

In attendance:

J. Blackwood, Alderman R. Grosch, J. Vitale, R. Ford and G. Pascucci.

Also Present:

Deputy Clerk A. Hurd

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Blackwood called the meeting to order at 4:30pm and requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

3. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Bike & Pedestrian Planning Committee Meeting Minutes Dated August 22, 2018

A motion was made and seconded (R. Grosch, G. Pascucci) to approve the August 22, 2018 minutes.

Motion Passed: 5-For, 0-Against.

4. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Bike & Pedestrian Planning Committee Meeting Minutes Dated September 19, 2018

The meeting minutes were not available yet.

5. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Use of Bicycles and Scooters on Sidewalks

Discussion took place regarding the possibility of defining the use of sidewalks versus a shared multi-use path. Mr. Blackwood felt the Committee should define both just to make things clear. Mr. Pascucci gave possible definitions for a multi-use path, sidewalk, bike lane and pedestrian.

The possibility of speed limits on the paths was discussed. Mr. Pascucci stated Waukesha defines a casual use speed of 10 miles per hour.

The Committee decided to look at the definitions and tweak some of the language if necessary. Mr. Vitale suggested defining the term scooter as well, or non-motorized vehicles.

Discussion then took place regarding speed limit thresholds as relates to both sidewalks and shared use paths. The Committee felt 35 miles per hour seemed reasonable for a speed limit for bikes on a sidewalk.

Mr. Blackwood questioned if the Committee wanted to put an age limit on when children are no longer allowed to ride on a sidewalk. The Committee did not want to limit the age.

The idea of restrictions on scooters was discussed. Mr. Blackwood felt they should allow them but put a restriction on them that they can go no faster than walking speed if on the sidewalk. Mr. Pascucci suggested something similar to what Waukesha suggests, such a slightly greater than walking speed.

The Committee felt e-bikes should have the same restrictions as bicycles.

6. Discussion Related to the 2019 Proposed City Budget & Potential Bike & Pedestrian Improvements

It was noted that of all the projects the Committee passed to move forward with, Green Road is the only one on the current impact study. The Green Road project has quite a few items as part of the project that have been started due to the rebuilding of the road, such as the clearing of trees, and all of the utilities have been moved out of the way.

Mr. Grosch noted that he has received quite a few comments from people saying that want to see some type of project go in.

The Committee was hopeful that at least two of the projects would be built next year and people would have a positive response to it.

7. Discussion to Select the Next Meeting Date and List Possible Future Items

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, December 12th at 4:30pm.

8. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

9. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded (R. Grosch, G. Pascucci) to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed:
5-For, 0-Against.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ami Hurd
Deputy Clerk