# WBWC Board Retreat 2017 January 29th, 2017, 10:00am.

The Ecology Center, 339 E. Liberty, Suite 300, Ann Arbor, MI

#### **Call To Order**

Peter called the meeting to order @ 10:10am.

**Board Members Present**: Erica Briggs

Peter Houk
Barbara Lucas
Larry Deck
Bradley Parsons
Tracy Beeson
David Shinabarger

Robert Gordon

Guests: Valerie Shinabarger

### **Adoption of Agenda**

Robert Gordon moved to adopt, Larry seconded. Motion passed 8-0. Agenda passed.

#### **Election of New Officers**

David Shinabarger was elected secretary.

Erica Briggs was elected vice-chair.

#### **Review of Previous Meeting Notes**

Larry had two small editions to make for the previous meeting, created comments on google drive document for previous meetings minutes.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

We are solvent. Set \$1000 from Paypal into checking account. Larry motioned to adopt the report. Pete seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

#### Communication from the Chair

## **SWOT Exercise** [10:25 - 11:25]

Strengths - weaknesses - opportunities - threats.

All board members (except David) had sent in notes about SWOT exercise notes, Erica led reviewing the notes.

Highlights here: click this link.

#### 2017 External Goals

Review of 2016 goals. — very lofty and many were not achieved. Most legislative and infrastructure goals were met.

<u>Created & Summarized Annual Goals</u> with the goal of being more SMART goals and less abstract goals.

Improve crash analysis process in AA and Ypsi and countywide

- Use technology to improve issue tracking
- Test issue tracking/mapping database. board members log 3 issues each in various systems (bikemaps.org to start)
- Solicit feedback from general membership/community
- 5 Foot passing
  - Organize washtenaw county support for passage of state law and support of local ord.
  - Decide on future rollout to Ypsilanti and Wash. County
  - Support education effort on new ordinance
- Quarterly meetings with Howard Lazarus
- Crosswalk guidelines passed by local city council
  - Create quantifiable guidelines that are consistent and similar to Boulder, CO.
  - Greater transparency
- Improve crosswalks
  - Get strong guidelines adopted by AA council
  - Develop position statement on budget prioritization

Project priorities (infrastructure)

- Keep Bandemer N and S crossings on CIP and county plans for 2018 and 2019 (B2B)
- Keep Maiden and Fuller projects on city CIP for 201X (intersection) (B2B and C2C)
- Get Fuller/Huron River project funded on the CIP (B2B and C2C)
- Increase private commitments for Fuller project to \$25,000

#### Board lunch

Board took a break from 12:35-1pm to eat pizza. Continued meeting afterward.

Research transportation prioritization model

#### **Annual Goals**

- Membership size

- Website update/refresh
  - Next steps for conflict/crashes
  - Next steps for engagement/conversion to get people on our e-mail list
- Council Agendas
- Be better in reaction

# **Bicycle Advisory Council/Bike Alliance**

- Overview
  - Brad presented a powerpoint outlining the Bike Alliance. View the presentation here.
- Financial Support
- Bike Summit
  - Expenses budget

Board had extensive conversation discussing funding, bookkeeping, and legal contingencies and plan.

Board agrees to support up to \$500 startup costs and up to \$500 for bookkeeping and support of the Bike Alliance subject to approval by WBWC of budget.

Erica moved the motion. Pete seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

- Bike Summit (schedule in powerpoint presentation)
  - Part of the BAC & co-sponsored by WBWC & Common Cycle
  - Brad proposed spending up to \$100 to match a donation from Common Cycle for food @ the Bike Summit in February 2017
- Erica motions to spend up to \$100 on Expenses and refreshments.
- David seconded.
- Motion passed 8-0.

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# Discussed the following internal goals:

Improve volunteer outreach with specific e-mail call to actions for membership & more.

Barbara brought up an annual biking event around Argo Park — tabled until more details are decided and members can bring a concrete proposal for the board to approve.

Improve committee structure & regular meeting cadence.

- Board discussed committee restructuring & project meetings to how to organize the committees and intentionally invite members to participate on projects
- Board discussed sharing our current campaigns and projects we're working on with the newsletter

-deferred internal goals to the next board meeting.

# Other Business Items/Open Discussion:

- Letter to U of M
- Event with Barbara & David & Valerie
- Coordination with A2Transport meeting

# **Adjourn**

- Larry motions to adjourn. Pete seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm.