



MINUTES
MANHATTAN BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Harmon Room, City Hall
1101 Poyntz Ave. Manhattan, KS 66502
June 14, 2010

Members Present: Brian Hardeman, Ben Champion, Dave Colburn, Joe Edmunds, Diane Novak, Dan Scott, Rich Markle, Julie Gibbs

Members Absent: Brian Johnson

Staff Present: Rob Ott, City Engineer; Peter Clark, Design Engineer

Public Attendance: 0

Hardeman called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

1. Dave Colburn moved to Approval of April Meeting Minutes, Joe Edmunds second the motion.

The minutes were approved by vote of eight to zero in favor.

2. Discussion of the KDHE Grant

Julie Gibbs indicated that \$3,500 needs to be under contract or invoiced no later than June 30, 2010. Julie also requested pictures of the bike racks to be installed. Peter Clerk passed out updated drawings of additional signs that were requested last time to provide further direction to the various trail system. Brian Hardeman indicated that he would like to see signs on both side of the post near the bowling alley near Richards Drive and K-18. Ben Champion commented that he would like to see additional set at Pecan Circle near the 90 degree turn for north and south traffic to provide greater guidance. Diane Novak comment about a sign for west bound traffic at Levee Drive and US-24 about "U" turn sign to let folks know there's a vehicle parking area to the east of US-24 near the Big Blue River. Dave Colburn expressed interest in bike rack in the front of his store on Poyntz Avenue near Path Finder.

3. Staff Reports
 - a. City Engineer Report

Covered a series of projects that were all listed on the agenda, Robert Ott provided a general overview of the current status of each project.

4. Bike Week Discussion ~ After Action Report/Discussion

Various Board members made the following comments on the events during May's Bike Week:

- Overall good turn for the first event.
- More KSU involvement
- More Business on the Commuter Challenge
- Start Advertisement soon for the various stake holders such as business and KSU.
- Utilize the banner on Anderson Avenue near West Loop for advertisement.
- More School Involvement with USD 383
- Set up a Sub Committee of Stakeholders to assist staff with the planning and execution.

5. Master Plan Update Discussion ~ North East Quadrant of the City

Brian Hardeman started the discussion he commented about the lack of connection of the eastern commercial center to the local residential neighborhoods. Diane Novak comment that the neighborhood to the north is somewhat forgotten when it comes to connections to the commercial district and the linear trail system. Ben Champion commented about providing connection to "International Foods" store along US-24 south of Kimball Avenue. He also talked about the importance of Allen Road it's connections to this commercial area. He also talked about the need for bike lanes on Casement Road for when it expands and how it will provide a critical link to the commercial area and linear trail. He also discussed the challenges with crossing US-24, made the suggestion about a pedestrian button at Kimball and US-24 to assist in that crossing. He also discussed the possibilities of wider shoulders on US-24 to provide for bicyclists to assist in a share the road situation. The various members of the group discussed reducing parking to one side along Northfield. Also the connection of multi-use path was discussed along Sloan to Butterfield, Sloan to Allen and Knox to Northeast Park.

The group talked about staff providing a map of all the collector streets highlighted to further develop discussions about connectivity throughout the community.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm

Next meeting: June 23, 2010