



**Delaware Bicycle Council
August 6, 2014
DelDOT Administration Building
Meeting Notes**

Members Present

Fred Breukelman, Dept. of Public Health Representative
Fran Cardaci, At-Large Representative
Tom Felice, DelDOT Representative
Tom Hartley, Kent County Representative
Sgt. George Heberling, DE State Police Representative
Mike Krumrine, DNREC Representative
Mike Tyler, At-Large Representative
Amy Wilburn, Chair & At-Large Representative
James Wilson, At-Large Representative

DelDOT Support Staff

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

Members Absent

Dean Betts, Department of Education
Walt Bryan, Sussex County Representative
James Ireland, DE Greenways Council
Allison Kirk, Office of Highway Safety
Roger Roy, At-Large Representative
Fritz Schranck, Deputy Attorney General, DelDOT
Ted Williams, Council on Transportation

I. WELCOME

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM by Amy Wilburn. Amy asked the members to look over the meeting notes. Fred Breukelman made a motion to pass the minutes; it was second by Mike Tyler. All voted to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

II. NEW BUSINESS

Roadside Bike Insurance through AAA:

Amy Wilburn was approached by Gail Robillard from White Clay Bike Club to propose the DBC and WCBC work together to approach Mid Atlantic AAA about providing road side assistance insurance to some of the bike clubs. Amy also passed around an information sheet for the members to read. Tom Hartley made a motion for the DBC to back the supporting of Roadside Assistance for Bicycles. James Wilson 2nd the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Bond Bill Funding and Prioritization:

WILMAPCO has come up with a prioritized list for pedestrians. Dover Kent MPO has also been working on a list. DelDOT has been working on Multi Use Trails. There are other bike projects that are not trails. Drew Boyce, Director of Planning spoke to the council about the funding. The revenue package was not approved. All money has been allocated for CTF Legislative projects. The municipal street aid funding has been increased. There is no money set aside for bike projects. First State Trails and Pathways money will be going to projects that are already on the books. Industrial Track Phase III is still on track.

There has been a course correction to the Pave and Rehab List because the program was off track some. There has been little added to the list but the list will be sent to the council. The last list that was sent was August 2013. Anthony will send new P&R list to the committee.

Anthony will also post the links trails map and bike map links to the DBC Website. We will work on more signage for the trails.

Amy took time to give the council an overview of her observations regarding her bike riding in Ireland. Ireland has a road fatality rate less than half of the rate in the USA. Ireland has accomplished this in part due to a commitment to education and awareness. In addition, the country recently strengthened motor vehicle laws. All road users show an impressive compliance with the law as well as a general respect for other users of the roadways.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Changes to the Vulnerable Users Law:

Bud Heberling and Fritz spoke about this. Bud had a meeting with Highway Safety and they support the council making the changes. Fritz has asked Bud to get Police buy in as the next step.

Police Academy Training:

The information is now in the curriculum and Bud was able to instruct the last class that was in the academy. There were approximately 30 Troopers in that class. He was also able to get it in the municipal class that was held prior to the trooper academy and there were approximately 20 municipal police officers. There is a 30 minute video and a presentation for this.

Driver's Education:

The curriculum has been developed. Amy would like to see it submitted to the council for review. Amy is in touch with Allison Kirk about this. Bud will assist Amy.

Idaho Stop:

James Wilson and Bud are working on the Idaho stop. Bud is going to contact Idaho and get information on the Idaho Stop Law. Office of Highway Safety is staying neutral on the Idaho Stop for a stop sign. They are completely against it for a red light. They would like a 5 year sunset provision, to reevaluate the law in 5 years if this is passed.

Resort Low Stress/ Family Bike Network Map:

Anthony updated the members that we are working on a family bike map for the resort area. WRA is working on developing this map. We will be taking information from the public on wiki mapping. www.bikeatthebeach.com is the website to go on and tell about your ride at the beach and make comments. You can also view other comments on there.

Bike Checkpoints:

Anthony gave an update on the checkpoints. There were 12 checkpoints, 604 contacts were made, 548 lights were distributed and 77 helmets were given out.

Hagley Bike Event:

The event was held July 2nd; Tom staffed the event for the council. The event was well received and Tom was asked we could staff another event this year. If there is left over materials Tom will look at attending another night.

IV. UPDATES

Rumble Strip Repairs:

The contractor went back out and used a different application. There were two that were tried. One with a roller and the other application with a slurry. They filled the strips and the roller option took longer, the liquid cost more. The contractor is out of the materials until the end of July so it is on hold. They should be finished by the end of August. Mike Tyler would like the policy addressed further before other strips are applied.

V. UP COMING EVENTS

The Amish Bike Tour is September 6th, 2014 in Dover.

Shore Fire in Middletown is August 19th 2014

Bike to the Bay is September 21st, 2014

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Fran discussed the Kent County Bike Route. She passed out a route from Port Mahon to Marydel which is 23.4 miles. She is asking people to take a ride and comment back to her. She also provided a cue sheet. Fran will send the cue sheet and orchestrate a ride. DeIDOT has offered to ride the Wilmington to New Castle Route. Amy and Anthony will schedule the Wilmington to New Castle Route and send the information to the council.

Micro-surface:

Mike Tyler has received calls about the micro-surface being put down. The material is rough, dirty, not bicycle friendly. Mike also mentioned fog lines are missing. Anthony asked Mike to send him a list of the roads with missing striping. They may not be finished with the roads but Anthony will look into them when he gets the list.

ADJORN

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Hartley and second by Mike Tyler. No one opposed. Meeting adjourned at 6:53pm.