



OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION

BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 18, 2018 | 2:00 p.m.
290 E. Central, Springfield, MO

MEMBERS PRESENT

Randy Brown	Tom Johnson
King Coltrin	Joel Keller
Derek Estell	Frank Miller
Debra Hickey	John Montgomery
David Hutchison	Cameron Smith

GUESTS

Cole Pruitt

STAFF PRESENT

Natasha Longpine
Andy Thomason

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m.

2. MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 14, 2018 MEETING

John Montgomery made the motion to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2018 meeting and David Hutchison seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. NIXA BIKE/PED TRAIL INVESTMENT STUDY UPDATE

Andy Thomason reviewed progress on the Nixa component of the Trail Investment Study. Alta is working on existing conditions and reviewing ideas Nixa had developed about 10 years ago. A public meeting was held April 17, 2018 with 10 to 12 attendees. The meeting covered input on the alignments and concerns. One attendee discussed a group ride that travels a western route to Delaware Town. The meeting provided opportunities for input via dot surveys covering study goals, trail typologies, and trailhead amenities. Maps were also provided for alignment discussions. Additional input received indicated support for a connection to Wilson's Creek Battlefield.

4. REGIONAL BICYCLE DESTINATION PLAN

A meeting is scheduled with the City of Nixa and community partners on April 26, 2018 to seek input on destinations and routes for the OTO Regional Bicycle Destination Plan. This will be similar to the meeting held with Ozark. City, County, Chamber, and School officials will all be present.



5. BIKE/PED DESIGN STANDARDS

Discussion on the Bike/Ped Design Standards revolved around how the current proposed standards reflect City of Springfield implementations and not necessarily national standards. The committee wanted the standards to define low and moderate traffic volume road characteristics. Derrick Estell from the City of Springfield offered to share their draft Bikeway Signing and Marking Guide with the committee. Additional discussion focused on the standards as a requirement or reference. It was preferred that the standards be a reference initially and work on getting to requirements. The comment was also made that the standards should address ADA and define wheeled non-motorized vehicles.

6. WALKABILITY ACTION INSTITUTE OUTCOMES

Natasha Longpine and Derrick Estell recapped the Walkability Action Institute. The course was four days in Decatur, GA with faculty from around the country discussing topics of walkability, such as perspective, priorities, diversity and inclusion, health, and infrastructure. The purpose was to bring diverse disciplines from a community together in order to get everyone on the same page working toward policy, systems, and environmental changes in each team's community. The deliverable from the course is an Action Plan developed by attendees for how to implement walkability. The Springfield Team was comprised of Natasha Longpine, Derrick Estell, Randall Whitman, Mary Kromrey, Julie Viele, Ashley Krug, and Richard Ollis. A draft action plan has been developed and so far includes goals for education through walk audits and other symposiums, policy review, and walkability as a key goal of the upcoming comprehensive plan.

7. OTHER

Randy Brown mentioned BAM in Willard on 6/17/2018 where there will be an attempt to break a record for longest human/bike chain, along with music and a beer garden. The portion of Fulbright Spring by David C. Murray has been dedicated and though ground has not been broken on the remaining portion, another seven miles will be complete by the end of the year, connecting Ritter Springs to Truman Elementary. Bike to Work Week is in May and this year will be referred to as Bike, Walk, and Wheel Week with an expanded focus on getting people out and about, whether it's part of a commute, going to school, or just for activity.

8. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m. with a motion by King Coltrin and a second by Frank Miller.