

OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

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COUNTY OF MARATHON
WAUSAU, WI 54403

**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION'S
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SUB-COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

June 25, 2020
5:30 P.M.

LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
210 RIVER DRIVE, WAUSAU, WI

Marathon County Mission Statement: *Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)*

Commission Purpose: *The Commission shall be concerned with studies and recommendations relating to activities including but not limited to land-use; natural resources; utilities; and transportation systems within the metropolitan planning area. (Commission Bylaws last updated: 12-18)*

The meeting site identified above will be open to the public. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated public health directives, Wausau MPO encourages Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee members and the public to attend this meeting remotely. To this end, instead of attendance in person, Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee members and the public may attend this meeting by telephone conference. If Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee members or members of the public cannot attend remotely, Wausau MPO requests that appropriate safety measures, including adequate social distancing, be utilized by all in-person attendees.

Persons wishing to attend the meeting by phone may call into the telephone conference **beginning five (5) minutes prior to the start time indicated above using the following number:**

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AGENDA ITEMS:

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

POLICY DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 23, 2020 MEETING
4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON WAUSAU MPO BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN 2015 MASTER PLAN UPDATE: CHANGES TO INFRASTRUCTURE RECOMMENDATIONS
5. TIMELINE OF MASTER PLAN UPDATE
6. NEW INFRASTRUCTURE CELEBRATION RIDES
7. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND AREAS OF CONCERN

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA
9. NEXT MEETING DATE – JULY 23, 2020
10. ADJOURN

Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk's Office at 715-261-1500 or e-mail infomarathon@mail.co.marathon.wi.us one business day before the meeting.

SIGNED



PRESIDING OFFICER OR DESIGNEE

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

Members: John Nowaczyk, Chair, Hooshang Zeyghami, Vice-Chair, John Beatty, Amanda Tabin, Tom Mullaly, Brad Sippel
Staff: Andrew Lynch, Dave Mack

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by LYNCH at 5:34pm

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2020 MEETING

Motion/second by BEATTY/MULLALY to approve the meeting minutes from the February 27 meeting. Motion **carried** by voice vote, no dissent.

4. MULTIMODAL LOCAL SUPPLEMENT (MLS) FUNDING UPDATE

Provided in the packet is a list and map of MLS awarded projects. Local projects awarded were County Road A, County Road WW, Birch Street in Rothschild, and Ross Ave in Schofield. Statewide, there were no awards greater than \$1 million and some projects were funded less than the proposed 90%.

5. BIKING AND WALKING IN THE COVID-19 ERA

LYNCH compiled information about biking and walking safely during the pandemic. Of particular note was an article on proper distancing while biking. NOWACYZK noted that the Wausau Wheelers rides are not starting yet and they are working on spacing guidelines. SIPPEL noted that the River's Edge trail was very busy recently. MULLALY noted an increase in people walking in the Village of Maine. It was suggested that the committee suggest to Wausau and the Parks Department to post signs that would encourage proper distancing. Staff will explore setting up a news story to inform the public.

6. MAY IS STILL BIKE MONTH

The League of American Bicyclists is still designated May as Bike Month however they have moved their Bike To Work Week to September. The League is encouraging participation in the National Bike Challenge. Local events, like the Mayor's Ride, are likely postponed until September as well. LYNCH is considering a photo challenge. MULLALY suggested encouraging communities to compete against each other using the National Bike Challenge.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON WAUSAU MPO BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN MASTER 2015 MASTER PLAN UPDATE: CHANGES TO INFRASTRUCTURE RECOMMENDATIONS

LYNCH presented several infrastructure recommendations from the plan with proposed changes. The changes discussed were agreed upon except for the change to Schofield Ave due to right of way constraints. LYNCH agreed to check on the right of way size available in this corridor. More changes will be presented in the coming meetings from the other communities not included in this review.

8. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND FUTURE EVENTS

Village of Maine: County Road WW in Brokaw is closed from 4th to 2nd Aves because of the utility and road construction.

City of Wausau: River's Edge Plan was adopted and a Request For Proposal for engineering services to begin implementation of the plan recommendations.

Bike share bikes have been suspended during the pandemic.

9. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

10. NEXT MEETING DATE – MAY 28, 2020

11. ADJOURN

Motion/second by MULLALY/TABIN to adjourn the meeting. Motion **carried** by voice vote, no dissent.
Meeting Adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Submitted by:
David Mack
Program Manager/MPO Director
Marathon County
Conservation, Planning and Zoning/Wausau MPO

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the Wausau Area Metropolitan Planning Organization - Changes for 2020 Update part 1

Project Complete	Project ID	Project Street	From Street	To Street	Facility Recommendation	Road Diet	Lane Diet	Length (miles)	Stand-Alone Project Cost Estimate	Coordinated Project Cost Estimate	Primary Jurisdiction	Comments
	31	Sherman St	1st Ave	17th Ave	Bike lane			0.8	\$ 29,456	\$ 28,334	C. of Wausau	Unclear whether parking is allowed. WISLR indicates no but that appears to be incorrect. If no parking there is easily room for bike lanes. If parking, may be possible to stripe parking lanes as de facto bike lanes. Also could restrict to one side of the road. <i>Downgrade to sharrows?</i>
	46	28th Ave	Highway 52	Sherman St	Bike lane			0.5	\$ 18,756	\$ 18,042	C. of Wausau	Stripe 4 ft bike lanes next to curb. <i>Consider trail facility between Stewart and Hwy 52.</i>
	78	3rd St	Bridge St	Wausau Ave	Bike lane			0.3	\$ 12,173	\$ 10,112	C. of Wausau	Remove parking on one side of street. Stripe street with wide parking lane, travel lanes, and bike lane on other side. <i>Buffered Bike Lane</i>
	80	6th St	Union Ave	Riverview Ct	Bike lane			0.9	\$ 31,401	\$ 30,205	C. of Wausau	There may be room for parking, travel lanes, and bike lanes. At minimum, stripe parking lanes to create de facto bike lanes. <i>Buffered Bike Lane</i>
	113	Stewart Ave	18th Ave	STH 52	Bike lane		Yes	0.9	\$ 62,025	\$ 51,520	C. of Wausau	Narrow urban shoulders (approximately 3 ft) exist west of the US 51 overpass but could potentially be widened to 4 ft wide bike lanes along with a lane diet. <i>(Wider bike lanes as interim with long term goal of trail facility on one side of road.)</i>
	42	Stettin Dr	Stewart Ave	72nd Ave	Paved shoulder			2.3	\$ 251,243	\$ 206,540	C. of Wausau / T. of Stettin	<i>Trail facility between Brockmeyer Park and Stettin Elementary.</i>
	83	Grand Ave	Schofield Ave	Forest St	Bike lane			3	\$ 783,033	\$ 452,814	C. of Wausau /WisDOT	Existing right-of-way is too constrained. There may be room to squeeze lanes in at the edges, but there are concerns about a seam developing where asphalt has been poured over the gutter pan. Recommend adding bike lanes or buffered bike lanes when road is reconstructed. <i>Utilize opportunities to add trail facility where feasible (between Sturgeon Eddy and Thomas Ave) including extension of River's Edge Trail.</i>
	87	Highway 52 Pkwy	17th	Stewart Ave	Bike lane			2	\$ 495,647	\$ 286,624	C. of Wausau /WisDOT	Existing paved shoulder. Widen to full bike lanes when reconstructed. <i>Trail facility on at least one side would be preferable.</i>
	91	Stewart Ave	1st Ave	1st St	Bike lane			1	\$ -	\$ 78,986	C. of Wausau /WisDOT	Existing bridge is too narrow to add bike lanes. Recommend adding when reconstructed. Alternatively, perform road diet. <i>Reduce bridge from 3 to 2 lanes for extension of sidewalk or buffered bike lane. Should also have improvements to intersection at 1st Street.</i>
	3	County X	County XX	Pleasant Dr	Path			1.4	\$ 295,400	\$ 295,400	Marathon County	Part of Kronenwetter Master Non-Motorized Pedestrian Facilities Plan. <i>Paved Path from County XX to Howland Dr to connect to existing trail in Village of Weston.</i>

Top Priority Projects are **Highlighted in Green**