



**Village of Bartlett
Bike and Run Committee Minutes
June 30, 2016**

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, T. Witt, D. Palmer, J. Stacy and B. Hendricks (3:02pm)

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: T. Isham, B. Allen, A. Zubko, J. Plonczynski and K. Stone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2016 meeting.

Motioned by: T. Witt

Seconded by: D. Palmer

D. Palmer wanted to clarify in the minutes on page 3 to make sure everyone understood he was not questioning on why some paths are plowed and others are not but wanted more information like a list of ownership of pathways with regards to plowing. He did not request to modify the minutes. The maintenance will be discussed later in the meeting.

Motion carried.

REVIEW OF NACTO'S URBAN BIKEWAY DESIGN GUIDE WORKSHOP

K. Stone gave an overview of the workshop that she attended in downtown Chicago in May. She attached the PowerPoint slides that were discussed in the packet. The main points she took away from the seminar were some of the bike lane designs, signs and markings recommended by NACTO. She is of the opinion we will incorporate some of these in the Village's bike plan in the future. Kristy also answered questions on long range planning for designs of paths and roadway markings. There was a brief discussion if liability was discussed at the conference and Kristy stated it was minimally. J. Plonczynski stated this was included more for information and to help aid in our plan if one is written in the future.

REVIEW OF THE BICYCLE PLAN FOR WAYNE TOWNSHIP

Chairman Camerer stated a copy of the Wayne Township Bicycle Plan was included in the packet. Chairman Camerer is of the opinion after reviewing the Wayne Township Plan there are some good ideas and input from the community and believes our own personal direction should look at what we can afford to do first and prioritize as most items will probably fall under long range like maintenance first, we need to spend money wisely, if any is allocated to pathways. J. Plonczynski wanted to mention a few things from staff's prospective: as Chairman Camerer stated prioritizing things the Village needs to do for its bike paths are key for any implementation of the plan and right now there is no budget yet. There are some capital improvements in the Wayne Township Plan that would fall with the Village so it would have to be in our budget in order to be implemented. He stated there would be no issue with endorsing the plan.

A motion was made to recommend approval of endorsing the Wayne Township Bicycle Plan.

Motioned by: T. Witt

Seconded by: B. Hendricks

Discussion: T. Witt wanted to bring up that not everything in the Township Plan costs money. T. Witt stated there is one item he would like have a little discussion on, Complete Streets Policy. T. Witt gave some information and informed the Committee on who has adopted a Complete Streets Policy already. He would like to see the Village of Bartlett do a Complete Streets Policy. T. Witt will bring it up more under new business. There was a brief discussion on the planning process and how to be in the process for all projects including road improvements. There was also a brief discussion on trial closures and signs notifying citizens of closures also about improving small sections of trails instead of a little of everything at once. Chairman Camerer stated since the Village of Bartlett is composed of other townships and not just Wayne Township we need to be cognoscente of what bike improvements need to be outside of Wayne Township even if we endorse this plan, we need to be aware of all the other areas that recommendations were not made of yet. He is of the opinion endorsing this does not mean we will do all the suggestions in the Plan but this plan definitely has merit. With no further discussion,

Roll call:

Ayes: T. Witt, B. Hendricks, J. Stacy, D. Palmer and Chairman Camerer

Nays: None

Motion carried.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE BIKE/PEDESTRIAN MAINTENANCE/PROJECTS

This next item is a work in progress, T. Isham, our intern in Administration and Public Works, has been working on bike ownership/maintenance. T. Isham stated he met with the Park District to discuss the ownership versus the maintenance of each pathway. With regards to resurfacing it's typically a split, the Village will typically allocate \$10,000 and the District will allocate \$10,000 but the two entities are not always working on the same areas of pathway so that is what they're working on now, so everyone can get more for their money and possibly even raising that budget. T. Isham is still working on who mows and plows each bike path as those were more hand shake agreements in the past. It is coming along but slowly. J. Plonczynski stated the \$10,000 a year is what it has always been but there is nothing in writing. The Park District typically maintains most of the paths since the Village builds the paths. A formal agreement and budget is probably the best way to go for the future. T. Isham also stated the entities discussed which pathways to resurface first and start prioritizing the pathways. The Committee looks forward to this being completed.

A member of the audience, Tom Steele, spoke on path maintenance and new paths. B. Allen explained the path repairs and ranking system and there was a discussion among the members and staff with regards to maintenance and what goes into it. Tom Steele stated he would like to see a bike trail along County Farm Road as it's heavily used. The Commission stated most of that road is the DuPage County's jurisdiction and Hanover Park however it's a great suggestion. This is why determining ownership and maintenance is so important.

There was a brief discussion on Complete Street Compliance in proposed intersection improvements on Route 59 and staff thought CMAP did review those items.

J. Plonczynski stated this will be an ongoing item to discuss at each meeting.

The pathway by the Fire Station crossing S. Bartlett Road was discussed and the bike path along West Bartlett Road. J. Plonczynski stated the easiest way to get paths installed is to have the developer put it in during development.

STATUS REPORT ON KICK STAND CLASSIC BIKE RACE

J. Plonczynski gave a brief history on the bike race and what is currently being worked on. The Chippendale layout is no longer being looked at so the loop has been decided from Newport to Stearns Road. Staff is currently working with Active Transportation Alliance on banners and the layout of the festival after the race. The Committee talked about how the local businesses can get involved and how some have already been contacted. The Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works, Planning Department and Park District are already involved in the planning process. Everyone is excited about the event being held on September 25, 2016 and working hard to get everything put together. If you'd like to volunteer or need more information there is a website: kickstandclassic.org

There was discussion on the cost to the Village, J. Plonczynski stated it's about \$18,000 for the Village and Active Transportation Alliance is putting in the same amount.

Chairman Camerer would like to figure out a way to do a complimentary gesture or thank the Alliance Church in some way as they didn't need to postpone their services and shut down the church. He wants to recognize this in some way with maybe a free ride if interested or something the Village can do for them.

K. Stone had on display a mock-up of the banners that will be put up after the 4th of July along W. Bartlett Road.

T. Witt talked a little bit about National Night Out and invited the Committee to the bike ride that night over to the park.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

T. Witt wanted to talk about the Transit Oriented District (TOD) Plan and stated he would like to recommend to the Village Board like the Committee did for the Township to use it as a guideline when we design our Village Bike Plan. There is a lot of good stuff in the Cook County portion and they also recommend the Complete Streets Policy. They also talk about pedestrian safety, expanding bike parking in downtown and reducing the speed limit in the downtown area. D. Palmer stated he's not worried about speeding as much as he's worried about distracted drivers. T. Witt stated there are great ideas in the TOD Plan and wondered if he could motion a resolution supporting it? Chairman Camerer stated the Village Board Committee just saw a presentation on this recently but have not had time to review the lengthy document. The Board did forward the TOD Plan onto the Plan Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and Economic Development Commission to a Public Hearing that will be in July. Chairman Camerer thought it would be premature to recommend this plan and doesn't want to jump into it. The Board members have already received opposition to the Plan and would suggest putting it on the next agenda. D. Palmer talked a little bit about speed limits and how the federal standards come up with the speed limits in certain areas. J. Plonczynski talked about how the round table discussions incorporated the thoughts and ideas of the public into the TOD Plan and the Public Hearing is next. The Joint Committee will make a recommendation to the Village Board. J. Plonczynski will email out a link to the TOD Plan if the members are interested in looking at the Plan. A. Zubko stated the Public Hearing will be July 14th at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

J. Stacy asked about parking by Hawk Hollow and if parking on the street is where citizens are supposed to park? J. Plonczynski stated yes parking on the street is considered the Forest Preserve's parking lot. Chairman Camerer asked how hard it would be hard to put some parallel spots along Struckman? B. Allen stated he is sure it can be done, it's a matter of paint and checking with the Police Department. J. Plonczynski stated staff will discuss it with Public Works.

D. Palmer would like to discuss Complete Streets and support it. Chairman Camerer would like it on the next agenda. T. Witt had some handouts regarding Complete Streets. J. Plonczynski would like the Public Works director and a representative from the Police Department at the next meeting to discuss Complete Streets. T. Witt brought up some grant opportunities.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn

Motioned by: T. Witt

Seconded by: D. Palmer

Roll call:

Ayes: T. Witt, B. Hendricks, J. Stacy, D. Palmer and Chairman Camerer

Nays: None

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.