

BIKEWAYS AND WALKWAYS COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes – July 12, 2016 at 12:00 PM
Courtyard Conference Room

Member Attendance:

Vacant (Chair)
Paul Hart (Vice Chair)
Ken Behymer – Absent
Chip Dennerlein
Larry Turpen – Absent
Cliff Kuhlman
Mark Lansing
Leslie Orr
Mark Acosta - Absent
Dana Christensen

City/Staff/Council Liaisons:

Fred Saunders (PCD Senior Planner)
Rob Brandes (JoCo Public Works) – Absent
Dan Dorrell (ODOT)
Valerie Lovelace (City Council)
Keith Heck (County Commissioner) - Absent

Guests:

I. Business – Continuing

A. Approval of Minutes – No Quorum for June

B. Allen Creek Road Design discussion

- The first part of this discussion happened prior to having a quorum.

C. Updates From Staff/Liaison and questions for Staff/Liaison

1. City

- The repairs on Allen Creek Trail are complete. The City removed some Cottonwood trees and repaired the rough spots in the trail.
- The City has advertised for the completion of the Fruitdale Creek Trail between Fruitdale Drive and Hamilton Lane. They will be able to repair one of the bridges and retrofit it to work for their needs and save a considerable amount of money. This will complete the loop from Rogue River Hwy to Cloverlawn Drive.
- The Allen Creek project is two or three years out but Pansy Lane has already begun. The City is going to pitch in to get a video activated signal rather than a traffic loop.
- The committee discussed the prohibitive cost of the roundabouts on the Allen Creek project. There really isn't any specific party responsible or to blame for this.
- The right of way acquisitions will likely take about a year to move forward with Allen Creek Project

2. County

- The committee would like it to be noted in the minutes that the Merlin-Galice area and the Azalea area are heavily littered with glass to discuss with Rob at the next meeting.

3. ODOT

- The Caveman Bridge project will be moving forward next summer and will be a 14 month project. ODOT will be putting in new railings that are crash worthy.
- All of the parties involved are agreeable to the requirements of the project.
- ODOT will be putting in new RFBs on 6th and 7th Street.
- They wanted to have a bike lane all the way to Park Street but there just isn't enough room. The plan is to extend an 8in line and put sharrows on the side of the road to try to accommodate the bicyclists.

II. Business – New

- The committee let Fred know that the area where Hawthorn connects to Hillcrest in front of the tennis courts has no pedestrian area. Fred will look into striping crosswalks. He also let the committee know that sidewalks for additional pedestrian access will come as further development comes into the area.
- There is a possibility of having the next bike rodeo in October at Home Depot.
- The committee had a discussion on the Bike route from Central Point to Grants Pass. There is about two miles between Grants Pass and Rogue River that needs to be completed. The committee discussed the possibilities of having a route on Rogue River Hwy.
- The committee discussed the possibility of putting trails on irrigation properties. Fred let them know that they have tried in areas in the past without any luck.
- Paul let the committee know that there is one definite vacancy in the committee. He has reapplied and the city is advertising for vacancies. If any committee members know of anyone interested please have them apply. Fred will request an update from Admin on the status of everyone's terms.
- The tentative date for the bike rodeo is October 8th. The last bike rodeo went very well.
- Fred and the committee would like to thank Valerie for being the Council liaison and attending on a regular basis.

MOTION/VOTE

Committee Member Lansing moved and Committee Member Kuhlman seconded the motion to appoint committee member Hart as chair. The vote resulted as follows: "AYES": Committee Members Hart, Kuhlman, Lansing, Christensen, and Orr. "NAYS": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Committee Members Behymer, Dennerlein, Turpen, and Acosta. The motion passed.

MOTION/VOTE

Committee Member Hart moved and Committee Member Kuhlman seconded the motion to appoint committee members Orr and Christensen as Co-Vice Chairs. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Committee Members Hart, Kuhlman, Lansing, Christensen, and Orr. “NAYS”: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Committee Members Behymer, Dennerlein, Turpen, and Acosta. The motion passed.

Next meeting date: August 9, 2016 at 12:00 pm in the Courtyard Conference Room

These minutes were prepared by Carlie Paulsen, Administration Department, City of Grants Pass.