

MINUTES
Manhattan Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Harmon Room
1101 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan, KS 66502
June 17, 2016

Members Present: Dave Colburn, Joe Edmunds, Jessica Fiscus, Brian Hardeman, Adam Inman, Jeff Koenig, Stephanie Watts

Members Absent: Paul Benne, Brent Chamberlain, Seth Scobee, Michael Wesch

Staff Present: Ben Chmiel, Long Range Planner; Lance Evans, Long Range Planner; Tim Kellams, Intern Park Planner; Jared Tremblay, Infrastructure Analyst & Staff Liaison to BPAC

Public Attendance: 1

B. Hardeman called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Approval of Minutes:

D. Colburn moved to approve the May 2016 minutes, J. Edmunds seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Bike Month Wrap-Up

J. Tremblay reviewed last month's Bike Month events. He mentioned that overall the events were successful, and there had been a request to include a family-friendly scavenger hunt next year. D. Colburn added that the Bike Month committee has been talking about keeping the momentum going and creating a community bike club to organize events throughout the year.

Staff Reports

J. Tremblay reviewed the following projects:

-Ledgestone Trail: developer Tim Schultz wants to create a trail which will run from Miller Parkway north to Hunter Ave. It will be an 8- or 10-foot wide concrete trail, and the cost will be split with the City. The trail is currently being designed and is expected to be completed by early 2017.

-Green Apple Bikes plans to implement a mobile app that volunteers can use to document the condition and location of GAB bicycles around the City. They also plan to install GPS tracking devices on two bicycles to get a better sense of the movement patterns of the bicycles.

-The City/University Committee has funded two bike/ped projects for 2017, including installing lighting along the Jardine Trail, and pedestrian improvements along Sunset Avenue.

-Property acquisition for the Knox Lane Trail should be nearing completion in early July.

Public Comments

No one spoke.

Kimball Avenue Trail Connection

J. Tremblay described a proposed multi-use trail connection along Kimball Avenue, which would run from College Avenue west to Sunnymeade Road. A road widening project is planned for Kimball Avenue, and currently the plan includes a 5-foot sidewalk along the North side. He asked the BPAC to officially recommend that an 8-foot concrete trail be included instead of the sidewalk. A trail would better connect the neighborhoods off Sunnymeade to the K-State campus. D. Colburn moved to support the Kimball Avenue Trail Connection. A. Inman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Urban Core Bicycle and Pedestrian Elements

B. Chmiel presented proposed bicycle and pedestrian elements written in the most recent draft regulations for the future Urban Core Residential district, planned for the neighborhood east of North Manhattan Avenue. He asked the committee members for their input. The committee members discussed the proposed elements and were overall supportive of the concepts.

D. Colburn announced that a memorial ride for Mark Jilka is planned for Friday July 1. Cyclists will meet at City Park at 6 p.m. and ride to Ogden and back.

B. Hardeman adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Next Meeting: July 15, 2016