

**RIB MOUNTAIN PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**May 21, 2015**

Attendees: Chairman Andrea Larson, John Beatty, Dale Wisnewski, John Brauer and Mark Clark. Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter, Administrator Gaylene Rhoden and Community Development Director Steve Kunst were in attendance. Curt Dettinger and Brad Conklin were excused. Andrea Larson called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

**Motion by Clark/Beatty to approve the April 16, 2015 minutes with the noted correction. Questioned and carried.**

Community Development Director Steve Kunst was welcomed and introduced to committee members.

**REPORTS:**

Rib Mountain Dr Phase 1.5 & 2 – Town Administrator Rhoden stated that the Town Board approved the construction bids for Rib Mountain Drive Phase 1.5. Bids however, came in higher than expected due to the type of road construction project. Some of the utility poles have been removed along the drive. Street Superintendent Turner has held one pre-construction meeting with property owners on Phase 2. Another meeting will be scheduled later this summer. The Town went out for a borrowing note. Due to several projects on the borrowing note, the debt service will be going up.

Granite Peak Updates – Chairman Larson announced she had signed up on the DNR's website for notifications. She commented on how easy it was. Administrator Rhoden stated she had no additional updates.

Doepke Trail Ribbon Cutting – A small ribbon cutting ceremony will be held on May 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00.

**Park Commission Report –**

Park Commission - Andrea Larson stated the Park Commission has applied for a Stewardship Grant for Rookery View Park. The grant application has been submitted. It is a 50/50 grant application.

MPO Report – John Beatty stated MPO's master plan is in the final stages and should be forthcoming.

Lions County R Shelter Report – John Brauer informed the members he forwarded an e-mail to Bob Henning about some structural and site changes on the shelter. He stated that all changes go before the Loin Club members for review which can hinder the approval of changes in a timely fashion. He questions if the club will even complete the project. There is some dissension about the colors and style. Mark Clark suggested maybe the Bike/Ped Committee needs to revisit the conceptual plan for the structure.

Trillium Trail – Scott Turner provided example RFP's. John will work with the summer intern in drafting a RPF for the Trillium trail. John will be meeting with Dave Meurette of DOT next week regarding the potential trail.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Bike Rodeo Enhancements:** Mark Clark stated he believes the rodeo will be held on Thursday June 25<sup>th</sup>. There is some confusion with the date and Becky's records. He will seek clarification. He will proceed with the rodeo format and will also draft a syllabus. Randy Lackman will do maintenance at both sessions. Michele Armstrong of the Sade Kids Coalition

will also participate. Dale Wisnewski stated he will provide a squad car.

**Installation of Bike Racks in Rib Mountain:** Andrea suggested additional site locations for bike racks could be at Briq's and the HuHot. Two additional locations not noted on the map for bike racks are at Quality Foods and Wausau Fitness. Committee members suggested some potential sites include: IHOP, Starbucks, Texas Roadhouse, Bluegill Park, Gullivars, Emma Krumbees and additional one at Doepke Park by the playground equipment. Mark Clark suggested the committee review the west side of Rib Mountain Drive for some sites. The Committee discussed ways of implementing future installation. Andrea stated she would proceed with some cold-calling of businesses.

**Update Town Ordinances Regarding Bike/Pedestrian Accommodations:** Mark Clark stated he is half way through the process. He would like to table this item for the next couple of months.

**Distribute Share the Road Signs** – Andrea and John distributed signs and would remove them by October. John Beatty asked where additional signs could be obtained from.

**Future Project Plans Prioritization List:** Andrea stated she did not have many updates. John Beatty emphasized the need for enforcing safety issues and speed control. Andrea will provide an updated list at the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Rib Mountain Business Association Map:** With Curt being absent, Andrea will touch base with him later. The goal would be to work with the Rib Mountain Business Association to encourage more biking in the community. A suggestion was made about creating a coupon book with local businesses that would encourage biking.

**Adjourn: Motion by Clark/Beatty to adjourn at 9:15 a.m. Questioned and carried.**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting date is June 18, 2015 at 8.00 a.m.

Michelle Peter, Deputy Clerk