



Village of Bartlett
Bike and Run Committee Minutes
September 27, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Camerer called the regular meeting of the Bike and Run Committee to order at 3:00 PM in the Bartlett Municipal Center Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chairman Camerer, B. Hendricks and J. Goetz

ABSENT: D. Palmer and J. Stacy

ALSO PRESENT: J. Plonczynski, K. Stone, T. Isham, D. Dinges, K. O'Brien and M. Decker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2018 meeting.

Motioned by: B. Hendricks

Seconded by: J. Goetz

Roll call

Ayes: Chairman Camerer, J. Goetz and B. Hendricks

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried.



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OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

BIKE PATH MAINTENANCE UPDATE

D. Dinges stated the pipeline path that runs down south to Struckman was done by Public Works this year and it turned out pretty good. He is hoping to complete more in the future. Next year's project that will be proposed in the next capital program is Wallace Court, which leads to Centennial School, which will most likely be done by a contractor being the Village equipment will not fit in such a small area. Also, the Com Ed right of way, which is the large path, will take several years to complete. This will be worked on in sections. **J. Goetz** asked if the budget for next year is the same as this year, \$20,000 and then \$20,000 from the Park District. **D. Dinges** stated yes that's the proposed plan. To give everyone an idea of the cost, the path that was done on Struckman was 1400 feet and 8 feet wide was \$7,500.00 in asphalt. There are some funds left but now it's all about timing. However, the Park District needed to use their funds for other things other than the paths. **D. Dinges** stated he wanted to look at seal coating and treatment of the paths.

DUPAGE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT UPDATE

M. Decker stated he didn't have any updates since the last meeting and is still waiting on the results from the endangered bumble bee study. **J. Goetz** asked if the study has started. **M. Decker** stated the study has started but they are waiting on the data to be collected.

PARK DISTRICT UPDATE

B. Hendricks asked what the Park District input will be in the bicycling interest. **K. O'Brien** stated overall connecting/maintaining trails and making S. Bartlett Road path a priority. **D. Dinges** stated with the path on S. Bartlett, there is a license agreement with the Forest Preserve that expired a few years ago. Currently the Village is working on a draft to do a 99 year easement agreement with the Forest Preserve near the horse farm. **D. Dinges** stated that path will be expensive. It's not wide but it has slopes, and to make it ADA compliant will be very challenging. **B. Hendricks** stated it's a highly used path, which is in need of repairs.

GRANT UPDATE

INVEST IN COOK GRANT

T. Isham stated Bartlett has been denied the Invest Cook Grant for this year, with most of the funding going to the City of Chicago. However, Bartlett will apply again next year. **M. Camerer** asked if the path in front of the Village Church will be completed next year. **J. Plonczynski** stated no we were denied for the construction. **D. Dinges** stated this item will be brought up to the Board as a capital project whether we apply for grants or another funding source. **M. Camerer** stated he thought that the plan was to correct the swale, and all that was taken care of was the engineering part? **J. Plonczynski** stated it will be designed but no there won't be any money to build it. **T. Isham** stated it will be shovel ready but not funded. **J. Goetz** asked what the estimated construction cost is. **T. Isham** stated about \$400,000 with the bike path and the new bio swales.



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IDNR GRANT

T. Isham stated a grant was submitted to State Representative Winger's office for the IDNR Bike Path links that we received a grant for in the past but the funds are not being released. He was unsure when he will hear back. **J. Plonczynski** stated every so often a State Representative will call and ask if the Village has any shovel ready projects, because sometimes there is money available. The IDNR grant was actually bid out but the State pulled the funding and it was shovel ready. **J. Goetz** asked if this was the original plan to connect Lakewood Mill to the State Park. **J. Plonczynski** stated yes Lakewood Mill and on the west side connect to Koehler Field, it's a dual connection, which we received money for in 2014.

TRAIN STATION BIKE SHELTER/RACKS

T. Isham stated this is group project with multiple different communities. During the Phase 1 and 2 meeting with IDOT, it was decided that the local letting will be with Elmhurst, being they were the only one to front the money and we would pay them back. **J. Plonczynski** stated Elmhurst will buy all the racks, Public Works will pick them up and install them in the spring. It's a matter of getting the funding to the company. Bartlett is getting 11 racks and 1 shelter.

RTA GRANT

T. Isham stated this is called RTA Access to Transit available for any town that has a TOD Plan to help implement pedestrian and commuter movement. Bartlett had 2 submittals, one being the bike path on West Bartlett Road by the Village Church which the RTA had 2 letters of support for when we applied for Invest in Cook, hoping it gets awarded. The second was for pedestrian gates at the train station as well as all the cross walks to be ADA compliant with curb cuts, high visibility crosswalks and signage. The funds would be awarded to the few municipalities with projects and all the projects would be put into a CMAP grant application. If that gets awarded the split from that gets awarded 80/20, but RTA would cover half of the local share. The Village would really be paying 10% instead of 20%. **J. Plonczynski** stated what a great job **T. Isham** does in tracking down the grants and keeping everyone updated.

Continued Discussion regarding adding on-street bike routes to the Bike Path Map

J. Plonczynski stated Staff did an analysis as to what routes we are hoping to sign. Staff wanted to get the Committee's opinion for designating which streets are bike routes. This would be more cost effective than putting in bike lanes, doesn't impact the parking, doesn't dedicate the road surface to bike lanes, but still provides the same connectivity from one point of a bike path to another. (Map was shown on screen with recommendations) **J. Goetz** stated he liked what he saw but had additional suggestions. Munger Road, Stearns to Smith Road. The three foot sign north of Forest Preserve Drive, tack a bike route sign up there. Stearns, Munger, Smith to Powis Road the whole loop should be a bike route with a sign. **B. Hendricks** asked if he went down a suggested bike route would he be any safer than going down a road that didn't have a bike route sign. Is that for the drivers to know that there are bikers out there, what are the Bike Route signs for?

J. Plonczynski stated for drivers to know that there may be bikers more frequently on a particular road, also for bikers to know it's a designated route, ideally tying into existing paths. It's more cost effective to do this than build a path or bike lanes. **B. Hendricks** stated he understands that but to bike on West Bartlett Road by Western Avenue a very dangerous area for cars and bicyclists. **J. Plonczynski** stated it



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can be taken off north of W. Bartlett if it's that bad. It's a heavily travelled area with people turning left to avoid the downtown traffic signals. **B. Hendricks** stated it's a good idea to take it off for now until something else could be figured out. **K. Stone** stated Bike Route signs should tell you this is the way to point A, B or C; sharing the road is different signage.

J. Goetz stated a couple of meetings ago he asked about the North Central DuPage Regional signage, which seemed well received. Is this something that still can be considered to mark the actual path? It's marked really well through Mallard Lake, east through Bloomingdale, Roselle into Schaumburg. However, when going westbound out of Mallard Lake and once you get to Stuckman you don't know where the North Central DuPage Regional Trail goes from there unless you know the area. **K. Stone** indicated she was getting the image from the Forest Preserve.

M. Camerer asked if Staff had any other comments or concerns. No one came forward.

M. Camerer asked if the Town Hall/Public Comment portion of the meeting be added after the approval of the meeting minutes in the next agenda.

M. Camerer asked if **Terry Witt** had any comments or questions he was welcome to speak for three minutes.

Terry Witt stated he heard there may be money left over to print new maps. **Terry** provided copies of Elgin's Areas Bicycle Map and his suggested ratings for Bartlett roads for bicycling. (Inaudible) A woman is so fearful of a head on collision she honks her horn all the way up the hill so someone knows she is coming. No passing zone (Inaudible) sharing the road (Inaudible) Speed limit (Inaudible) cars will be passing us. If signs are put up so people can see (Inaudible) Western and West Bartlett Road people are zooming in at 35 mph, to get across the tracks and out of town. Crosswalk signs on Devon Avenue, no one expecting people to come out of there (Inaudible). Putting in a trail to the State Park. It's easier to St. Charles or South Elgin than to Bartlett.

M. Camerer stated this is Jim's last meeting and how much everyone has appreciated his input, knowledge and experience and he will be sorely missed. Best wishes in his retirement.

J. Plonczynski thanked everyone and stated he would keep in touch.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motioned by: J. Goetz

Seconded by: B. Hendricks

All in favor.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50.

NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 27, 2018