

HUDSON BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY OF HUDSON, WISCONSIN

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 5:30 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers, 505 Third Street

AGENDA

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1. Call to Order
2. Discussion and possible action on March 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes
3. New Business
 - A. Discussion and possible action on the nomination of the 2019/2020 Committee Leader.
 - B. Discussion and possible action on the Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan's community visioning/public engagement schedule.
4. Communications and Items for Future Agendas
 - A. Set next meeting date
5. Adjournment

Posted in City Hall lobbies and emailed to *Hudson Star Observer* on 6/21/2019

Notice is hereby given that a majority of the City Council may be present at the aforementioned meeting of the Plan Commission to gather information about a subject over which they have decision making responsibility. This constitutes a meeting of the City Council pursuant to State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village Bd., 173 Wis. 2d 553, 494 N. W. 2d 408 (1993), and must be noticed as such, although the Council will not take any formal action at this meeting.

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The Hudson Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Tiffany Weiss at 5:33 p.m.

PRESENT. Dag Selander, Kathy Muller, Nancy Huntley, and Marian Webber.

ABSENT. Jerry Bauer and Jim Webber.

OTHERS PRESENT. Tiffany Weiss and Michael Mroz.

Discussion and possible action on October 15, 2018 meeting minutes. Motion by Kathy Muller, seconded by Marian Webber to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2018 Hudson Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting. All ayes (4). Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

None.

NEW BUSINESS.

Discussion and possible action on Lakefront Park Trail width expansion project. Tiffany summarized the item, explaining that Wisconsin DOT has multi-use two-way trail width requirements of at least 10ft. Marian Webber further explained that both Wisconsin as well as Minnesota have similar policy when it comes to two-way trail widths, but recommended that the trail be expanded even further to 12ft citing safety reasons and the opportunity to connect to the Loop Trail project between Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Michael Mroz, the Public Works and Parks Director, explained that the Wisconsin DOT is only willing to widen the trail along 2nd Street south of Buckeye to a point. As for the rest of the Lakefront Park trail, in order to widen it, the whole thing would need to be torn up because contractors won't just add a thin strip to the side of the trail. Assuming similar costs as to the Heggen Street Trail restoration, it would cost approximately \$300,000.

Michael Mroz suggested incorporating this project into the Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (which will be proposed in the following agenda item). That way, this opens up more opportunities for DNR grant funding since the trail is within the St Croix Riverway.

Marian moved to approve that the Lakefront Park Trail width expansion project be added to the Hudson Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. Dag seconded. All ayes (4). Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on creating a Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

Michael Mroz summarized the need for a Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and reviewed parts of the New Richmond master plan to provide examples to the group.

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Marian asked that the Bicycle and Pedestrian committee be allowed to be involved in the draft. Nancy requested the same. Kathy noted that this is an exciting thing and that she's glad the group is finally creating something like this. She also mentioned that she had been part of other workgroups similar to this in which bike/ped plans were drafted and created (such as the St Croix County Master Bike and Pedestrian Plan), but aside from that, she feared that since she doesn't know much about what is going on in the community that she won't be able to supply enough information to this plan. She requested that the group be notified of bicycle and pedestrian-related projects in advance to assist with the development of this document and so that everyone is kept on the same page.

Tiffany confirmed that the draft would be brought to future bicycle and pedestrian committee meetings so that group members would be able to contribute to the document. Mroz stated that he could possibly keep the group more 'in-the-know' as far as projects around the city that may concern the master plan's development.

Marian asked who all worked on the New Richmond Master Plan. Mroz said the City ran most of it. Mroz further recommended that this plan be drafted in the next few months and a couple of open house meetings held to gather community info, so that way this plan may be added to the 2019 Comprehensive Plan update that is currently underway.

Nancy moved to approve the drafting of the Hudson Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. Marian seconded. All ayes (4). Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS.

During the meeting, retaining wall measures were discussed between Marian Webber and Michael Mroz as the retaining walls in the downtown area are starting to fall into the sidewalks, creating hazards and a lack of walking space. Mroz confirmed that a new and more in-depth retaining wall policy has been drafted and will be proposed at the next public works committee meeting.

The scheduling of bike/ped meetings has been changed to quarterly as discussion was held, and it was agreed upon, that this committee does not need to meet every month as there is not enough to discuss that frequently. All future meeting times are permanently set at 5:30pm to allow all committee members enough time to get to city hall.

The next quarterly meeting will be scheduled in late June or early July 2019.

ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Nancy Huntley, seconded by Dag Selander to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. All ayes (4). Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Tiffany Weiss, Acting Secretary



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TO: Hudson Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

FROM: Community Development

DATE: June 26, 2019

SUBJECT: Discussion and possible action on the nomination of the 2019-2020
Committee Chairperson

BACKGROUND:

Per City of Hudson Ordinance 2-15, the Hudson Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is required to elect its chairperson around May of each year. Currently, the committee chairperson is Jerry Bauer. Mr. Bauer may be re-elected or someone new may be voted in to take his place in leading committee meetings and discussions on future actionable items.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Hold a vote on the 2019-2020 HBPAC Committee Leader.

Prepared by: Olivia Neeffe, Community Development Intern
Through: Mike Johnson, AICP, Community Development Director



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SUBJECT: Discussion and possible action on the Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan's community visioning / public engagement schedule

BACKGROUND:

Master plans require a civic engagement component in order for the plan to truly reflect the values of the public. Below is a proposed list of events and strategies for public engagement that have proven effective for such cities as New Richmond, St. Paul, and the St. Croix County at large:

- Open House Meetings w/ map of Current Infrastructure
 - Sticky note strategy
- Online Survey including open ended questions for respondents to provide feedback
- Meeting in a Box: Information brought to a variety of community events, input and "votes" submitted via box.
- Walk/Bike/ADA audits with community members, where community members walk or bike in the community to identify opportunities and challenges

ACTION REQUESTED:

Choose a public engagement strategy to utilize for the Master Bike and Ped Plan

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