



MINUTES
MANHATTAN BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
City Commission Room Room
1101 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan, KS 66502
June 19th, 2015

- Members Present:** Joe Edmunds, Michael Wesch, Brian Hardeman, Dave Colburn, David Schafer, Jeff Koenig, Jessica Fiscus
- Members Absent:** Cydney Alexis, Seth Scobee
- Staff Present:** Benjamin Chmiel, Long Range Planner; Peter Clark, Civil Design and Traffic Engineer; Wyatt Thompson, Park Planner; Jared Tremblay, Infrastructure Analyst & Staff Liaison to BAC
- Public Attendance:** 4

M. Wesch called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

Approval of Minutes:

D. Colburn moved to approve the May 2015 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Staff Reports

Peter Clark reported on updates to the following projects.

- 11th & Fremont: Traffic Signal design is ongoing
- N Manhattan Ave: Multi-use Path is open and road construction is in final phase
- 17th & Poyntz: Currently the pedestrian signal is not working. The signal arm is sagging and needs replacing. He is waiting on CIP intersection redesign to move forward
- Denison Ave Corridor: Designs are finalizing to rework Denison Ave between Platt St & Claflin. The plan is to create 4 signals that more safely and efficiently move vehicle & pedestrian traffic.

Jared Tremblay reported the following.

- Emma Rearick has been hired as the Bicycle Coordinator Intern.

- Proposal to add a second bike month in September. Better weather, students back, no finals or graduations and students can get introduced to cycling/infrastructure and cycle all year.
- Flint Hills Regional Transit Administration (FHRTA) Grant: The City received funding on 3 projects. The projects are the improved crossing of Tuttle Creek Blvd @ Bluemont Ave, Fremont St bulb-outs, and Claflin St sidewalk.
- APA/APHA Grant: The committee discussed the possibility of applying for the Plan4Health grant. The object of the grant being the creation of a coalition to further the causes of biking/pedestrians. The discussion also brought about the idea of shifting many of the assumed responsibilities that BAC has undertaken and putting them in the hands of the new coalition. This would allow the BAC to work more in the line of its bylaws.
- Sharrow Placement: Jared informed the group that sharrows will be placed by volunteers on the following dates (8am at Traffic Shop): June 20th, 21st, 27th, 28th, July 11th, 12th, 18th, 25th, 26th, August 1st, 2nd, 8th & 9th. All volunteers are welcome.

Green Apple Bike Share

Linda Mays presented her work on the Green Apple Bike Share. Working with Ward Morgan and others, she is gathering sponsorship to purchase bikes and bike racks. The bikes will all be white with Green Apple Bike Share logos. The bike racks will be powder coated bright green. Some concerns expressed by committee members included the lack of organization, the lack of funding to move the project forward long term, the lack of accountability for bikes, the lack of an organized balancing and maintenance program. Members were in favor of having a bike share program and felt that this would be a good start. Peter Clark expressed the City's views on maintenance, street cleanliness, DMI issues with aesthetics, accountability, and need for clarity/organization.

Next Meeting: July 17th, 2015