

MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION
Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee
Minutes – January 23, 2020

Members: John Nowaczyk, Chair, Hooshang Zeyghami, Vice-Chair, John Beatty, Mark Thuot, Ryan Lichtenwald, Dennis Helke, Thomas Mullaly, Patricia Kapinos
Staff: Andrew Lynch

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairperson NOWACZYK at 5:30pm

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF (OCTOBER 24, 2019) MEETING

Motion/second by ZEYGHAMI/MULLALY to approve the meeting minutes from the October 24 meeting. Motion **carried** by voice vote, no dissent.

4. UPDATE ON 2019 AND FUTURE BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN PROJECTS

The committee examined the included list of recently completed and future projects. Notable future projects include the Trillium Lane Trail in Rib Mountain and Scott St bike lanes in Wausau for 2020. Connecting the new Kronenwetter Old Hwy 51 trail to Mosinee was discussed as an updated priority.

5. UPDATE ON ALLOCATION OF WAUSAU AREA SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT FUNDING

LYNCH updated the committee on the allocation of STBG funds from late in 2019. Projects funded included the Stewart Ave project from 44th to 72nd in Wausau and Main Street from 4th to Rangeline Road in Mosinee. Funding other projects will depend on the allocation of additional state funding in the form of the MLS grant. It is expected MLS grant awards will be announced in late February or early March.

6. PRESENTATION ON NEW SARIS PRODUCTS BY PATRICIA KAPINOS

Patricia Kapinos is an Infrastructure Sales Manager for Saris. A company known for racks and trainers that is expanding into infrastructure such as lane delineators, parking, access ramps. They are also developing ebikes designed for commercial use. Kapinos presented on these products and the industry trends that drive their business.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON UPDATE TO THE WAUSAU MPO BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN 2015 MASTER PLAN

LYNCH presented the committee with the need to update the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. Included in the packet were a list of reasons for an update, most significantly being the change in preferred infrastructure on an industry level and changes in state law that have created difficulties. LYNCH will provide maps of all current infrastructure to communities for their review before the next meeting. Expected draft will be done in May. The Committee approved a resolution to proceed with an update to the 2015 Master Plan by unanimous vote.

8. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND FUTURE EVENTS

Rib Mountain: The Trillium Trail project is officially out for bid. Town is looking at a trail around the base of the State Park in conjunction with the Park Master Plan revision.

Kronenwetter: Cycling Without Age is hosting Ole Kassam the founder of the program on Feb 8th in Wausau

Wausau: River's Edge plans are complete. These include plans on the South Riverfront, Towers area, and the River's Edge Trail.

9. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

10. NEXT MEETING DATE – FEBRUARY 27, 2020

11. ADJOURN

Motion/second by MULLALY/BEATTY to adjourn the meeting. Motion **carried** by voice vote, no dissent. Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by:
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