

WBWC Board Meeting Agenda

March 2017

March 16, 2017 7:00pm-9:00pm

Ecology Center, 339 E. Liberty, Ste. 300, Ann Arbor, MI

Mission: To make Washtenaw County a national leader in bicycling and walking by improving facilities, policies, and community support through advocacy and education.

Call to Orders

Pete started the meeting at 7:05pm.

Board Members Present:

Erica Briggs

Peter Houk

Larry Deck

Bradley Parsons

Tracy Beeson

David Shinabarger

Bob Krzewinski

Robert Gordon

Adoption of Agenda

Erica moved to adopt the agenda. All present board members voted to adopt the agenda.

Chair Updates

Link here: <https://goo.gl/t2XxgU>

Review mission statement

Look ahead to next month

Modification of Standing committees

Recommended changes by Peter Houk:

-- *Proposed Bylaws Change:*

Proposal to change section 5.1 is shown below. Section 5.2 is also shown for reference but no changes to 5.2 are included in this proposal.

Change section 5.1 of the bylaws to read:

5.1 Standing Committees. *The standing Committees of the Washtenaw Bicycling and Walking Coalition shall include:*

- *Nominating*
- *Membership*

Each Committee shall have such functions as are assigned to it from time to time by the Board of Directors. A Committee designated by the Board may exercise any powers of the Board in managing the Washtenaw Bicycling and Walking Coalition's business and affairs, to the extent provided by the written resolution of the Board. The designation and appointment of any such Committee and the delegation and appointment of such Committee and delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual Director, of any responsibility imposed by law. No Committee, however, shall have the power to:

- a. amend the Articles of Incorporation;*
- b. adopt an agreement of merger;*
- c. amend the By-Laws of the Corporation;*
- d. fill vacancies on the Board of Directors;*
- e. fix compensation of the Directors for serving on the Board or a Committee;*
- f. recommend to members the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the Corporations property or assets;*
- g. recommend to the members a dissolution of the Corporation or a revocation of dissolution; or*
- h. terminate memberships.*

Erica moved that we strike all committees from the bylaws section except for the nominating committee. So, **the adopted phrasing is:**

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5.2 Special Committees. The Board of Directors may authorize the establishment and termination of special Committees for temporary activities of the Washtenaw Bicycling and Walking Coalition. Board.

4) Larry moves that minor changes to 2017 goals and committees: keep nominating a separate committee and assign it the goal of nominating board members and directors.

Changes to the by-laws were approved.

Secretary Notes

February Minutes: Larry moves to adopt the February meetings. All present board members voted to pass the February notes.

Calendar:

November Minutes: <https://goo.gl/BV77P1>

Treasurer Report

March Report: <https://goo.gl/iVX4xL>

Robert moved to pass the treasury reports. Larry seconded. All board members present voted.

Communications

Newsletter: Ideas for the upcoming newsletter to include.

Meeting Reports: <https://goo.gl/Gs679v>

Education / Outreach

Sunset Slow Roll -- David doesn't have a hard ask, but will bring specific ask for the board for the next meeting.

Bike Day at REI: Saturday, March 25th from 11am-2pm. David volunteered to run a booth to process memberships, talk to REI about potential sponsorship/partnership, etc.

Bike Events:

3/31: Campus Bike Club/Bike-In Events

5/6/2017: Ypsi -- Bike Rodeo fair at Lincoln Elementary -- giving away helmets

5/12/2017: Bike Rodeo -- another elementary school

Government Relations Committee

Update on Crosswalk Guidelines: Update from Erica: Last meeting in February, suggested adopted

changes. Update from Howard Lazarus is that he has no plans to have crosswalk guidelines to be adopted by city council.

Additional Government Presentation Review Erica presented on the budget update from the city, and recommended that at this point that we don't make a formal response, but there are a number of various ideas that do need an informal response.

South University Bike Lanes

Brad brought up sidewalk development in these areas -- and whether we should support these or not because they directly conflict plans for bike infrastructure on these road projects for S. University & State St. . The plans come from the downtown development authority, and there are biking members in the community who are upset that this directly conflicts with the bike plan.

Bike Alliance / BAC Updates

Bike Alliance Meeting -- Status

Quick win recommendation from Alliance (8:30pm)

5 foot passing campaign

Proposing that it has WBWC name on it, the city logo on it, and other local organizations support it Tracy recommends brainstorming session for different design options -- test them out with various groups, take feedback, and then make it better before taking to the city for approval.

Projects

Statement in favor of Zeeb Trail -- Larry

-- Approved

Statement in favor of tunnel under train tracks at Argo Dam -- Larry

-- Approved

Hewitt B2B to Carpenter Connector

Brad noted a new potential route crossing diagonally SW to NE in Ypsilanti & Pittsfield township using public right-of-ways to build a great connection for the community.

SRTS for Northside

Tracy -- figuring out how to identify safer bike routes regarding safe routes to schools for students to get to/from STEAM safely. (https://groups.google.com/d/msg/wbwc-board/67_VIXSv_hg/fp3v1ZtdAwAJ)

New Business

Adjourn

Erica made a motion to adjourn at 9:06 PM, Larry seconded. All members present voted to adjourn.