

Washtenaw Bicycling & Walking Coalition  
Meeting Minutes  
May 12, 2016

1. Call to order – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Houk at 6:05pm. Other Board members present were Erica Briggs, Tracy Beeson, Barbara Lucas, Robert Gordon, Craig Lyon, Larry Deck and Bob Krzewinski.
2. Adoption Of Agenda - A motion was made by Erica, seconded by Larry, to adopt the draft agenda, passing unanimously.
3. Chairman's Report – Peter reviewed the WBWC Mission Statement and discussed upcoming events including a) League of American Bicyclist staff May 17<sup>th</sup> visit to Ann Arbor & Ypsilanti for Bike Friendly Community applications, b) League of Michigan Bicyclists Advocacy Day on May 25<sup>th</sup>, c) Bike To Work Day where WBWC Board members will help run commuter stations at Ann Arbor (Bobo's) and Ypsilanti (Beezy's), and d) the Ann Arbor Green Fair on June 10 where the WBWC will have an information table.
4. Secretary Report – A motion was made by Larry, seconded by Barbara, to accept the April minutes to include a correction noted by Larry. The motion passed unanimously. On Calendar items, it was noted that the Federal 501c3 990N form needs to be filed by May 15, 2016. Robert informed the Board that State of Michigan WBWC Articles of Incorporation had been updated with a \$10 charge by the State.
5. Nominating Committee – A discussion was held on speakers for the November WBWC membership meeting and Erica will work on a list of potential speakers by the June meeting, including possibly someone from the League of Michigan Bicyclists or Vision Zero. Also in the program could be a short presentation by the Program To Educate All Cyclists.
6. Education Committee – Barbara talked about, and provided samples of, bicyclist/pedestrian safety items (i.e. arm/leg bands, spoke reflectors), followed by a discussion of how such items could be distributed to the public.
7. Government Relations Committee – A discussion was held on the May 9<sup>th</sup> Ann Arbor City Council pedestrian & bicycling work session which Erica and Tracy attended, including how to make enact many of the items Council reviewed. Also discussed was the Washtenaw County Road Commission efforts to place a road issue on the August ballot, and would have 20% of the funds go to non-motorized issues. The County Commission, at its May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting (at which Larry and Bob spoke in favor of the issue) failed to place the issue on the August ballot but the item may appear on the November ballot. Barbara also noted that the 85 percentile speed limit issue was recently on WEMU news.
8. Community Events – For the Green Fair, a motion was made by Larry to purchase \$75 worth of incentives for the WBWC display, seconded by Craig, passing unanimously. For Huron River Day, there was no update. but Markus Nee is working on the WBWC bike valet parking for this.

9. Communications Committee – Pete will look into forwarding problems emails from the into@wbwc.org email address.

10 Treasurers Report – Larry made a motion to accept the Treasurers report, seconded by Pete, passing unanimously. For a WBWC insurance policy, a discussion was held citing a sample policy being pursued by the Friends of the Border To Border Trail from McKay Insurance. A motion was made by Robert, seconded by Barbara, to spend no more than \$700 for a general liability and Directors and Officers policy, passing unanimously with Robert following up on the insurance.

11. Membership Committee – Erica noted that the WBWC currently has 77 members. Barbara made a motion, seconded by Robert, that all Board members contact five individuals in the next month asking them to join the WBWC, passing by a majority. A motion was also made by Erica, seconded by Robert, to spend up to \$150 for League of Michigan Bicyclist educational materials, passing unanimously.

12. Projects Committee – Larry reviewed the proposed WBWC-driven effort to route the Border To Border Trail under Fuller Road at the Huron River bridge. A motion was made by Larry, seconded by Robert, to approve a WBWC Funding Commitment Form related to the Fuller Road/Huron River B2B project, passing unanimously. On funding the WBWC Fuller Road-Huron River B2B project, a motion was made by Robert, seconded by Barbara for the WBWC to commit to donate \$2500 with up to another \$2500 match for individual contributions made under an electronic funding program such as Go Fund Me.

13. Bicycle Advisory Committee – No new updates.

14. New Business & Future Agenda Items – None.

15. Adjourn – A motion was made by Erica, seconded by Robert, to adjourn the meeting, passing unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm with the next Board meeting being Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at the Ecology Center.