

RIB MOUNTAIN PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE
January 18, 2018

Attendees: Chairman Andrea Larson, John Beatty, John Brauer, and Mark Clark. Town Clerk Michelle Peter, Street Superintendent Scott Turner and Town Administrator Gaylene Rhoden were in attendance.

Minutes: **Motion by Beatty/Brauer to approve the December 7, 2017 minutes. Questioned and carried.**

Reports:

Park Commission – Chairman Larson reported the Commission reviewed promotional videos for Doecke and Rookery View parks. Scott Turner noted that in the future the videos could incorporate the trail system.

Metro – John Beatty stated he had no updates. He did provide the bridge counter results, but also noted the River Trail bridge counter wasn't working correctly so the numbers are not accurate.

Staff Reports – Administrator Rhoden introduced the Town's intern Nate Treadwell. Nate and Gaylene have resurrected the "adopt a trail" program. Wausau Fitness is still interested. Pursuing interested parties to participate. Mark Clark questioned if any of the big box stores would be interested. Gaylene stated she received word that Kocourek is still interested in constructing a shelter. The Town has received complaints of parking issues along a bus route. Street/Park Superintendent Turner said he has spoken with some the residents contributing to the situation.

Granite Peak Updates – No updates.

Trillium Trail – Scott Turner reported an informational meeting was recently held. About six residents appeared. They provided some good input. A suggestion made was to have some parking available at the end of Trillium for the trail walkers. Scott stated also received a request for trail safe salt for the pet walkers.

Old Business –

Bike Ordinance Updates by Intern - Scott stated he forwarded the bike ordinance to members for review. Mark Clark suggested two changes; pertaining to trail usage to incorporate "other non-motorized vehicles" and questioned what a "play vehicle was." John Beatty recommended some verbiage to be included about proper working braking equipment.

Motion by Clark/Beatty upon noted corrections, move forward to the Public Safety Committee for approval. Questioned and carried.

State Park Access – Chairman Larson noted at the May 17th meeting, the wording for the signage was "Public Access." The three noted locations were listed as East Begonia St, Mountain Ln and Chickadee Ln. Turner expressed concern about the correct wording for the signs and the placement of a sign in the Begonia area, as residents have expressed their

desire to prevent additional traffic to the area. **Motion by Beatty/Clark to send this request to the Public Safety Committee for their recommendation for public access at Mountain Ln, East Begonia St and Chickadee Ln. Questioned and carried.**

Bike Rack – No updates.

New Business -

May – Bike Month – Chairman Larson is seeking ideas from members to promote May as bike month. Members tossed around ideas from general public awareness to crosswalk safety issues. They requested an article be placed in the Town Beat, having more police presence and the possibility of partnering-up with law enforcement.

Review of Bike Prioritization List - Larson distributed out the current list. She asked member to review and bring back recommendations/ideas for the next meeting. It was suggested to add the connection of the Robin Ln and Granite Peak trail by the ponds. Turner stated he could reach out to REI for a conceptual plan for a connection point to Mountain Lane.

Report from Members – Chairman Larson expressed her desire to keep the lines of communications open while the Hall property is being developed so opportunities are not missed for bike/pedestrian facilities.

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

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting date is March 15, 2018 at 7:30 a.m.

Submitted by
Michelle Peter, Clerk