

Morgantown Municipal Bicycle Board

Meeting – 6 August 2015, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Members Present: Drew Gatlin, Frank Gmeindl, Jonathan Nellis, Marilyn Newcome, Gunnar Shogren, Chip Wamsley, Jing Zhang

Agenda Items and Relative Notes:

2 / 3 : SLM / BMUFL sign locations

- Neither Damien nor Derek (the presenters) were present. It was noted that Derek is the PM on this project and should be encouraged to finish the proposal and submit it to Damien ASAP. Frank estimated an unallocated \$6000 in the current proposal and encouraged the committee to devise a plan that used all if not more than the total budget. “See what sticks”. Was estimated to have at least a 6 month timeline (February) before implementation. More committee meetings needed

4: Bicycle Friendly Community Signs

- We have 3 remaining to be installed – still not sure when these will be installed (TABLED)

5: Bicycle Parking (Meter) Rings

- Reported that we have 3 unused parking rings and at least 1 missing – let’s find it!
- It was suggested that we take a more proactive approach to securing the signs before road improvement projects take place and meters are removed due to construction.
- Next project that could result in missing rings is the Walnut St. improvement – **let’s remove the rings before they disappear** from construction projects.
- Where should we install the rest? We need also to install a post if we are to place one in front of certain locations (for example, in front of Daily Grind).

6: Bicycle Locker Signage

- Who has the file? Why hasn’t it been put up yet?
- The locker may disappear – Chip will talk to Tom Arnold regarding new placement

7: Mon. Blvd. Bicycle Climbing Lane

- Everything is in place (?) besides adamant support from DOH and lackluster cooperation from WVU
- Jing will clarify Fouad’s (and therefore DOH’s) position when they meet next
- Jonathan Nellis and Drew will attempt to drum up support at WVU
 - We need key players’ public support – like Gordon Gee, student government, WVU DOT
- Due to the next agenda item, the climbing lane’s significance and importance is HIGH

8: [Bicycle Friendly Community Award](#)

- We are up for renewal and confidence is low without major infrastructure projects to highlight
- As per the website, the [next round application deadline](#) is February 11th, 2016

9: Confident Cycling Courses

- We are operating on a two year timeline to restart classes and generate more instructors
- Two lists needed – **Jing is heading this up**
 - Newbies
 - Potential instructors
 - We still have money in the BBT (?) grant to train instructors (travel + time)
 - But we don't have money to pay instructors and to subsidize the classes
- CPASS used to host the classes – do we want to pursue working with them again?
 - The past enthusiasm was likely due to Hugh, the old WVU DOT, championing the cause
- Do we want to offer more than the intro class? Basic, Intermediate, Advanced?
- Should we explore alternative class certifying bodies? e.g. Cycling Savvy?
- Instructors should sign a contract with the city – if city is to pay for their certification they must offer to teach so many hours or else pay the money back into a fund for other instructors

10: Bicycle Board Administration Improvements

- It was suggested and agreed upon at the meeting that business which “seems non-controversial” should be voted on at meetings where a quorum is not achieved and then presented to the other voting members for consideration over the next month. If no objections are made, the voted item would then be considered “passed”
- Drew volunteered to be secretary, all present voted Aye
 - Any objections?
- We should make a point to check in regarding excess budget coffers BEFORE the end of the fiscal year – i.e. in June let's always have an agenda item that checks on leftover monies needing to be spent.
- We need to get a firm hold on current members.
 - Confirmed, Voting (11)
 - Gunnar Shogren (5th Ward)
 - Frank Gmeindl (6th Ward)
 - Marilyn Newcome (7th Ward)
 - Jonathan Rosenbaum (7th Ward)
 - Traci Knabenshue (WVU)
 - Chip Wamsley (Greater Morgantown) (Chair)
 - Derek Springston (Greater Morgantown)
 - Jing Zhang (Greater Morgantown) (serves as voting *and* MPO ex-officio)
 - Jonathan Nellis (Greater Morgantown) (new)
 - Drew Gatlin (1st Ward) (new)
 - Harry Grandon (?) (new)
 - Unconfirmed, Voting (3)
 - Colin Dierman (1st Ward)
 - Emily Vasile (2nd Ward)
 - Andrew Walker (5th Ward)
 - Confirmed, Ex-Officio (6)
 - Damien Davis (City Engineering)

- Jenny Selin (7th Ward, City of Morgantown)
- David Bruffy (Mountain Line)
- 1st Sgt. Matt McCabe (Morgantown Police)
- Sam Stone (Legal)
- Christiaan Abildso (Morgantown Pedestrian Safety Board)
- Vacant, Voting
 - Greater Morgantown
 - 2nd Ward (maybe)
 - 3rd Ward
 - 4th Ward
 - 2 more from city neighborhoods
 - Traffic Commission
 - Youth Commission
 - WVU Cycling
- Vacant, Ex-Officio (3)
 - Transit Authority
 - BOPARC
 - WVU DOT/Parking