

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 March Minutes

Mike Young moved to approve the minutes. Steve Spitler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. New Business

a. Bike Month 2019 Recap

Lance Dasher gave a debrief of Bike Month 2019. Lance indicated that there was a lot of press coverage and that despite the rainy month there were a lot of people that participated in the events. Jenny Hansen provided a update on TPS's Bike to School Day with the focus being on Harvard Elementary. Keith Webb indicated that there were over 150 people that participated in the 10th annual Ride of Silence in Toledo. Keith also mentioned that Findlay had their first Ride of Silence. Lance indicated that the Ride of Silence in Bowling Green had 65 participants.

b. Bike Month 2020

Lance Dasher brought to the committee a proposal to establish a subcommittee to create an event during Bike Month 2020. This event would be something along the lines of a street demonstration project or an open streets event. Austin Mack at TMACOG will be leading this effort, and Lance will set up the first meeting.

c. Transportation Alternatives Update

Lance Dasher announced that TMACOG is currently soliciting for Transportation Alternatives applications. TMACOG will have approximately \$2.5 million dollars available. Bike paths score very well with this source of funding.

4. Old Business

a. Active Transportation Academy

Lance Dasher reminded the committee that TMACOG will be hosting an active transportation training on June 27th from 12:00pm to 4:00pm. This training will be focused on complete streets implementation and community traffic calming programs. There will be another training this fall that will be focused on walk and bike audits. Lance provided a registration link to the committee.

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

Lance Dasher updated the committee on the 2045 plan process. Lance indicated that there will be a slight delay in the progress of the plan due to the person on staff leading the plan taking another

job. Lance informed the committee that he is currently setting up meetings with local jurisdictions to discuss their future plans with non-motorized projects.

5. Member Initiatives Roundtable

Jenny Hansen announced that Live Well Greater Toledo received both the non-infrastructure and infrastructure Safe Routes to School money for next year. Jenny also indicated that she will be working with Washington Local to develop a school travel plan.

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

Steve Spitler indicated that the official opening of the University Parks Trail extension will be happening soon.

Dan Becker announced that Bike to the Bay is this coming weekend (June 22nd), TAB has a Maumee River Ride on August 10th, and on July 4th and 5th he will be riding his bike to the Ohio Statehouse.

Keith Webb announced that there will be bike lanes on Sylvania Ave extended to Centennial Rd. Keith also announced that there are new Street Smarts booklets that have been printed courtesy of the Ohio Bicycle Federation.

Jamie Christian announced that ToleGO now has 953 memberships, and there have been a total of 1,535 trips logged with 2,657 miles of travel.

Ed O'Reilly brought up the idea of having a complete neighborhood policy.

Mike Young asked if TMACOG or someone could place graphics at the local BMVs to better educate people.