



**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION'S  
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Meeting Attendance:** Aaron Anklam, MaKayla Galecki (Wausau MPO Staff), Mark Thuot (City of Schofield), Carrie Edmonson (City of Wausau), John Beatty (Village of Rib Mountain), Jamie Gerbert (Village of Weston), Hooshang Zeyghami (Village of Weston) Darryl Landeau (NCWRPC), Eric Donaldson (Village of Kronenwetter), William Bertram (Greater Wausau Prosperity Partnership), Ryan Vandewalle (Village of Rothschild), Daniel Higginbotham, Andy Foust ?

1. Call Meeting to Order

In the presence of a quorum, with the agenda being properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order by Aaron Anklam at 1:00 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room, 1000 Lake View Drive, Wausau, WI 54403 and virtually via WebEx.

2. Approval of Minutes: March 5, 2026, Bike/Ped Sub-Committee Meeting

**Action: Motion/Second by Zeyghami/Edmondson to approve March 5, 2026, MPO Bike/Ped Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.**

3. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion

A. Wausau MPO Pedal Passport

Discussion: The Pedal Passport is on track for a May launch. Visit Wausau is finalizing materials, beginning advertising, and preparing prizes. An email announcement will be shared once the launch page is live.

B. E-bicycle Model Ordinance

Discussion: Anklam reviewed updates made per the group's requests. Weston and Rothschild support adopting the ordinance; Kronenwetter supports the content but asked about the adoption process. Anklam clarified that each municipality must adopt the ordinance individually, Kronenwetter plans to seek public feedback. Approval is anticipated in April–May. Anklam will share the Word document with the group.

C. Bicycle Map Update

Discussion: A link to the updated bike map will be emailed later this month for feedback. The map is still scheduled for a May release and can be revised after publication.

D. Call For Bike Month Events

Discussion: Galecki requested each municipality's list of May Bike Month events. Events mentioned include Bike to Work with the Mayor (May 12), a COW social ride (May 15), Rib Mountain's annual events, the annual open house, a bike-themed scavenger hunt, Wheelers event on May 21, a possible bike rodeo in Weston, and Bike and Walk for the Health of It in Kronenwetter.

E. Bicycle Friendly Community Application

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Discussion: Galecki reviewed the spreadsheet included in the packet and asked members to download and complete it. At minimum, each municipality must submit the “current” and “planned facilities” tabs. The spreadsheet is from the League of American Bicyclists and includes guidance tabs. Municipalities are encouraged to forward it to public works staff for completion.

F. Bike/Ped Counters:

Discussion: Anklam states MPO Staff will be dispersing Counters this month. He requests the group send him an email with locations they would like to have data for. 12 Total counters, one mountain bike counter. Anklam reminds the group of the criteria for placing the counters. Counters would be placed from mid to end of April through October. Software discussion (????) do I even include this, I do not know?

G. Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A)

Discussion: Anklam announced that MPO staff will distribute counters this month and asked members to email preferred locations. There are 12 counters total, including one for mountain biking. He reminded the group of placement criteria. Counters will be deployed from mid-April through October.

H. IRONBULL- COR Trail

Discussion: Bertram presented an overview of the proposed COR trail around Wausau, designed for both commuting and recreation. It would function like a spoke system and attract high usage, similar to the Green Circle Trail. He is seeking solutions for connecting the City to new gravel routes being built this year. The group discussed potential route modifications, signage clarity, and integration with existing loops. Anklam explained that MPO routes would need to be officially updated before redesign and signing. Landeau suggested revisiting this during the bike/ped plan overhaul. The topic will return to the committee with a formal recommendation.

I. Updates/ Comments from Committee Members

Discussion: Safe Routes to School Plans were completed for Stetting and Mosinee, as well as a school within the DC Everest District. Plans for the remaining schools are in place.

4. Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting Date

A. Next Meeting Date and Time – Thursday, May 7, 2026, 1:00pm

B. Future Agenda Items –Members are asked to bring items for discussion. COR trail, bike counters?

5. Adjournment

**Action: There being no further business before the members, Motion/Second by Landeau/Beatty to adjourn the meeting of the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee at 2:19 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.**

Submitted by:

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