



MINUTES
MANHATTAN BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
City Commission Room, City Hall
1101 Poyntz Ave. Manhattan, KS 66502
March 24, 2010

Members Present: Dan Scott, Richard Markle, Brian Hardeman, Ben Champion, Brian Johnson, Julie Gibbs, Joseph Edmunds, Diane Novak

Members Absent: Dave Colburn

Staff Present: Victoria McKennan, Bicycle Coordinator; Rob Ott, City Engineer

Public Attendance: 2

Hardeman called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

1. A motion was made to approve the February 24 minutes. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

2. CDBG Proposal- Shelley Carver

Carver presented on the CDBG process. She explained the CDBG as an annual allotment that required a 5 year consolidated plan. The grant is geared towards low and moderate income neighborhoods. Champion asked what is considered low or moderate. Carver said moderate income households have an income of 80% or less of Manhattan's median income of \$58,000. Champion asked why KSU was considered low and moderate income. Carver answered that it was based on 2000 Census Data in that block group. Carver said the process involved 3 public input meetings to develop project lists in September of 2009. She included a handout with a proposed project list fro 2010-2011. A discussion followed concerning the fact that bicycle and pedestrian improvements will serve low/moderate income neighborhoods even if they extend beyond them. Carver said that the map could change depending on the 2010 census as well. Novak expressed that Ft. Riley was a critical place for improvements. Carver explained that projects would be re-evaluated every year with public hearings to report accomplishments. She said the committee could make recommendations concerning the CDBG Proposal.

2. City Engineer Report

Ott said the joint MUAP and BAC meeting would involve presentations and dialogue. Chad Bunger will be presenting on bicycle parking regulations for new subdivisions. Ott said he was working on locations for linear trail signage. Champion suggested considering utility of signage for not just motorists. Hardeman said not to think of parking as a requirement for signs.

Ott presented maps created by Dan Oldehoeft with suggestions for Share the Road signs. There was consensus that N. Manhattan did not need as many signs because there is already a bike lane on both sides. Novak suggested McCall road as a good location coming in from Wamego. Markle recommended placing signs on Claflin between Sunset and Seth child. Casement and Hays were discussed as important locations for Share the Road signs. Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Snead supported sign located at entrances to the City to send message as motorists and cyclists enter Manhattan. The committee agreed that other signs on other streets should be a priority over N. Manhattan. East-west routes are in greater need of signage.

3. Bicycle Coordinator Report

McKenna described progress of Bike Month Plans. The Kick-Off event was well-planning and an additional Bike to the Movies event was added to target K-State students. Friday plans were uncertain. Following a brief discussion, it was decided that instead of trying to get breakfast stations together, a Lunch on Friday was more feasible. Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Snead supported the lunch as a way to bring cyclists together. Advertising opportunities were discussed. April 20th was the date for the Bike Week proclamation.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 28th , 2010