



**Delaware Bicycle Council
April 4, 2012
DeIDOT Administration Building
Meeting Minutes**

Members Present

Fran Cardaci, At-Large Representative
Tom Hartley, Kent County Representative
Judi Jeffers, At-Large Representative
Mike Krumrine, DNREC Representative
Amy Wilburn, Chair & At- Large Representative
James Ireland, DE Greenways Council
Roger Roy, At-Large Representative
Mike Tyler, At-Large Representative
Tom Felice, DeIDOT Representative
Ted Williams, Council & Transportation

DeIDOT Support Staff

Anthony Aglio, Bicycle Coordinator DeIDOT
Kari Glanden, Administrative Support DeIDOT

Members Absent

Fred Breukelman, Dept. of Public Health Representative
Walt Bryan, Sussex County Representative
Sgt. George Heberling, DE State Police Representative
Allison Kirk, Office of Highway Safety
John Ray, Department of Education
Robert Witsil, At-Large Representative
Lisa Lasher, Delaware Greenways
Amy Hughes, NMSS- Delaware Chapter

Guests Present

Anthony "Tony" Mendez, Delaware State Police for Sgt. Heberling
Jim Westhoff, DeIDOT Public Relations
James Wilson, Bike DE

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm

I. Welcome and Introductions

All members introduced themselves and Amy Wilburn welcomed them to the meeting.

II. Minutes

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted by Roger Roy and second by James Ireland, no one opposed.

III. Event Announcements

New Castle County Safe Kids Day, April 14, 2012

Volunteers are needed still for New Castle County Safe Kids Day on April 14th. If any council members can volunteer, it is from 10am-1pm at Bellvue State Park. The parks will have bikes there for use.

Walkable Bikeable Delaware, April 26, 2012

Registration is open if members would like to attend, please contact James Wilson. James Wilson on behalf of Bike Delaware asked the council to sponsor \$500.00 towards the purchase of t-shirts for the event. This would be for 125 t-shirts and they would also have the bike council logo on the shirt as part of the sponsorship. Amy Wilburn asked the council for a vote, Jim Ireland was in favor, no members opposed the vote.

Groundbreaking for C&D Canal – April 30, 2012

Jim Westhoff of DelDOT Public Relations gave an update on the groundbreaking. The bid opening is scheduled for April 10th, 2012, after this takes place we will know when and where the ground breaking will be held. DelDOT is looking for it to be around the middle of May. All groups who have helped this trail move forward will be invited to attend. Jim will keep the council up to date on the progress. This will be a joint event between DelDOT and DNREC.

National Bike to School Day – May 9, 2012

Secretary Bhatt has requested an event be held in each county for the National Bike to School Day on May 9th, 2012. On May 4th, Cape Henlopen High School will participate in a ride to get students to “gear up for school” on May 9th. This will be great publicity for bike friendly infrastructure.

Family Trails Day at Trap Pond – May 5, 2012

Trap Pond will be hosting a family trails day on Saturday May 5th, 2012 if anyone would like to participate.

Legislator’s Ride – May 9, 2012

The legislator's ride will be held on May 9th, 2012. As in previous years there will be rides that form in New Castle County, Kent County and also in Sussex County with stopping points along each route if riders would like to join in. The biking Blue Hen's bus will be available to give cyclists a ride back to Wilmington. Please call and make your reservation for a seat. 302-760-2453. The Legislator's ride this year is also going to partner with South Dover Elementary school as part of the Bike to School event on May 9th. Students will walk to Legislative Mall and participate in healthy activities and then welcome the riders with signs. There is no rain date for this event.

Ride of Silence – May 16,2012

There will be a Ride of Silence event in Lewes and Newark this year on May 16th. This is a slower paced ride for people to have a moment of silence for riders who have lost their lives in cycling accidents.

Bike to Work Day – May 18,2012

Bike to work day is May 18th. Dover, Newark, Wilmington and Lewes are all holding bike to work events.

Wilmington Grand Prix May 18-20, 2012

The Wilmington Grand Prix Event will be held May 18-20. If you would like to participate, please go to the webpage and register.

Greenways Event – June 16, 2012

East Coast Greenways at Garret Tubman Field is holding an event. If anyone is available to help staff a bicycle rodeo please let Amy know.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

National Bike Summit Update

James Ireland attended for the council. Amy Wilburn, James Ireland, Angela and Frank Warnock all met with aids for Coons, Carper and Carney. They were all very positive and receptive in the meetings.

DE Bicycle Summit -September 7, 2012

We are working with Delaware Tourism office and holding this year's bicycle summit prior to the Amish Bicycle Tour on September 8, 2012. The focus for this year's summit is the Hidden Cyclist. The next summit meeting is April 11th, at 1pm at the Smyrna Diner if anyone would like to attend.

Funding Pool

There will be a working group meeting held at 12:00pm on April 9th, Mike Krumrine, Mike Tyler, Jim Ireland, Amy Wilburn and Rich Vetter. Contacts need to be made with the Senators and Representative to get the vote to pass for the 13 Million

dollar pool of money. WHYY filmed Amy's commute to Wilmington to show that is a feasible route if funded.

Website-

All events are being added to the calendar as they are submitted. The group hasn't met on website content. If anyone knows of any group rides coming up please sent the information to Anthony Aglio so he can add it to the calendar. There were 793 visitors to the site since the last meeting. Bud wrote a three foot passing article to post to the site. Amy asked for contact information for the local newspapers to write a series on Sharing the Road with Cyclists and cycling laws. Mike Tyler will submit his series of articles for the website and newspapers.

Publicizing Bike Laws-

We received funding for a brochure on bicycling laws and an information brochure. This will include posters to be places in businesses with messages about lights on at night, proper clothing, the rights of the cyclist and responsibilities of the road, and Delaware's helmet law. We are looking for models for these posters and brochures.

Driver's Ed-

The power point for Delaware's Driver's Education program is almost finished. Bud is looking to see if DSP has a fatal story that he can tie to the power point. He is currently trying to get the OK from the victims family to use their story.

DBC Event Rides-

Hagley Museum has a bike and hike event in July and August. If the council would like to have a tent on August 1st please send a message to Judy or Amy and let them know you are able to help staff this event.

Pomeroy Trail opening will be in the fall, the date is still to be determined.

May 5th another ride over the new Indian River Inlet bridge is being organized, you can coordinate with Jim Westhoff .

LAB Bicycle Friendly State Application

A committee made up of Jim Ireland, John Bare, Amy Wilburn, Anthony Aglio, Mike Krumrine, James Wilson and Frank Warnock, met to go over the LAB application and compile answers to the application. When the application was submitted there were some discrepancies, Anthony Aglio was contacted and informed the LAB that the answers were compiled by a committee and agreed on and went over these answers with LAB to ensure the discrepancies were eliminated.

LCI Training

There are a few LCI's in the State that are actively teaching the bicycle training courses. Numerous classes have already been held throughout the State.

NBC/WBAC Updates

The first Newark bicycle checkpoint was held on April 4th, 2012. Approximately 40 students attended. The checkpoint was on Delaware Ave. by the crosswalk. The next

checkpoint will be held April 12th, 2012. DelDOT is asking for sherros to be placed on Main Street. DelDOT will maintain these if they are put into place. If the City of Dover agrees sherros will also be placed on Loockerman Street and DelDOT will also maintain these.

WBAC 7th street peninsula trail is looking to place sherros down on Market Street after the Grand Prix.

Shoulder Sweeping

Please send a list of roadways that have shoulders that need sweeping in the next two weeks to Anthony Aglio. When you supply the list, please take a picture of the roadway, take another picture the end of June and a last picture the end of September. This will show a log to maintenance that these roadways need to be maintained on a routine basis.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm