

**RIB MOUNTAIN PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**May 19, 2016**

Attendees: Chairman Andrea Larson, John Beatty, Curt Dettinger and Mark Clark. John Brauer, Brad Conklin and Dale Wisnewski were excused. Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter, Community Development Director Steve Kunst and Administrator Gaylene Rhoden were in attendance. Andrea Larson called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.

**Motion by Clark/Beatty to approve the April 19, 2016 the Bike/Pedestrian minutes. Questioned and carried.**

**REPORTS:**

Trillium Trail Update – Town Administrator Gaylene Rhoden reiterated the Town had received a first place rating with the MPO for trail grant funding, but waiting for the State of Wisconsin's decision. The trail project has been incorporated into the Town's borrowing note.

The road crew has installed a form of drainage by the 51/39 tunnel trail. The concrete for the new trail link by Dick's Sporting Goods has been completed. Scott Turner has received all but McDonalds' easement for the trail, which is due in large part working with their corporate office.

Gaylene informed the Committee the Town has been working with the Marathon County Sheriff's Department to develop on a contractual agreement for limited department services. The Town would like to work with the sheriff's department on a proactive approach. The Town will be working on a limited basis with them during the annual south side rummages sales. The Town will also have the department address areas of concern with speeders and crossing guard issues. Chairman Larson questioned if the reserved deputies could also be used on an educational purpose; such as educating the general public on bicycle regulations. Gaylene noted at this particular time reserve deputies would not serve in that capacity. After some discussion, it was suggested to contact Aaron Ruff for information on biking regulations that could be incorporated into the Town Beat.

Park Commission – Chairman Larson informed the group the Park Commission met last week. A topic of interest would be the potential 18 hole disk golf course on the Domtar Property.

Metro – John Beatty noted attendance at recent MPO meetings has been down. The group is seeking ways to revitalize their meetings. He mentioned May is bike month and bike to work week.

Granite Peak Updates – Gaylene Rhoden stated there has been no updates.

**Old Business –**

Preparation for Bike Rodeo – Mark Clark stated the rodeo date is set for June 21<sup>st</sup>. Mark has contacted the Bike Federation, but noted there have been some personnel changes and not sure if a member will be in attendance. He still needs to reach out to Michelle Armstrong's replacement at Aspirus. He expressed his concern about receiving additional helmets for the program. Gaylene suggested he should reach out to Arron Ruff for some recommendations.

Bike Racks – The group reviewed the John Beatty's letter to businesses requesting placement of bike racks.

Bike Route Signs – John Beatty stated that Scott Turner is in receipt of the map with proposed locations. Due to the crews' busy schedule, the signs will be installed in later June or July.

Kocourek Shelter – Gaylene Rhoden reported the site has been staked out and there will be enough space within the right-of-way for the construction of the shelter. Steve Kunst distributed the shelter design to members. Gaylene stated the MPO no longer has a fix-it station available which would require the Town to purchase one. She is inquiring with the remaining funds that were going to be donated to the Bike/Ped Committee from the Rib Mountain Business Association for bike racks could those funds be redirected towards the purchase of a fix-it station. The Committee inquired if the Town could pour the concrete slab would the MPO or Kocourek be willing to donate a station.

Bike Ordinances – There was nothing new to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

National Bike Challenge – John Beatty restated it was National Bike Month. He stated the MPO fell behind in promoting and getting information out on biking events for the month.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS: John Beatty asked if provisions had been made for crosswalks for the next phase of Rib Mountain Drive. Gaylene responded yes.

**Adjourn: Motion by Beatty/Clark to adjourn at 8:39 a.m. Questioned and carried.**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting date is June 16, 2016 at 7:30 a.m.

Submitted by  
Michelle Peter, Deputy Clerk