

**EAU CLAIRE
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting of August 21, 2018

The meeting was chaired by Catherine Lee in the Chippewa Room of the L. E. Phillips Memorial Public Library and called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Catherine Lee, Scott Kmetz, Brian Jenquine, Ann Francis, Andy Becker, Carl Mothes

Members Absent: Aaron Salmon, Kirk Jansen, Eric Nelson

Staff Present: Dave Solberg, Brandon Dohms, Pat Ivory

Visitors Present: Dick Johnston

Minutes. The minutes from the July 17, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

1. Update from Eau Claire Police Department. Brandon Dohms, from the Eau Claire Police Department provided the quarterly update regarding pedestrian and bicycle incidents within the City. Brandon discussed two bicycle-related crashes that had occurred during the second quarter of the year. One was on April 20th and the second was on May 26th. There were no pedestrian incidents to report.

2. Update of Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan . Pat Ivory provided information related to the update of the 2010 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. Pat noted that the update of the plan was presented to the Committee in March and April and at that time additional maps needed to be added. In addition, staff had received comments from the Committee, Plan Commission, and general public that had not been added to the draft. Pat indicated that the majority of those comments and suggestions had been incorporated into the draft. Pat discussed several of the modifications since March with the Committee.

Pat noted that he would be presenting the plan to the Waterways and Parks Commission in September. Public hearings with the Plan Commission and City Council would tentatively be in early October. The Committee thanked Pat for the updates and work on the plan.

The Commission also discussed one of the regional routes that follows Menomonie Street both in the City and in the Town of Union. Pat noted that the draft Tri-county bicycle and pedestrian plan may propose to delete this route. Committee members generally indicated that the route provides a good connection to Cameron Street and although the route has some issues, it is still a good route for experienced bicyclists. Committee members indicated that

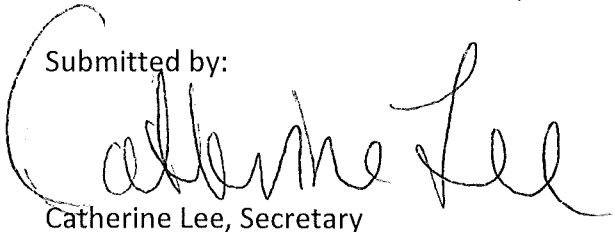
they would look at the route in more detail and possibly bicycle on it in order to review the concerns of the Tri-county planning committee.

3. Other items.

- a) **CIP Projects.** Dave Solberg updated the Committee on the status of the street reconstruction projects.
- b) **Bicycle Corrals.** Pat noted that another bicycle corral had been installed in the 600 block of Graham Avenue. Another is planned for the 300 block of Water Street.
- c) **Safe Routes to School Inserts.** Catherine Lee reviewed the SRTS informational flyers that will be distributed during "Sign-in Day" at each of the schools. Kirk and Catherine worked to finalize the design and layout and the School District assisted in the printing.
- d) **UWEC Meets EC.** Catherine Lee discussed the UWEC meets EC event that is scheduled for September 7th at Phoenix Park. Plans are to sponsor a booth to provide bicycle and pedestrian safety information as part of the event. Catherine asked Committee members if they could volunteer to assist.
- e) **Walk Your Wheels Campaign.** Dave Solberg and Pat Ivory discussed the "Walk Your Wheels" campaign that focuses on bicycle safety in the Downtown and Water Street area where bicycling on sidewalks is prohibited. Signage will be installed in the next few weeks to identify those sidewalks where bicycling is prohibited. Pat added that Leah Ness is working with the Police Department on an educational video related to the program and is looking for volunteers to assist in the production of the video. Those interested should contact Leah or Pat.
- f) **Future Agenda Items.** Items mentioned included: Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, the bicycle friendly business program, the State Street renovation project, and walk your wheels program.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Submitted by:



Catherine Lee, Secretary