



Hockhocking Adena Bikeway Advisory Committee
Minutes of the April 9, 2009, Meeting
O'Bleness Hospital - Lower Level Meeting Room

Members Present: Scott Schell, Rosanne Reeves, Sharon Ryan, Bob Stoll, Tom Wolf, Mark Whitney, Rich Campitelli, and Paul Mullins

Members Reporting Absence:

Guests: Paul Logue

County Representatives: Bob Eichenberg and Linda Watkins

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Scott Schell at 6:05 pm. A quorum was present.

Announcements:

I. Minutes

1. Mark Whitney had a correction to Section II Committees, A. Maintenance - Item # 2 should read: "Debris at Currier Street Bridge - No money for removal at the time. **There was a question as to what was done by the railroad when they owned the bridge.**
2. Scott Schell also had a correction to Section III Old Business, A. Member Update: #1 should have a sentence added that says: **The committee unanimously decided to remove.**
3. Sharon Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes. Paul Mullins 2nd the motion. The minutes were approved by the membership.

II. Committees

A. Maintenance

1. Tom Wolf stated that there was not too much to report. The crack on the path at State Street is being taken care of. Rich Campitelli is sending people out to look at it. Andy Stone, Street Department, may have to look at it.
2. The cracks at the Ohio University area are bad again. They are patched then a year or two later the cracks are back and they need patched again. Bob Eichenberg said that when the County patches the path they are filling the base with concrete. Tom Wolf suggested replacing that stretch with concrete. Paul Mullins wanted to know if there was a timetable for replacing the path at OU. Mark Whitney said not at this time.
3. Sealing Project: Bob Eichenberg stated that the County took delivery of the crack sealer and material to fill in the gaps in the pavement at the bridges and the River Road area. Scott Schell asked if the holes would be filled then sealed. The crack sealer is just for holes. Scott Schell also asked about the tree root removal. They were taken care of last year. Bob Stoll asked if sealer would be used where the tree roots have made cracks. Yes, wherever there is a crack.
4. Scott Schell gave a copy of the mowing regulations to Linda Watkins to give to Charlie Brown. He said to let Charlie know that the mowing regulations are not going to change again.

B. Promotion and Marketing

1. Brochure - Bob Stoll
 - a) The map was sent to the membership for review. There were a few comments.
 - b) Bob Stoll brought a template of the maps and the text.
 - c) Bob would like a decision as to whether to move ahead with printing the maps.
 - d) The Nelsonville extension should be done by October. Jeff Maiden would have the blueprint. A circular blow up of Nelsonville and the Hocking Valley Railroad depot will be added. The extension is a mile and a half long. "To be constructed in 2009" will be added to the map.
 - e) Scott Schell reported that we now have enough money to print the brochure. Nelsonville donated \$1,200 which gives us a total of \$5,700. Linda Watkins will send out invoices payable to the Hock Hocking Adena Bikeway. There was a suggestion that the extra \$200 be used to buy t-shirts. Mark Whitney made a motion that we do this. Bob Stoll 2nd the motion.
 - f) Bob Eichenberg asked how many map copies would be made. There will be 30,000 printed.
 - g) John Lefelhocz gave us written permission to use the logo for promotions. Fred Holmes would like to have it digitized and made into logos, stickers, etc.

C. Environmental Management - Scott Schell

1. Scott marked the wildflower areas tonight before the meeting.

III. Old Business

A. Member Update

1. Scott Schell asked Dave Sagan, Hocking College, to fill the vacant spot on the committee. A letter needs to be sent to the Commissioners asking them to approve Dave. Sharon Ryan made a motion to approve Dave Sagan as a member. Rosanne Reeves 2nd the motion.

B. Electric Device Permit Development Committee (EPMDPD) Committee Update - Scott Schell

1. Scott found a website of all bike paths in Ohio. He is going to check and see what other paths in Ohio do.
2. Most allow electric wheelchairs.
3. Bob Stoll said the one website stated that they apply ADA guidelines.

C. Sign Request - Nothing at this time.

IV. New Business

A. Further Extensions - Tom Wolf

1. Should be thinking about further extensions.
2. Maybe some stimulus money would be available.
3. Maybe an extension to Canaanville. On ODOT land.
4. Tom Wolf proposed that a grant be written for this extension.
5. Bob Eichenberg said that he would help with the grant. It is in the County Plan to do this type of work.
6. Paul Mullins suggested that we video the bikeway and sell in bike shops. We market it to Rails to Trails. Paul will check it out.

B. Dave Sagan had some items he wanted to bring out.

2. He said that there are times when there are events at Hocking College and parking will be a mess. Example: Graduation.
3. Also, spots for horses to cross over the path are needed.
4. Dave will be working with Security and grounds maintenance.
5. Dave is proposing a tie-in spot at the Nature Center to access the trail. The staff at the Nature Center would have to be expanded. He has a rough plan for the spur.
6. Dave asked who cleans up the path when a tree falls. He is the lead instructor for chain saw classes at Hocking and could help with this. Charlie Brown and the County usually do this but the college can help. We will inform Charlie that this service is available.
7. The Commissioners approved Robert Depue for maintenance if needed.
8. Dave Sagan would like to know the specifications of the path. Bob Eichenberg told him what they were - 8 in. of crushed stone, 3 in. of asphalt - 10 ft. wide. Would like the path to be a foot path and bikeway with only service vehicle access. Signage where roads cross. Should be tapered where the road crosses the path.
9. If a letter of support is needed from the committee, we will do it.

C. Paul Mullins said that the Marathon course at the end of West State St. has to go on dirt for awhile. Are they thinking about asphaltting this section?

D. Tom Wolf said that a week from Saturday there is a bike ride. It starts at Hocking College.

E. The Appalachian Spring Festival is May 9th. There will be a 19, 32 and 45 mile bike ride.

V Comments

VI. Public Comment - None

Tom Wolf made a motion to Adjourn.

Next meeting date: May 14, 2009.