

Minutes

Pedestrian & Bikeways Committee

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8:00 a.m.

TMACOG Boardroom



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1. Welcome & Introductions

Ed O'Reilly called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of January Minutes

Dan Becker moved to approve the minutes. Terry Waltzer seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. New Business

a. 2018 Pedestrian Fatalities

Lance Dasher presented to the committee the locations of the 2018 pedestrian fatal crashes for the TMACOG transportation planning area. Over the last five years the TMACOG region has averaged 9 fatal crashes per year involving pedestrians. From 2009 to 2011 there were a total of 14 fatalities that were pedestrians, and from 2016 to 2018 there were a total of 28 fatalities that were pedestrians. Lance indicated that the trends with the fatalities with the contributing factor were spread over multiple reasons. The committee discussed the fatalities and would like to see more with the injury crashes to determine if more pedestrians are at fault, motorists are at fault, or in engineering improvements can be made a specific locations. Marc VonDeylen indicated that he could look into pedestrian crashes around pedestrian facilities.

b. Wabash Cannonball Corridor Coordinating Committee Resolution

Lance Dasher presented to the committee proposed updated Wabash Cannonball Corridor Coordinating Committee operating procedures that includes the Village of Montpelier and Williams County. Those two parties are looking to acquire the portions of the Wabash Cannonball trail within their respective jurisdictions. NORTA currently owns those portions of the trail.

A motion was Mike Young to approve the addition of the Village of Montpelier and Williams County to the Wabash Cannonball Corridor Coordinating Committee. The motion was seconded by Jamie Christian. The motion passed.

4. Old Business

a. On the Move: 2045 Transportation Plan – Update 2020

Lance Dasher provided the current 2045 plan non-motorized project list to the committee. Lance indicated that now is the time to change anything on the list. An overall request was made to add language to make acquiring rail corridors as they become abandoned to preserve the linear corridors. Another comment was made to maybe look into Jackman Rd as a crossing from Toledo into Bedford Twp.

b. 2019 Bike Month

Lance Dasher updated the committee on the latest Bike Month planning. The website will be updated shortly with the events.

c. US and State Bike Routes

Lance Dasher indicated that TMACOG was close on securing all resolutions necessary in our region to get US and State bike routes certified by AASHTO. TMACOG needed to receive a resolution from Lucas County. Lucas County has indicated that a resolution will be in front of the commissioners at the next meeting.

5. Member Initiatives Roundtable

Jenny Hansen informed the committee that Washington Local will be starting the process for a Safe Routes to School travel plan.

Terry Waltzer indicated that the MVA updated the committee on MVA events that will be coming this year.

Allen Gallant informed the committee that the Mosley Trail between Secor Metropark and Wiregrass Lake Metropark will formally open on April 13th at 10am.

Dan Becker announced that TAB has rolled out their new website, and TAB has elected new officers for the year.

Pat Squire indicated that the Ohio Bicycle Federation will be a presenting partner at the TMACOG Transportation Summit this year.

Jamie Christian announced that ToLEGO Bike Day will be on April 29th at 2:30pm at Middlegrounds Metropark.

Jim Izbinski announced that People for Bikes will be at Earnest Brewing on May 1st to provide a Brew ride to kick off Bike Month.

Rodney Shultz announced that the City of Oregon opened a new path between Pickle and Navarre. The next phase will be completed between Navarre and Starr.