



Village of Bartlett  
Bike and Run Committee Minutes  
March 23, 2023

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Adam Hopkins called the regular meeting of the Bike and Run Committee to order at 3:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: A. Hopkins, J. Goetz, D. Palmer, B. Krall, J. Doherty

Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT: K. Stone, D. Harper, T. Isham, K. O'Brien,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2023 meeting.

Motioned by: D. Palmer

Seconded by: J. Goetz

ROLL CALL

Ayes: A. Hopkins, J. Goetz, D. Palmer, B. Krall

Nays: None

Abstain: J. Doherty

Motion carried.



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Village Clerk, **Lorna Giless** swore in the new committee member, **Jay Doherty**. **Chairman A. Hopkins** welcomed the new committee member **Jay Doherty** to the Bike and Run Committee and thanked him for serving.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Chairman A. Hopkins** asked if there were any comments from the public. **Terry Witt**, 471 S. Western, Bartlett, came forward and stated that for the Bike Friendly Community application, we could develop more league cycling instructors. That is an important part of the program. Within the Village, we could sponsor a street safe and smart cycling class, which is one step toward becoming a cycling instructor. The police bike patrol may also want to participate in that. It is a one-day program offered by the League of American Bicyclists. We can also offer the Bike Safety Quiz online and encourage bicycle-friendly businesses, which is also part of the program. Spin Doctor Cyclewerks is a Gold Level bicycle-friendly business and we are available to anybody who would like to do that. There are a lot of options in that program for us to take advantage of. The month of May is Bike Month and there are many programs that we could promote during bike month. The more that we take advantage of those bike programs, the better our chances are at becoming a Bike Friendly Community. I am also on a car-free crosswalks campaign because during the bike planning sessions, the mothers in those meetings stated that they want to protect the children. Every time I ride through an intersection, there is a car in the middle of the crosswalk that I have to go around. I expect that, but what about a child. A child does not think about that. The State of Illinois has a house bill to make 20 miles an hour the default speed limit. When I ride, I do not pass other bicyclists riding down Main Street. By slowing the cars down to 20 miles an hour that would put more bikes on the streets downtown and more people walking on the sidewalks downtown. We also have intergovernmental agreements that we can use to show that we are not just for Bartlett, but for the entire region. We can adopt a Vision Zero Action Plan and a Safe Systems Approach. We can commit to the Call to Action Campaign by the US Department of Transportation. There are other communities in the area that are Bike Friendly Communities including Schaumburg, Warrenville, Batavia, and Aurora. There are tons of organizations ready to help. All we have to do is ask.

**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS**

DUPAGE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT UPDATE

**K. Stone** stated that **J. Ortega** could not attend the meeting, but should have an update for the meeting in June.

PARK DISTRICT UPDATES

**K. O'Brien** stated that the bike path along S. Bartlett Road will go out to bid in April and will coincide with the project at the Community Park. Hopefully, that project will start in August with a completion date of early November or December. **J. Doherty** will there be an alternate route to get to the aquatic center during construction? **K. O'Brien** at this time, no, there will not, but we can discuss that with our contractor. **A. Hopkins** are there sidewalks or paths on the other side of the road that could be used for that? **K. O'Brien** the Aquatic Center will be closing after Labor Day so it should not impact operations during the summer, but if you are trying to get to the Community Center, we would not have an alternate route.



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BIKE PATH MAINTENANCE UPDATE

**T. Isham** since the last meeting there have not been many changes as far as maintenance during the winter. DuPage County has started to remove some of the trees along the path from the horse farm to the library and that will be resurfaced in early summer. **D. Palmer** will the Brewster Creek Business Park be repaved this summer? **T. Isham** yes, we are redoing the paths and roads with the developer. There will also be a crosswalk at Munger Road, Naperville Road and W. Bartlett Road. **J. Goetz** will there be crosswalk timers there? **K. Stone** yes, that is part of the plan. **J. Goetz** what is the update on the new residential development on W. Bartlett Road and Route 59 with the trail going under Route 59? **K. Stone** the developer's engineer has submitted plans to IDOT for the underpass that runs parallel with Metra. They are working on the timing of that. It is just a matter of getting the details ironed out and the permits issued. **D. Palmer** do they need to get permission from the railroad? **K. Stone** no, because that part is not going on the railroad right of way. It is within IDOT's jurisdiction. **J. Goetz** they have already dug retention basins and filled them. Will the bike paths be done at the same time as the roads? **T. Isham** they put the ponds in, so in the next phase they will put in the flared in section so that rainwater and groundwater will be able to get out and then the next phase will be the underground utilities and grading. There is still a ways to go before roads are put in. **D. Palmer** will that be months or a year? **K. Stone** the Public Improvement Completion Agreement has an end date of 2026 to have all public improvements completed. They have until 2026 to get the bike paths installed. Hopefully, it will be sooner. We just issued the full site development permit last week. We have asked them to submit their builders plans so that when their permit applications do come in, we can review them quickly. They has a very aggressive timeframe. This builder is different. They start building the homes before they are under contract. **A. Hopkins** how will the bike path connect? **K. Stone** it is going to meander through the open space lot that is just wooded right now. It will go east of the pond and then connect on W. Bartlett Road close to the Maryville access drive. We would put striping and signs there. **J. Goetz** the crosswalk at Forest Preserve Drive and Munger Road is a high-speed area even though it is posted 35 miles an hour. Could we add flashers or a stop sign there? **D. Palmer** I can tell you from my policing days that you will not get a stop sign there. Stop signs are to stop side streets from main streets. You would have to have 800 cars an hour for 8 hours coming off of Forest Preserve Drive to get a stop sign. The cars on Forest Preserve Drive under the Illinois Vehicle Code are cars that have to yield. **J. Goetz** there is already a stop sign at Forest Preserve Drive where it T-bones into Munger Road. I am talking about a stop sign on Munger Road. Is that possible? **D. Palmer** no, it is based on traffic volumes. A stop sign is not meant to slow traffic. A stop sign is meant to get traffic out. If you put an illegal stop sign somewhere it does not accomplish what you are looking for. In fact, it increases your liability because people expect the cars to stop and if they miss it, you are on the hook. **A. Hopkins** can we look at what our options are there? **K. Stone** we will work with the Police Department and look at some options for that. We have had conversations with the Police Department about possibly lowering the speed limit on Munger Road. Public Works does work with the Police Department, especially since there is a crossing now. We wanted to wait until it got warmer to see how many people are using that. That is when we can do the studies. **J. Goetz** Munger Road from Army Trail Road to Stearns Road has a 35 mile an hour speed limit and a 45 mile an hour speed limit. North of the tracks it is 35 and south of Forest Preserve Drive it is 45 miles an hour. **K. Stone** we have talked about figuring out what the right speed limit is so that it is uniform within the Village. **D. Palmer** there are standards for setting the safe speed based on the 85th percentile of what normal traffic travels. There are a lot of people that believe changing the speed limit changes behavior, but it does not, it only creates more violators. The idea of traffic enforcement is to get people to abide by the speed limit when there is no enforcement and that is the 85th percentile. Most people drive at



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a safe speed and 15 percent do not. **T. Isham** we will be doing work on that road. There is a culvert that is failing that will be replaced soon and that will shut down the road for a time and because we have additional right-of-way, we are also going to be clearing the shoulders and the tree line. **A. Hopkins** how long will the road be closed there while you are doing that project? **T. Isham** it should be a week to 2 weeks that it will be closed.

#### BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY DISCUSSION

**D. Harper** in our January meeting, we introduced the idea of applying for the Bicycle Friendly Community designation to the League of American Cyclists and got enthusiastic support for that. We have created a community profile with the League of American Cyclists. We are working through the application. There are 6 parts to the application; community profile, engineering, education, evaluation and planning, and equity and accessibility. As of this week, we have completed the community profile section. We have been focusing on what we have in-house. We are working on the engineering section and the evaluation and planning sections which are our policies including complete streets, maintenance schedules, connectivity analysis and the establishment of the Bicycle Advisory Committee. These are all going into the applications process. The next step has more to do with working with community programs. Terry Witt is going to be a great asset moving forward with that. I have reached out to him and Ride Illinois. They have also responded and are enthusiastic and excited to work with us. We also need to reach out to the School District and the Park District to see if they have any bike education programs and get them involved to see what programs are in place and what we can move forward with adding. In the summer meeting we can see what we would like to do next. The application window is this August.

**K. Stone** congratulated **J. Goetz** for being a committee member for 5 years and the committee thanked him for his service.

**A. Hopkins** asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motioned by: **A. Hopkins**

Seconded by: **B. Krall**

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.