



**KEIZER BIKEWAYS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Wednesday, June 17, 2009
Keizer Civic Center**

Chair Ron Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m. In attendance were:

Present:

Ron Anderson
David Dempster
Cheri Christenson
Darlene Taylor

Absent:

Jerry Lelack
Robert Fox
1 Position Vacant
James Taylor, Council Liaison

Staff:

Bill Lawyer, Parks Superintendent
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

Minutes Approval: David Dempster moved to approve the April 2009 minutes.
Darlene Taylor seconded. Motion passed as follows: Anderson, Christensen and Dempster in favor, with Taylor abstaining, Fox and Lelack absent and one position vacant.

Chair Anderson noted that he had spoken with Rhonda Rich, President of the West Keizer Neighborhood Association, regarding including the study of Rivercrest as a north/south corridor in the Transportation System Plan. He explained that her worries have been alleviated for the present but that she has requested that the Bikeways Committee voice their opposition to this possibility as well. Bill Lawyer and Debbie Lockhart provided additional information on the process that would take place if and when this project should come up.

Public Comments: None

Public Works Update: Bill Lawyer reported that the hard surface trails at Keizer Rapids Park are complete and the contractor will be putting in the bollards by the parking lot next; Bair Park hard surface trails are complete; bids related to the stimulus package will be opened July 23 with work to start in August. This is being done through Marion County and managed by Oregon Department of Transportation.

Councilor Jim time: Councilor Taylor absent.

Chemawa Road Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP): No report

Transportation Systems Plan Technical Advisory Committee: Bill Lawyer reported that the Technical Advisory Committee task had been completed with the adoption of the Transportation Systems Plan by Council. The Plan will take effect 30 days after adoption, in August.

ACTS Grant Paperwork Due: Chair Anderson reported that the ACTS Oregon grant paperwork is due by June 30. The timekeeper was circulated so everyone could fill in their time. Mr. Anderson added he would try to complete the paperwork the next day so City Manager Chris Eppley could sign off on it and it could be submitted.

Safety Class Discussion: Following lengthy discussion regarding classes which the committee could sponsor/host/teach committee agreed to hold three classes with the first two focusing on: 1) legal/safety, and 2) maintenance/repair/tire changing/seat adjustments, and the third class being an actual ride. The classes will be held at the Civic Center following abbreviated Bikeways Committee meetings. Chair Anderson volunteered to teach the "legal/safety" class and volunteered Robert Fox to teach the maintenance/repair class. Chair Anderson offered to develop a flyer that could be distributed at bike shops, City Hall, posted on the website and put on Channel 23. He and David Dempster agreed to be the contacts on the flyer.

RiverFair: Committee discussed participating in the RiverFair with a Bike Corral. Discussion focused on fees, the cost of booths, publicity, and giveaways. Chair Anderson offered to contact Lyndon Zaitz .

Iris Festival Family Ride/Open House Critique: Chair Anderson reported that there were about 25 participants in the ride – more than the previous year. Discussion then took place regarding publicity, competition with the run and placement of the bike corral. Members suggested charging a donation so that riders could receive a give-away and using the funds to purchase helmets. Cheri Christenson suggested having a Bike Corral for the Iris Festival Parade to relieve the traffic congestion and having the bike ride after the parade so that it would not compete with the run. Darlene Taylor suggested a t-shirt and coupon for the pancake breakfast as giveaways. Committee decided to begin more detailed discussion in October.

Traffic Safety Commission Report: David Dempster did not report on the May meeting but noted that the June meeting had been postponed to the 25th.

Old Business: David Dempster reported that the helmet program concluded when school ended, but that he will be contacting school PTAs in the fall.

Other business: Bill Lawyer showed the committee the "Alice B. Toeclips" Award presented to the Bikeways Committee in 2002 by the Bicycle Transportation Alliance and encouraged them to consider what they would like to do with the award. He then showed the committee a bronze plaque which was "rescued" from the old city hall. It recognized Velma Vetterneck "Willie" and was given by the City of Keizer, Keizer Bicycle Advisory Committee, Salem Bicycle Club and the employees of the Willow Lake

Wastewater Treatment plant. Mr. Lawyer urged the committee to consider placement of the rack and plaque somewhere on the new Civic Center campus.

Committee agreed by consensus to recommend placement of the plaque at the civic center in a specific location to be addressed at the next meeting.

Chair Anderson reported that Kate Murphy had informed him that applications are being accepted for the 2009-2010 ACTS Oregon Mini-grant. Paperwork needs to be submitted by September 11. He explained that this grant is for up to \$5,000 and urged members to consider possible projects.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

***Next meeting – July 15, 2009
Keizer Civic Center, Room A***

Minutes Approved: 7-15-09