KEIZER BIKEWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Wednesday, July 16, 2008
Keizer Public Works Shop

The Keizer Bikeways Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Ron Anderson. In attendance were:

Present:
Ron Anderson
Darlene Taylor
Terry Grover
Jerry Lelack
Julius (Red) Vanis, Jr.

Also Present
Graham Munsell (6:50)

Absent:
Robert Fox
Jim Taylor, Council Liaison
Position #2 vacant

Staff:
Bill Lawyer
Debbie Lockhart

Minute Approval ~ Darlene Taylor moved to approve the June, 2008 minutes. Terry Grover seconded. Motion passed as follows: Anderson, Taylor, Fox, Grover and Lelack in favor with Vanis abstaining, Fox absent and one position vacant.

Public Comment ~ *(Taken out of Order)* Graham Munsell reported that

- Every time landings are built at the BMX area of Keizer Rapids Park, someone digs a hole in the landing. He questioned if a sign could be posted indicating that the area is public property. Bill Lawyer volunteered to follow up on this and noted that he hoped the fencing would make a difference when installed.
- Efforts are still being made to contact Travis Tyrell, the person interested in being the mountain bike trail coordinator.
- He and Robert are trying to put together a commuter education program.

Public Works Update ~ Bill Lawyer reported that

- Dearborn is open; ODOT walked the project and had no issues with finalizing the grant funds and issuing the final payment. Landscaping will be finished in the fall when watering will be assured.
- There are funds in this year's budget to widen Candlewood and add a bike path from Cherry to Brooks but the heavy Public works workload may delay the project until spring.
- Results of the Keizer Rapids Park grant application are still unknown but Public Works is hoping to have the roadway and parking lot paved for the RIVERfair.

Because the bid came in considerably below what was anticipated, the parking lot will be enlarged from 100'x60' to 240'x60'.

Chair Anderson reported that, at the request of the Traffic Safety Commission, he had written a letter recommending repair of the bike path along Salem Parkway north of Cherry. He also notified Mr. Lawyer that the path from Keizer Station to the old path has a hole in it that needs repair. Discussion then took place regarding the ownership of the bike paths, the proposed pedestrian structure over the parkway to the KROC center and pedestrian obstacles: the creek and railroad tracks.

Bikeways Resolution ~ Chair Anderson referred to the Resolution forming the Bikeways Committee and reminded members that there had been concern that applicants were not always aware of the time commitment involved as a committee member. He noted that the resolution spells out the duties clearly adding that, with the help of grants, the committee has expanded the public information/education section and promotion of safe and efficient modes of transportation. Members agreed that Appendix A covered the duties of the committee and did not need to be changed.

Open Committee Position ~ Chair Anderson reminded members that they had asked Robert Fox to advertise the open position with the Salem Bike Club.

ACTS Grant Paperwork ~ Red Vanis thanked committee members for submitting the grant request in his absence. Ron Anderson added that the grant requirements now include doing four bike safety events rather than three. Members suggested that, in addition to the one planned for the RIVERfair, one could be done at the Saturday Market at Faith Lutheran Church or at one of the elementary schools in the area. Jerry Lelack noted that he would check with his contact at the Saturday Market. Red Vanis urged everyone to continue keeping their time sheets so that time could be reported when applying for grants and asked members to submit their time to him every month. He added that the committee would apply for grants again next year so everyone should think about planned activities.

Keizer Rapids Parks Planning Committee ~ Jerry Lelack did not have a report, but Red Vanis noted that many dog owners are using the BMX area for their dogs because of holes in the dog park area and resultant injuries to dogs.

Chemawa Road Interchange Area Management Plan ~ Jerry Lelack reported that he had attended the Open House at Whiteaker and there were lots of graphs and maps and people from the general public asking questions. The next meeting will take the input received and integrate it into the master plan. He noted that this dealt primarily with automobile traffic instead of bikes.

Transportation System Plan Technical Advisory Committee Update ~ There has been no meeting and there is no specific date for the next one.

City Council Report ~ Councilor Taylor was not in attendance to give a report.

RIVERfair ~ Jerry Lelack reported that vendors continue to contact Lyndon Zaitz and vendors at the Saturday Market will probably be at the event. Bikeways Committee is set for the Corral and Bike Rodeo. Mr. Lawyer cautioned the committee that, if the parking lot is expanded prior to the RIVERfair and because a sand volleyball court is going to be added, they may need to make adjustments to their location. Members discussed details of set up and needs from Public Works. It was noted that Robert Fox has always been effective in recruiting volunteers and that he would be responsible for helping in that regard for this event.

Them Dawgs ~ Chair Anderson reported that he and Darlene had filed a complaint against the dog at 7515 Windsor Island Road with Marion County Dog Control which resulted in a fine of $350 each. Half of that was suspended and the owner was ordered to put the dog on a cable run within 10 days and fence his yard in 30 days. Recently, however, the dog was still chasing cyclists so Ron filed another claim. He was told at that time that, because of the additional complaint, the dog owner would be cited for "failure to comply", "dog at large" and possibly for a "menacing dog" charge.

Traffic Safety Commission Report ~ Addressed in Public Works Update.

Helmet Diversion Class ~ Chair Anderson reported that the Fire Department has cancelled the July Helmet Diversion Class because there were only two people enrolled.

Old Business ~ None

Other Business – Bikeways Community Ride ~ Chair Anderson suggested the committee consider sponsoring a community bike ride, perhaps in September, beginning at a Bikeways Committee meeting with everyone taking off for a ride following the meeting.

Adjournment ~ The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Next meeting – August 20, 2008

Minutes Approved: 8-20-08