

Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Advisory Board

Wednesday August 14th, 2019, 5:00 pm

City of Bonita Springs

Liles Hotel 27300 Old 41 Road Upstairs Conference Room

MINUTES

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:13 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present

Lindsay Robin
Scott Schnappauf
Samantha Bolde
Joseph McClamma
Liz Stikeman (via phone)

Staff

Sean Gibbons
Mike Gibson

III. APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

A. 7-24-19 Meeting Minutes

Item VI. New Business, Item C, fifth paragraph:

Ms. Stikeman would like to clarify the conversation regarding rooms for the proposed safety-training program. Delete sentence, "They have meeting rooms available". Replace with:

Ms. Stikeman will investigate having the program at the library when they get a better sense of the date.

Mr. Schnappauf moved to approve the minutes as amended above, Ms. Bolde seconded; motion approved unanimously.

IV. Public Comment

No public present.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Safety/Network/Areas of Concern

Mr. Gibbons included the links to the local agencies to report concerns.

[Road Maintenance System Interactive Map \(LDOT\):](#)

[Florida Department of Transportation – District One Maintenance Offices:](#)
[Lee County Department of Transportation Contact Page:](#)
[City of Bonita Springs Public Works Department:](#)

Ms. Stikeman stated one of the safety concerns she has is regarding the crossovers on 41, west side to east side and east side to west side stating they are dangerous for bicyclists. Mr. Gibbons clarified the location where Corkscrew or Bonita Beach Road intersects U.S. 41. Ms. Stikeman replied there is debris from accidents and the sidewalks are inadequate or stop making it dangerous for bicyclists or pedestrians.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Projects in the Works & Code Updates

Mr. Gibbons reported the multi-pathway has been approved, but is still pending the opening date.

B. MPO/BPCC Meeting Updates

The MPO was cancelled last month. The next meeting will be next week.

C. Outreach & Education

Mr. Gibbons asked Mr. Schnappauf if he had heard anything back from his contact at the League of American Bicyclists. Mr. Schnappauf stated his contact has been on vacation so he has not heard back.

Mr. Schnappauf found out a little more information regarding the three-day training to become a bicycle/safety trainer. Mr. Schnappauf found several prerequisites on the website. An attendee must complete Bicycle Safety 101 prior to attending the safety certification training. It would involve online coursework and a 4-hour mini-class. Mr. Schnappauf thinks this is something the Board should think about and offer the prerequisites first. Mr. Schnappauf suggested offering the prerequisite in December Jan and follow up in Jan and March with the 3 day certification training event.

The Board discussed the certification and the benefit of being able to talk about bicycle/pedestrian safety at events.

The Board spoke about National Bike to School Day is May 8, 2019 and bike to work is the following week. National Walk to School Day is the first Wednesday of October.

Mr. Schnappauf sent an email to the principals at Bonita Middle and Bonita High School to see if the Board could be involved with a safety program at the schools. Mr. Gibbons also asked if they had any health or safety fairs, and if so, the Board would be happy to participate.

Ms. Stikeman said there are many activities in May and thought they could do an event involving the Terry Street area and invite the Community. Ms. Stikeman will come back with some ideas for the next meeting.

The Board discussed the possibility of doing something at the new library.

D. Budget, Supplies & Materials

Mr. Gibbons received email about better price options from Prestige Printing and the Bonita Print Shop. Mr. Gibbons asked the Board to review the options and pricing.

Ms. Robin asked if people liked the idea of the banner and retractable stand or did they have new ideas they would like to explore.

Ms. Stikeman likes both options because they could use them at various venues. Mr. Gibbons asked the Board to make a motion up to a certain dollar amount.

Ms. Robin made a motion to spend up to \$2000 for promotional material including, but not limited to banners, signs, flags, tent structures and tablecloths for different indoor and outdoor events, Mr. Schnappauf seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Stikeman made an amendment to the motion to state that the items would be purchased before October 2019, Ms. Bolde seconded, all in favor; amendment to motion passed unanimously.

VII. ANY MEMBER ITEMS TO DISCUSS:

Ms. Stikeman spoke about reading a newsletter from the FDOT Project Development Environment Study and it stated in the newsletter that if they wanted to schedule a meeting they could contact FDOT Project Manager, Steven Andrews and invite him to a meeting. Ms. Stikeman stated the area they are interested in is Bonita Beach Road where it intersects with Old 41 and goes into Collier County. Ms. Stikeman stated she thinks they should learn about this and maybe put out a statement. Mr. Gibbons said he would check with Public Works department to see if they already have him coming to another City meeting. The Board concurred and would like to meet with Mr. Andrews. Ms. Stikeman will forward the email with the newsletter so Mr. Gibbons could forward to the Board members.

Mr. McClamma asked about code updates. Mr. Gibbons stated there are currently no codes being updated, but will keep the Board posted as there are updates.

VIII. ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE (September 11th, 2019)

September 11, 2019 confirmed as the next meeting date.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Robin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 p.m., all in favor; meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Nadine Chiaramonte

Nadine Chiaramonte, Office Assistant

The August 14, 2019 minutes approved at the September 11, 2019, Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Advisory Board meeting:

Mr. Schnappauf moved to approve the August 14, 2019 minutes, Ms. Bolde seconded; minutes passed unanimously.

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