

RIB MOUNTAIN PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE
March 19, 2015

Attendees: Chairman Andrea Larson, Brad Conklin, John Beatty, John Brauer, Dale Wisnewski and Mark Clark. Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter and Administrator Gaylene Rhoden and Streets Superintendent Scott Turner were in attendance. Curt Dettinger was excused. Andrea Larson called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

Motion by Beatty/Clark to approve the February 19, 2015 minutes. Questioned and carried.

REPORTS:

Rib Mountain Dr Phase 1.5 & 2 - Streets Superintendent Turner reported that land appraisals and acquisitions are being conducted for Rib Mountain Drive Phase 1.5. Bidding for the project is scheduled to begin end of April or first part of May. The actual construction time frame is up in the air due to McDonalds request to delay. It's one of their busiest times of the year. Rib Mountain Drive Phase 2 project will be completed in 2017 however; surveying has started for the project. Scott stated the Doepke trail is making progress. The boardwalk has been installed, with a six foot width. Still aiming for a May 1st completion date.

Granite Peak Updates – Town officials meet with DNR representatives yesterday. The representatives stated that they are as vested in the project as the Town. The Town received good feedback from the meeting. This process will be a three phase endeavor; Inventory, Public Hearings and DNR Board Presentation.

Park Commission Report – Scott Turner noted the Park Commission recommended to the Town Board assistance in writing a WDNR grant application with MSA. Town Board approved their request for potential funding for Rookery Park. The enhancement would be great since it is a gateway into the community. Additional pet waste stations will be installed at the Wisconsin River Trail and Liberty Park.

MPO Report – John Beatty stated the Committee has been meeting with their consultant.

Lions County R Shelter Report – Scott stated he has been in touch with Bob Henning. The permit has been issued and construction could begin in the middle of May. Discussion was held on another Fix-It Station and where the best location would be. Since it appears that Mr. Kocourek is showing no interest in the project, committee members discussed the idea of installing one at the new Lions shelter.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bike Rodeo Enhancements: Mark Clark stated he has been in contact with Becky Paul who is very excited about program. She is proposing the week of June 22nd to show case the new platform. Only concern Mark expressed, what if a child was unable to bring a bike for various reasons. Could the Town ask for donations through the Rib Mountain Businesses? That leads to where would the bikes be stored. After further discussion, maybe a safety token could be awarded upon graduation.

Installation of Bike Racks in Rib Mountain: Committee members asked if the Town's intern Spencer could do an inventory of racks along Rib Mountain Drive and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

Update Town Ordinances Regarding Bike/Pedestrian Accommodations: Mark Clark provided comments on the ordinances. He pointed out there is some confusion on motorized vehicles (Segway's, electric scooter ie:) What is the correct definition of motorized vehicles,

clarification is needed. An item in the current ordinance that needs deletion is the issuance of bike licenses. Mark will provide an updated version.

Future Project Plans Prioritization List: No discussion

NEW BUSINESS:

Share the Road Signs: John Beatty requested the signs be placed around the Town. There is a need for caution in the location placement. It was recommended to have signs available at the next meeting.

Adjourn: Motion by Clark/Beatty to adjourn at 9:14 a.m. Questioned and carried.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting date is April 16, 2015 at 8.00 a.m.

Michelle Peter, Deputy Clerk