rides next year that can be accomplished with Special Events Commission hosting one and BPAC

hosting one. Next year P. Szabo would like to look into doing ride that is a tour of the schools and possibly include the school districts for an end of the school year bike ride as way to add another ride next year. However, P. Szabo is holding off in pursuing that avenue until he hears back from Special Events Commission. The library would also like to continue partnering with BPAC for rides. J. Juffa stated the library was a tremendous help at the check in.

NEW BUSINESS:

- J. Juffa presented a proposal on where to add bikeway signage to the existing bikeway route. J. Juffa prepared a document with pictures indicating the proposed signage and location including the following:
 - Campbell Street and Dwyer add right arrow (southbound) and left arrow (northbound) to existing sign
 - On Campbell add sign east and west of Dwyer
 - Two more signs at Westgate Shopping Center – possibly add “Welcome to Arlington Heights” when you enter Arlington Heights and “Goodbye” sign as you enter Rolling Meadows on opposite side.
 - Add southbound sign Kennicott Drive and Shenandoah Drive
 - Add straight and right arrow on Verde Drive south of Alleghany Drive
 - Add sign on Alleghany Drive east of Verde Drive
 - Add sign with straight and left arrow on Verde Drive north of Alleghany Drive.
 - Intersection Hintz and Kennicott needs signage in all directions
 - Add sign at Hintz and Ridge
 - Make signage in front of Public Works visible.
 - Signage on Wilke Rd are faded, but may be Rolling Meadows
 - Add signage along bike path in Northwest Community Hospital, or at a minimum, add signage to the entrance signs or stripe the bike path. J. Juffa explained that there is an area on the path you go off the path if you don’t make the turn you end up off the path and on the street in the wrong direction, so it needs to be signed because it can be confusing if this isn’t a regular route.
 - St. James and Salem the sign is faced in wrong direction.
 - North of Rand and east of Arlington Heights Road the existing bike routes are not signed at all.
 - Various locations with vegetation overgrowth along paths.J. Juffa to e-mail B. Schwab the requests and B. Schwab will forward the information to the Public Works Department.
- P. Szabo had a conversation with Charles Perkins, Director of Planning, and Director Perkins indicated that IDOT may be interested in reexamining the Schaefer Road crossing at Lake-Cook Rd. P. Szabo asked what the previous commission did with this project if the information could be forwarded. B. Schwab explained that the project location was at Wilke Rd and Lake-Cook Rd not Schaefer Rd and the project was fully designed and bid, but came the lowest bid came in over Engineer’s estimate and the Village did not have enough money to fund the project. Eighty percent of the project was funded by a CMAQ grant and twenty percent needed to be funded by the Village. The current standing is the project is shelved and a new funding source needs to be found because the grant that was previously awarded for this project expired. IDOT did not have a problem with the project; it was the Village match that stopped the project.

- P. Szabo also spoke with J. O’Neal about improvements along Hintz Road and asked what the BPAC’s feedback was on adding a pedestrian safeway via a median along Hintz Road at Bradford Road and Brighton Place and installing a sidepath along the north side of Hintz Road. J. O’Neal also thought a road diet along Windsor Road would be successful. J. O’Neal has seen road diets work on road with up to 20,000 ADT. Also adding a sharrow at the intersection at Windsor and Dryden. This route takes pedestrians and riders to Lake Arlington and would be relatively low cost improvements that would help make a major connection to the Village bike system.
- J. Daley inquired what the status of the vacancy on the BPAC was. P. Szabo stated he spoke with two people that had previously applied, but they declined to reapply.
- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, October 22 at 7:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

- **J. Juffa moved to adjourn the meeting. J. Daley seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM.**

APPROVED:

Chairman	Date
Secretary	Date