

BIKEWAYS AND WALKWAYS COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2020 at 12:00 PM
Council Chambers Room

Member Attendance:

Keith Yoho (Chair)
Bob Lange (Vice Chair)
Lesley Orr
Mark Collier - Absent
Chip Dennerlein- Absent
Daniel Edwards
Cliff Kuhlman
Dana Christensen - Absent
Paul Hart
Heidi Morris

City/Staff/Council Liaisons:

Tyler Flaming (City Council)
Daren Fowler (County Commissioner) - Absent
Wade Elliott (Public Works Assistant Director)
Rob Brandes (JoCo Public Works) - Absent
Jenna Stanke Marmon (ODOT) - Absent
Aaron Cubic (City Manager) - Absent

Public:

1. **Roll Call:**
 - Chair Yoho opened the meeting and took roll.
2. **Introductions:**
 - None.
3. **Public Comment:**
 - None.
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - Approval of minutes from March 10, 2020

MOTION/VOTE

Member Orr moved, and Vice Chair Lange seconded the motion to approve the minutes from March 10, 2020. The vote resulted as follows: “AYES”: Chair Yoho, Vice Chair Lange, Members Orr, Edwards, Kuhlman, Morris, and Hart. “NAYS”: None. Absent for vote: Members Collier, Dennerlein, and Christensen. The motion passed.

5. **Action Items:**
 - Review Committee applications (if applicable) – None.
6. **Matters from Committee Members and Staff:**
 - City/County Project Update –
 - Wade reported that they are moving forward with the Hawthorne and Hillcrest Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon project, 10th St. and Pepperwood Stormdrain project, Sun Glo Reconstruction project, B St. Sidewalks project, and the Overlays projects. The streets for this fiscal year will be Crown St. from Morgan to Starlite, J St. from Pine to 4th St., Hawthorne from A St. to Evelyn, and 2nd St. from Evelyn to Manzanita.
 - Wade stated that the County is getting ready to put sidewalks in on Highland from the assisted living community to Vine St. on both sides of the road.
 - There was discussion on the failing retaining wall in front of the church on 10th Street.

- Member Kuhlman mentioned that there wasn't an ADA ramp at Highland and Sandy Ln. Also, there are no painted crosswalks by the high school on A St.
- Member Orr stated that Jenna Marmon is working on the Rogue River Greenway path project and will keep the committee informed on updates.
- Wade stated that ODOT should be working on the 6th & 7th St. sidewalk project in August. ODOT is also working on the Southern Oregon Bridge Retrofit program. The bridges that will be affected in our area are the Hillcrest overpass, as well as the ones at 6th & 7th St. These projects are scheduled for the beginning of next calendar year.
- Wade mentioned that due to the Covid restrictions, our gas tax revenues are down by about \$750,000 YTD. This will affect some of the larger projects, which will be rescheduled for the following year.
- Councilor Flaming stated that the City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with a Destination Management organization for Dollar Mountain. Travel Southern Oregon has agreed to split the cost with the City for that grant. He also stated that they completed a survey that will be going out to all the contiguous landowners.
- Member Hart stated that Cathedral Hills is reopened. He said the new Sugar Bowl Trail has had a lot of horse traffic which is causing damage to the bike trails. There are signs at some of the trails that state that they are not maintained for equestrian use. He would like this committee to talk to BLM about having horses yield to hikers and bikers on trails not maintained for equestrian use. Vice Chair Lange suggested sending a letter to Bill Dean at BLM.
- Ride the Rogue
 - Member Orr stated that they are still going forward with Ride the Rogue. It is scheduled for September 26. They are keeping a close watch on the restrictions and regulation. She stated that they need more volunteers.

7. Future Agenda Building for Next Meeting

- Red Robin Update
- Ride the Rogue
- Merlin Railroad Crossing

8. Adjournment

- Chair Yoho adjourned the meeting at 12:54

Next meeting date: July 14, 2020 at 12:00 pm in the Council Chambers

Minutes prepared by Dianne Phelan, City Public Works Department.