

**MINUTES OF THE WARRENVILLE BICYCLIST AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY
COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, February 2, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Lower Level Conference Room
At City Hall, 28W701 Stafford Place**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gard called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Alan Gard and Commissioners Barry Glicklich, Tom Jones, and Jerry Sugrue

Members Not Present: Commissioner Bob Duerr

Also Present: Staff Liaison Jennifer McMahon, citizen Dan Lambert, and Community Development Director Ron Mentzer

Also Not Present: Council Liaison Bill Weidner

C. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 5, 2010 MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes as submitted was made by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Sugrue. Motion passed unanimously.

D. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

E. STAFF REPORT

Staff Liaison McMahon reviewed the staff report, which included:

1. Comments from City engineer & Chair Gard on draft bike plan with updates from consulting engineers
2. February 25 Bicycle Planning Seminar, sponsored by League of Illinois Bicyclists.
3. Solicitation request for Bike Rodeo has been approved by City Council. Commissioner Sugrue is the representative.

F. BUSINESS OF MEETING

1. Review of Bike Plan

The map was reviewed and discussed. Comments:

- Trail along Ferry road extends further east

- Path into Herrick Lake Forest preserve should be shown from corner of Butterfield & Herrick
- Near SW corner of Butterfield & Route 59, road from Barkley with sidepath extending south of Butterfield had been discussed in sub-area plan
- Meadow Avenue bridge is not shown

Additional recommendations:

- Consider adding connectivity to Cerny Park at some point
- Keep track of St. James Farm and Cenacle Forest Preserve paths as the Forest Preserve plans take shape.

The previously submitted comments were reviewed and discussed. No additional comments were raised. General appreciation of the information provided in the plan was expressed.

2. Update on Brochure

Commissioner Glicklich met with Commissioner Monica Johnson of TAC. The intent is for an 8.5” x 13” map, based on ours, with identifiers of businesses, including restaurants, hotels, groceries, medical facilities, etc. (dropping banks from last year TAC brochure). Will update graphics on front (Warrenville trail photos with fall foliage provided by Katherine Lato), and hope to have a draft soon. City staff is working to provide map updates. Monica Johnson has received estimate from Minuteman Press, and is working with them to determine how to balance & coordinate layout work, funding based on new fiscal year, and availability of brochures prior to Bike Rodeo.

3. Review of City Calendar Suggestion

The City calendar has been created by Environmental Advisory Commission. There is discussion that this could be shared by other commissions. BPAC could provide bicycle-related themes for photos. Work would need to be done by October. There is interest, but with workload for this year, would prefer BPAC to target 2012 calendar. Commissioner Jones motioned that the Commission volunteer responsibility for the 2012 Warrenville City calendar. Motion seconded by Commissioner Glicklich. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Review of Action Items

Following table summarizes previously carried over action items

	<u>Item</u>	<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Updated Status</u>
1	Meeting with Forest Preserve	2010	Staff Liaison McMahon	On Hold for river cleanup issues

2	Bike Racks: placement of granted racks	Ongoing	Staff Liaison McMahan	Confirmation has been received from Forest Preserve that they can be placed at Warrenville Grove. Action item remains open pending installation.
3	Bike Racks: Follow up with Deborah Fagan on possible reduced rate bike rack for businesses – postpone letter?	Ongoing	Staff Liaison McMahan	Need to give Deborah Fagan more time on this
4	Work with Jill Brazelton on adult safety education program ideas	ongoing	Chair Gard	Possible synergy opportunities with Laurel Salvador as well
5	Review and prepare comments to sidewalk priority plan, to scope work involved	On hold until engineering plan complete	All Commissioners	
6	Review Draft Letters to Businesses. Strengthen the letter and provide an incentive or a request for action.	On-hold	Chair Gard	On hold pending item 3 above
7	Bicycle Corral Signage	Pending	Commissioner Duerr	
8	Review and provide comments by next meeting to Engineering Draft Bikeway Implementation Plan, Phase II	Jan 2010	All Commissioners	
9	Identify availability for staffing bike corral: Arbor Day, July 4, Summer Daze. Bike Rodeo will be managed as part of Bike Rodeo planning.	Jan 2010	All Commissioners	Citizen Lambert has indicated availability. Commissioner Glicklich and Liaison McMahan can work on Arbor Day at Summerlakes Park. Chair Gard can work Summer Daze. May need a

				subcommittee to address this need. Could solicit bike rodeo volunteers for other dates. Need to coordinate, identify checklists.
10	Staff Liaison Jennifer McMahon will work with City risk management pool for waiver for bike corral.	March 2010	Staff Liaison McMahon	
11	Contact Downers Grove Bicycle Club re: Bike Corral experience	March 2010	Chair Gard	
12	Review 4th of July Committee request for Commissioners to be Parade Marshals at the children's bike parade	February 2010	All Commissioners	Declined due to lack of availability.
13	Work with Monica Johnson & develop brochure with map, events, destinations	February 2010	Council Liaison Weidner & Commissioner Glicklich	Progress reported above. Item left open until brochures complete.

5. Update on Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup – Ron Mentzer

Community Development Director Ron Mentzer provided an update on the IDOT Route 56 expansion project. The City has been working with them to provide feedback on the Project Development Report, in preparation for Phase II design drawings. Responses were incorporated into the full Project Development Report, though the City did not receive a copy until a month ago. Final engineering drawings have been under development since last summer. Warrenville City Council issued a letter in September to the State identifying issues in their Phase I response. At that point, with Federal stimulus funds, the State pushed forward with developing final engineering by April, 2010. In November, another letter was issued by the City to the State highlighting issues with 75% final engineering drawing and requesting information the City had not received. Response letters from the State have not been received to either letter from the City. Mayor Brummel has been working with District One Chief Engineer Diane O'Keefe for a dialog, and a meeting was held on January 19, to address outstanding issues.

The three-hour meeting was productive, and the timing on the project has been clarified. Ultimately, Diane O’Keefe played a key role and progress was made with respect to concerns on the Route 56/Batavia Road intersection (place of refuge). Commitments were not made, but they will consider including this on the west leg (current bike trail crossing) as well as the east leg (per current plan). A side-path will be provided along the north side of Butterfield road from Blackwell Spur to Barkley (with a small segment of road by Home) for which will use the east leg crossing. The City asked for a narrowing of lanes from 12 foot lanes to 11 foot lanes, and IDOT agreed that it could be pursued, pending Federal Government approval (meeting scheduled February 10). A mid-block signalized pedestrian crossing was discussed for the area near Williams or Twin Pines Drive. The State was adamant in opposition to it, ostensibly for safety concerns, though traffic flow appears to be a significant driving factor. Approval would require pedestrian traffic warrants, with a high threshold (average traffic, rather than peak) unlikely to be met in a suburban venue. Discussion of wider divider, for future crossing if approved, was discussed. Countdown crossings at all four corners of Route 59 & Route 56 will be provided.

Rockwell may be converted to ninety-degree meet with Butterfield, and Prairie Path relocated to the stop line with Route 56. The State would provide a small amount of funding for the Prairie Path relocation

If further options need be pursued (e.g. for place of refuge on west leg), legislative support may be needed to escalate discussions.

IDOT is targeting start of construction for this summer. Substantial completion (lanes open to traffic) is targeted by end of construction season 2011. Final completion is targeted for 2012.

When details on City construction plans to be performed in conjunction with the Route 56 expansion are nearing presentation to City Council, they will be provided to BPAC for feedback and statement of support prior to presentation to the Council.

G. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

None.

H. ADJOURN

Commissioner Jones motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Glicklich. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

SUMMARY OF NEW ACTION ITEMS.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>
Inform 4 th of July Committee that it was an honor to be nominated, but	Mar 2010	Staff Liaison McMahon

that due to availability, we must decline the offer for Commissioners to be Parade Marshals at the children's bike parade		
Follow up on letter to League of American Bicyclists	Mar 2010	Staff Liaison McMahon

See prior action items as carry-over action items.

Submitted By:

Commissioner Glicklich