



Delaware Bicycle Council
August 7th, 2013
DeIDOT Administration Building
Meeting Notes

Members Present

Tom Felice, DeIDOT Representative
Tom Hartley, Kent County Representative
Sgt. George Heberling, DE State Police Representative
James Ireland, DE Greenways Council
Roger Roy, At-Large Representative
Amy Wilburn, Chair & At- Large Representative

DeIDOT Support Staff

Anthony Aglio, Bicycle Coordinator DeIDOT
Drew Boyce, Director, Planning
Kari Glanden-Morris, Administrative Assistant DeIDOT

Members Absent

Fred Breukelman, Dept. of Public Health Representative
Walt Bryan, Sussex County Representative
Fran Cardaci, At-Large Representative
Allison Kirk, Office of Highway Safety
Mike Krumrine, DNREC Representative
Mike Tyler, At-Large Representative
John Ray, Department of Education
Ted Williams, Council & Transportation

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm

I. Welcome

Amy Wilburn welcomed the members to the meeting. There were no minutes to vote on Amy and Anthony compiled notes from the June meeting. The recorder we used failed and we were unable to recover any data to transcribe for minutes for the month of June.

II. FEATURED TOPICS

2014 Funding

Drew Boyce, Director of Planning updated the council on funding. There is continuation of Shared Used Pathways and Trails. There are two active open end contracts to work under for funding for the Shared Used Pathways and Trails. There is a considerable spend plan for 2014, a larger plan for 2015 and then planned finish in 2016. Anthony Aglio has a list of the projects that are included and what phase they are in. (Attached)

Letter Response from Shailen

Amy received a response to her letter to Shailen and she will be meeting with Shailen in September to go over the contents of her letter.

There is a pool of money being set up from developer money. Money is being kept divided up by each county as a “connections” type fund. This money will help with barriers and connections, etc. Anthony Aglio and Drew Boyce asked the Council to get together a list of projects that need connections finished that they can discuss and possibly a lot this money for. They ask that the MPO’s also be contacted to help compile this short list.

Pave & Rehab List

Amy Wilburn sent this list out to the council for review from the bond bill. She emailed this list to the council a few weeks ago and is asking for feedback on the list. Please send your comments to Anthony Aglio and he will compile the list for Amy. Please note that not all roads will be eligible for this list.

III. OLD BUSINESS

FSTPP

There will be a meeting September 12th, 2013 that Anthony Aglio will be attending.

Lists for Secretary Bhatt

Amy Wilburn spoke with Mark Luszc about a lot of small improvements for Sussex County. Route 7 in New Castle will have a striping change North of Milltown Rd. They are looking to put sharrows and a sign that says “Bikes May Use Full Lane” on Papermill Road on the bridge over the White Clay Creek where the bike lanes disappear.

Facilities to Encourage Bike Commuting (Response to letter)

Amy Wilburn received a response from Dennis Groom. (attached) If people are requesting bicycle racks please send the requests to Mr. Groom. Current facilities and upgrades don’t allow for showers unless there is an expressed need for them. This would require workers to work over night shifts, etc. Anthony Aglio will mention this to the Delaware Health Committee he is a member of to see if they can be of any assistance or have any suggestions.

Christiana Mall Path

DelDOT contacted the Christiana Mall and they are OK with having the pathway but NOT during this construction period. They will provide a connection through the golf course. Drew Boyce will be meeting with the mall directors to discuss. DelDOT is asking for a complete streets connection to accommodate all the modes in that area to make the link complete. This will not happen until after the Cabela's is constructed. The goat path will reopen sometime next year. The mall also has no objection to people walking on their property.

Tar and Chip Studies

No update - Mike Tyler was absent.

Police Training

Bud Heberling was unable to meet with this past recruitment class. Bud could not locate the program that was created by Don Carbaugh. There will be an in-service class in the spring and fall and Bud will address the class then if he has located the program or possibly make a new program from the Driver's ED program he created. He will work on a new program for the recruitment class that will begin in January. Bud did submit an article for the monthly shift briefing and to municipalities; this included information on how Officers can enforce and charge someone with the Vulnerable Users charge. Amy also asked Bud to set up a meeting with Law Enforcement Officials to discuss the different cycling laws.

BEST

Amy undated the council about BEST, a committee comprised of members of different agencies and organizations who are attempting to coordinate the bicycle education efforts throughout the state, to serve as a resource, and to eventually make bike education/active transportation education part of the curriculum in schools throughout the state. They are currently working on developing an overview of the efforts that are currently underway and are approaching teachers to get buy in. Finding schools and teachers who are willing to participate is a challenge.

Heels and Wheels Summit 2014

The Heels and Wheels Summit will be held at University of Delaware Clayton Hall on March 21, 2014. The anticipated cost is \$11,000.00. The money is being handled by DNREC Parks and Recreation and they will be taking over the management of the summit. The priorities are being set and everything is in the works.

Driver's Ed Power Point and Bob Wheeler Safety Video

These projects are on hold until the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year.

IV. UPDATES

Bike Safety Checkpoints

See Attachment

Bike for Yes You Can

Vicki George from Yes You Can received her bicycle. The cost was approximately \$2040.00 and that came out of this year's funds.

Bike Memorial

There was a small quiet ceremony held on June 25th at the Smyrna Rest Area. Along with Anthony and Amy there were also members of White Clay Bike Club in attendance and Carol Ireland spoke about Bob Wheeler. The plaque for the memorial and Bob Wheeler's brick were put in place.

See It Both Ways

The See It Both Ways campaign purchased and handed out over 5,000 lights that were given out at the fair. A radio spot has been recorded and we are looking for funds to get it on the air. Dawn Hopkins is taking the lead on this project.

Bike Rack- Carvel

A new rack has been installed and is in use every day.

Hagley Event

Tom Felice attended the event for the council. He had approximately 200 people in attendance. He handed out lights and safety materials.

Council Memberships

Anthony Aglio will make contact with the Governor's Office to find out the status of all the members.

V. EVENTS

A bicycle transportation alternatives meeting will be in Wilmington on August 22nd, 2013 from 4-7pm at the City/County building.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:02 pm

2014 Funding Attachment

ALL DATES ARE TENTATIVE

1st State Trails and Pathways Program

New Castle County Projects

Construction

1. **C&D Canal Mainline Pathway** – under construction, scheduled to be completed sometime in 2013. Total of 9.5 miles of pathway and 2 trail heads
2. **Hopkins Bridge Road Pedestrian Improvements** - completed.
3. **Northern Delaware Greenway, Tally Road Trail** – under construction, scheduled to be completed by the end of 2013.

Design

4. **C&D Canal Pathway, Branch Canal Section** – under design, trail connection into Delaware City. Construction scheduled to begin April 2014
5. **C&D Canal Pathway, MD. Stateline connector** – under design, mainline trail connection into MD. Stateline. Construction scheduled to begin October 2014
6. **Rt. 273 Multi-Use Pathway** – under design, multi-use trail on the north side of Rt. 273 from Rt. 13 near Farmers Market to 10th Street. Project to include at grade crossing of Rt. 273 near industrial Track Greenway. Construction scheduled to begin August 2013.

Concept Planning

7. **Churchman's Road East Coast Greenway Trail Segment** – conceptual planning study looking into improvement to Churchman's Road intersection to increase pedestrian and bicycle safety. Planning study scheduled to be completed November 2013
8. **Newark to Wilmington Trail Study** – conceptual planning study evaluating multi-use routes between Newark and Wilmington for alternative transportation needs. Planning study scheduled to be completed by February 2014

9. **Industrial Track Greenway Phase III** – detailed concept plan and cost analysis on approved route that will connect into existing trail on Southside of Christina River. Project to include a bridge across the Christina River, elevated boardwalk structure through marsh and connection into DuPont Nature Center. This phase of the project will be completed December 2013.
10. **C&D Canal Trail to Glasgow to Christina Pathway** – conceptual planning study evaluating alternative placement of trails within referenced locations. Study scheduled to be completed in 2014
11. **Industrial Track Greenway Phase IV** – concept plan to determine trail alignment from industrial track greenway to Battery Park. Study scheduled to be completed May 2014

Kent County

Construction

12. **Capital City Trail Phase I** – under construction, multi-use trail from Public Safety Blvd. along US13 north to MLK Blvd. and terminating near Legislative Hall. Project scheduled to be completed October 2013

Design

13. **Capital City Trail Phase II** – under design, multi-use trail facility extending phase I to Lookerman Street. Project scheduled for construction March 2014
14. **Capital city Trail Phase III** – under design, multi-use trail extending phase II along Park Drive and connecting into trail facility within Silver Lake Park. Project scheduled for construction October 2014
15. **St. Jones Greenway, Rt. 10 Bridge Crossing to Gateway Shopping Center** – under design, trail facility along south side of Rt. 10 from Air Base Housing and ending near Gateway Shopping Center. Project scheduled for construction summer 2015
16. **Killen Pond Road Trail resurfacing** – under design, resurfacing existing trail facility along Killens Pond Road. Project scheduled for construction Fall 2013

Concept Planning

17. **West Street Connector** – concept plan evaluating trail alignments between new DART facility and existing trail facility along North Street in Dover. Study scheduled to be completed June 2014

18. **Rt. 10 to Brecknock Park Trail** – concept plan evaluating trail options and alignments along Rt. 10 between Gateway Shopping Center and Brecknock Park. Study scheduled to be completed June 2014

Sussex County

Construction

19. **Garfield Parkway Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements** – under construction, pedestrian and bicycle improvements along Garfield Parkway from SR1 to Atlantic Avenue. North side construction complete. South side construction scheduled to begin in October 2013

Design

20. **Junction and Breakwater Trail into Lewes** – on hold pending resolution of legal issues with Breakwater community.
21. **Georgetown to Lewes Rail with Trail Phase I** – under design, trail segment from Gills Neck Road to Savannah Road adjacent to railroad corridor. Construction scheduled for October 2014

Concept Planning

22. **Junction and Breakwater Trail connection to Rehoboth Avenue** – planning study evaluating alignment options to connect existing trail to Rehoboth Avenue. Study scheduled to be completed August 2014

Bike Safety Checkpoint Information

	Date	Time	Location	Contacts	Resident	Vacationer	Summer Employee	LIGHT SETS	HELMETS	Notes		
1	5.30	8-11 AM	Nike/Sun Tom	24	5		19	22	8			
2	6.60	9AM -2PM	Nike/Sun Tom	22	6	4	12	16	7			
3	6.10	10AM- 1P	Rehoboth Ave	RAIN OUT								
4	6.13	8AM - 11A	Nike/Sun Tom	SUSSEX CYCLISTS HAS DATA FORMS								
5	6.18	8AM - 11A	Dewey	78	8	70		35	5			
6	6.20	8-11 AM	Nike/Sun Tom	22	1		21	16	6			
7	6.25	4PM- 7PM	Rehoboth Ave	42	20	13	19	32	12			
8	6.27	8-11 AM	Nike/Sun Tom	44	4		40	37	11			
9	6.28	9AM - 12P	South Bethnay	62	40	22		54	41			
10	7.10	9AM - 12P	Sea Shell Shop	17			17	15	6			
11	7.90	10AM- 1P	Nike/Sun Tom	44	15	9	20	22	5			
12	7.11	8-11 AM	Nike/Sun Tom	RAINED								
13	7.15	3 - 6 PM	Nike/Sun Tom	17			17	16	4			
14	7.16	8-11 AM	J/B Trailhead Wo	61	22	39		60	16			
15	7.17	5-8 PM	Hageley	101	101			40	15			
16	7.18	3-6 PM	Nike/Sun Tom	37	5	5	27	29	9			
17	7.26	8-11 AM	Nike/Sun Tom	27	1	0	26	24	3			
18	8.11	7 - 11 AM	PA Ave	66	21	44	1	43	2			
19	/			664	249	206	219	461	150			
*	n/a		Ocean View									
**	To be scheduled		Bethany Wawa									
*	Ocean View contacted a checkpoint on Aug. 15								571			
**	Bethany has contacted us this week and is requesting to schedule a checkpoint											
***	S. Bethany would like to schedule another but we will not have enough supplies											
****	Fenwick would like to schedule an event in Sept.											

Bike Facilities Response Letter from Amy:



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July 11, 2013

SHAILEN P. BHATT
SECRETARY

Ms. Amy Wilburn
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Wilmington, DE 19808

Dear Ms. Wilburn:

Thank you for the June 7, 2013 letter that was sent to Governor Jack Markell. His office has reviewed your letter and asked that the Department of Transportation (DelDOT) respond. Your request is for state agencies to provide facilities such as secure bicycle parking, shower and locker rooms at various locations as a means of encouraging bicycling throughout the state. DelDOT supports the implementation of such facilities, but given that improvements to these facilities are the responsibility of the Division of Facilities Management (DFM), we wanted to also obtain input from Mr. Dennis Groom, the Director of DFM.

Mr. Groom notes that installation, via new construction or renovations to an existing facility, generally does not include the added expense of a shower unless there is a specific business need to include one. Examples would include, locations where employees would be required, via license, to apply chemicals for insect control or pesticides, or for locations that could require employees to work extended, sometimes overnight shifts due to emergency management/response or snow removal, etc.

Additionally, Mr. Groom noted that DFM would support strategically locating a bicycle rack if there were a comparable demand. If a location exists where there are not adequate bike racks to support a demand, DFM would be happy to respond and evaluate the request.

Mr. Groom and Mr. Anthony Aglio, DelDOT's Bicycle / Pedestrian Coordinator, would be happy to meet with you to further discuss demand, need, funding, etc. if you feel it is needed. Mr. Groom can be contact at 302-739-5644 or dennis.groom@state.de.us, and you may reach Anthony Aglio at 302-760-2509 or anthony.aglio@state.de.us.

Sincerely,



Shailen Bhatt
Secretary

SPB:tms

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