

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Board
Meeting Agenda
Thursday, April 18, 2013
Location: Conway Police Department

Members present: Duston Morris, Todd Ake, Peter Mehl, David Barber, Michael Yoder, Jim Bruce, Greg Reddin

Guests: Chief AJ Gary & Lt. Jeff Anderson of the Conway Police Department;

Kim Sanders, Bicycle-Pedestrian Coordinator, Arkansas State Highway Department

Absent: Erik Leamon, Curt Amenta,

Ex-officio absent: Finley Vinson; Wes Craiglow

Discussion/Motions:

1. March 2013 Minutes: Approved as written.
2. Lynne Schaefer has resigned from the board. A secretary has to be identified and a replacement board member found.
3. Enforcement discussion – Lt. Anderson shared some statistics regarding bicycle related accidents:
 - a. (43) accidents since 2010; (14) in 2010; (16) in 2011; (13) in 2012; & (1) in 2013.
 - b. Fault nearly evenly split: (11) failure to yield by the bicyclist; (12) failure to yield by the automobile driver
 - c. Major causes include: (9) wrong way travel by bicyclist; (6) unsafe driver; (2) bicyclist crossing between cars; (2) bicyclists running a red light.
 - d. Accidents have been scattered throughout the city.
 - e. More data can be provided if BPAB supplies desired criteria; e.g. location, violation; etc.
 - f. Both Gary & Anderson believe education of bicycle related laws and behavior for both drivers and bicyclists is the greatest need.
 - g. Strengthened legislation is also a need; e.g. cell phone use while driving is a “secondary stop.” Legislation recommended from BPAB would be more welcomed than from CPD; BPAB could look at legislation in Rogers & Fayetteville for reference on bicycling and pedestrian related ordinances.
 - h. Ideas for education include:
 - i. Communication of bicycle related laws in local media; pamphlets to be handed out by CPD at Toad Suck booth;
 - ii. Post cycling & pedestrian related laws at public location(s); e.g. Tucker Creek trailhead.
 - iii. Related laws include 3’ clearance law; lights on bikes at night; riding with traffic.
 - iv. School resource officer, Sgt. Chuck Townsend, could also be resource for distributing education materials.
 - v. UCA PD could also be resource for education & enforcement.
4. State Highway BPED discussion:
 - a. Kim recommends looking to NLR & Bentonville re: their approach to BPED at the city level
 - b. Kim also recommends contacting Metro Plan to discuss possible future funding for trial development. Peter commented that Metro Plan will be represented at the May 7 forum.

5. Committee Reports
 - a. SRTS Committee (David Send me an update and I can include it.)
 - b. WFC Committee (Michael send me an update and I can include it.)
 - c. BFC Committee – see separate report sent via e-mail on 4/18/13.

Action Items:

1. Identify new secretary (by next meeting)..... Duston
2. Contact Curt Amenta re: continued BPAB membership..... Duston
3. Purchase 3' Law Banners & Yard signs for distribution (by May 1)Wes
4. Send synopsis of tonight's meeting to Log Cabin Democrat (completed)..... Todd
5. Develop Wes "To Do List" (by May 1)..... Todd & Peter
6. CPD communication officer to contact local media re: increased bicycle related enforcement efforts during the month of may.
7. Develop list of sortable data criteria for analyzing police data (by when?) Who?
8. Discuss enforcement follow up items at next BPAB meeting..... Duston
9. Add bicycle & pedestrian legislation discussion to future BPAB board meeting agendaDuston

Next meeting: March 16, 6:00am at Irby 120, UCA.