



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
September 9, 2014
7:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of July 21, 2014

IV. REPORTS

- A. Chairman's Report
- CMAP Bike Audit
 - Northwest Active Transportation Council Formation and Goals

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minutes of July 21, 2014

Department: Engineering

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes of July 21, 2014	Minutes

***Minutes of the Arlington Heights Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission
Monday, July 21, 2014 in the Hanson Room at Village Hall***

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Peter Szabo, Chairman
Alan Medsker
Mitchell D. Polonsky
Paul Danko

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Michael Walczak
Janet Harlow
James K. Daley

STAFF PRESENT:

Briget Schwab, Engineering Liaison, VAH

OTHERS PRESENT:

RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE:

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, P. Szabo called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

P. Danko moved for the approval of the Minutes of the Bicycle Advisory Commission Meeting May 12, 2014. A. Medsker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- P. Szabo requested that members of the BPAC read articles that discussed different methods for bike counts and other bike data. A. Medsker reported on a study conducted in New York which collected information regarding the use of helmets, age of riders, and direction of travel. The article emphasized prior to starting a count to take the time to put a form together that is organized and answers the why and what you are looking to find out. The study lasted one year and cost \$300,000.

P. Danko summarized a study out of Iowa that used a film instead of tubes to count bikes. The down side is that you cannot use the films on city streets and can only be done on multi-use paths.

M. Polonsky summarized two different studies one in Wyoming that used boy scouts as volunteers to count pedestrian and bicyclists and they were able to collect very specific information about the type of users on the path. Another study done in Massachusetts utilized infrared technology to count users cost about \$50,000 (\$2000 on each location).

They were unable to get specific user data from the study because it counted a stroller the same as a bicycle.

P. Szabo reported on a pneumatic tube count study done Overbanks, North Carolina. It cost \$26,500 and was calibrated to read only cyclists. The count was done every day for a week. The data was collected to see how much revenue bicycle was bringing to the town.

P. Szabo requested that the BPAC think about what data collection needs the Village of Arlington Heights has with regards to bicycling and walking. He also requested to have locations in mind along with why and what the Village could do with that information.

OLD BUSINESS:

- No discussion

NEW BUSINESS:

- B. Schwab asked for the BPAC guidance on the placement of the bike racks at the new bike pad located on Commuter Drive. The preferred placement was to place perpendicular to the street with enough space in between racks to comfortably walk with a bike.
- There was a brief discussion on the 2015 Family Bike Ride. BPAC decided the date should definitely coincide with the Active Transportation Alliance bike to work week which is typically in June. M. Polonsky stressed that planning needs to start earlier this year.
- B. Schwab reported that the Active Transportation Alliance requested the help in identifying and perceived or documented unsafe intersections or crossings. All locations should be e-mailed to B. Schwab no later than noon Wednesday, July 23, 2014.
- B. Schwab informed the BPAC that at the Northwest Municipal Conference Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee meeting held on June 17, 2014 there was discussion on the including bike racks in the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative. The details of the type of racks are still being worked out, but the initial idea was for pop-up or temporary racks for festivals and events.

BPAC members liked the idea. P. Szabo was happy to see that there was a bike rack at Frontier Days. However, moving the location from behind the American Legion to a more visible location would encourage more people to use it and know that it was there.

ADJOURNMENT:

- **M. Polonsky moved to adjourn the meeting. P. Danko seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:56 PM.**

APPROVED:

Chairman

Date

Secretary

Date