

RIB MOUNTAIN PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE
January 19, 2017

Attendees: Chairman Andrea Larson, John Brauer, John Beatty, and Mark Clark. Dale Wisnewski was excused. Curt Deininger was absent. Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter, Administrator Gaylene Rhoden and Street/Park Superintendent Scott Turner were in attendance.

Minutes:

Motion by Beatty/Clark to approve the December 15, 2016 minutes. Questioned and carried.

Chairman Larson introduced Paula Inger who is interested in joining the Committee. Welcome.

Reports:

Park Commission – Chairman Larson noted the Park Commission met Tuesday night. They are moving forward with the interpretive signage for the Doepke Nature Trail. Town Administrator Rhoden stated she would like to see an unavailing for the project. The project will not reach completion until late spring, early summer. Andrea informed the Committee of the resignation of Becky Paul who was the Summer Playground Director.

Metro – No updates. John Beatty noted the last MPO meeting was postponed.

Staff Reports – Street/Park Superintendent Turner stated the Town is currently in the preliminary phase of assessments. The project will go to bid in April. In addition to continuing sidewalks on the east of Rib Mountain Drive, there will an additional sidewalk on the west from Robin Lane to Oriole Lane. A large culvert by Oriole Ln has been replaced. The Trillium Trail project will out go for RFP's in spring.

Granite Peak Updates – Rhoden stated there was no additional news to pass along. There has been some discussion whether the State Park master plan is fully open or only the ski hill portion.

Old Business –

State Park Access – No updates.

Bike Tunnel Graffiti – Scott Turner stated that WisDOT actually maintains the 51/39 tunnel and would be the source of contact, if they would even want to address the issue. Committee recommended that Scott at least follow-up with WisDOT.

Bike Helmet Promotion – Administrator Rhoden presented a draft letter of introduction for local business owners. Members discussed having the coupon article available in the next Town Beat issue, the duration of the promotion and administration of the coupon. It was decided to have residents be required to pick-up the coupon at the town hall and it would run the month of May, which is bike month.

New Business –

Addition “Share the Road” Signs – Gaylene Rhoden stated she is working on the request.

Review of Priority List and Last Year’s Improvement – Chairman Larson distributed bike and pedestrian mapping along with a project prioritization list and asked members to review. Someone stated that the Days Inn has shown interest for the installation of a bike rack and may also rent out bicycles.

Reports from Members - John Beatty stated she is looking for someone/business to adopt a trail. She is unsure about the status of the 51/39 trail since the retirement of Tim Murphy.

Adjourn: Motion by Clark/Brauer to adjourn at 8:30 a.m. Questioned and carried.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting date is February 16, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.

Submitted by
Michelle Peter, Deputy Clerk