

**RIB MOUNTAIN PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**December 15, 2016**

Attendees: Chairman Andrea Larson, John Brauer, John Beatty, Dale Wisnewski and Mark Clark. Curt Deininger was excused. Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter, Administrator Gaylene Rhoden and Community Development Director Steve Kunst were in attendance.

Minutes:

**Motion by Beatty/Wisnewski to approve the September 15, 2016 minutes. Questioned and carried.**

**Reports:**

Park Commission – Chairman Larson noted the Park Commission met Tuesday night. The Committee reviewed two letters from applicants for a vacancy. Andrea suggested contacting the other individual to see if they would have an interest in joining this committee.

Metro – No updates. John Beatty noted the MPO was also having a low attendance issue. They invited all municipal employees to attend. Greater attendance at last meeting.

Staff Reports – Administrator Rhoden stated one of the Town's crossing guards was hit by a motorist at the intersection of Robin Ln and Rib Mountain Dr. She noted a report has been filed with the sheriff's department, which turned into a hit and run incident. Gaylene informed the Committee a consultant for Granite Peak stopped by the municipal center last week inquiring about the trail behind the Rib Mountain Inn. Gaylene also noted at last week's public hearing on the ski hill, the trail topic was mentioned to the public. A Committee member suggested mocking-up a map for future trails and inviting the consultant back for a meeting with the Committee. Administrator Rhoden spoke about the possible active senior center being developed at the far north end of the Town's site. A neighborhood meeting was held to get input. Traffic issues appeared to be the major concern. Staff members met with DOT representatives on the Trillium Trail project reading the layout and permitting issues. Street Superintendent Turner is seeking boardwalk accommodations to allow truck access for maintenance purposes.

Rib Mountain Drive Phase 2 – Rhoden informed the Bike/Ped Committee, currently utilities are being buried and land acquisitions are proceeding.

**Old Business –**

Bike Route Signs – Chairman Larson noted a majority of the signs have been installed.

Kocourek Shelter – No updates.

State Park Access – Andrea Larson reached out to the Friends of Rib Mountain but has not heard back. Will do a follow-up with the group. A Committee member suggested mapping out the State Park access points. Members discussed the possibility of installing access points to the State Park on the Town's right-of-way.

Bike Tunnel Graffiti – Mark Clark with a representative of the Chalk Fest. They expressed about the possibility of smudging of the chalk in the tunnel. They recommended using paint. The members asked if the Town could contact Marathon County Highway Department with this suggestion. Administrator Rhoden stated she would make a suggestion at the next MPO meeting.

***New Business –***

Bike Helmet Promotion – John Beatty has put together an adult bike helmet promotion encouraging adults to purchase and use helmets. In the next issue of the Town Beat, a \$10 coupon will be available for the purchase of an adult helmet at the following retail entities: Rib Mountain Cycles, Dunham's, Dick's Sport Goods and Wal-Mart. John will follow-up with the store managers to ensure they are on board with this project

Reports from Members - Administrator Rhoden noted the NCRPC approved the updating of the Town's Comprehensive Plan. John Beatty asked with the potential development of the Hall property would there be connecting point. The Committee would also like to acquire additional Share the Road Signs. It was suggested to contact Fast Signs in Town.

**Adjourn: Motion by Beatty/Clark to adjourn at 8:08 a.m. Questioned and carried.**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting date is January 19, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.

Submitted by  
Michelle Peter, Deputy Clerk