

# Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2009

## Attendees

Board: Bob Lutz, Sam Campogno, Barb Chamberlain, Bill Bender, John Speare, Kurt Niven, Brad Bleck, Bill Kelly, Bill Hanson, Dan DeRuyter,

Guests: Grant Wencel

## Spokefest

Bill B. said there were 1600 riders which was up 400 from last year. There were a few competing events that day including the Spokane Triathlon. He said the event took in an excess of \$10,000 which could be used for bicycle enhancements in the community. A meeting has been scheduled for October 9 with the Mayor and Ted Danek to discuss a local Ciclovía event. Bob and Bill B. will attend.

## Bike-Ped Update

Grant said he has submitted 40 grant applications to SRTC for street improvements and believes he has a good chance to get some. 22 of these contained bike routes.

There is another state grant to reduce vehicle miles. This could include implementing bike lanes north-south to cross the city and downtown bike routes.

A bike count survey will be done that will add four counting locations to those used last year: Addison & Rowan, Driscoll & Queen, 17<sup>th</sup> & Bernard, Southeast & Rockwood.

There are 50 volunteers for the survey who will do a morning, evening, and Saturday count. The volunteer instruction will take place Sept.29 at City Hall.

There will be a City Hall in-house meeting tomorrow to discuss sharrows.

The Iron Bridge Renovation is currently being advertised for design services. Funding has been secured for Design and Construction at \$530,000.

## Five Mile

Kurt said the Five Mile Neighborhood's Bike/Ped Planning Group would like to meet with Grant to discuss bike/ped improvements on Five Mile Prairie. They may also ask Bill Kelly for student planning help.

## Bike Parking

John said the City Ramp Parking Garage at Stevens and 1<sup>st</sup> has secure bike parking available in the old Tire Room for \$1/day. Bob said there could also be bike parking at the new INB Garage.

20 bike racks have been installed downtown by the Downtown Spokane Partnership.

Grant said one city-supplied rack will be installed at the Elk.

Dan said a bike rack has been installed inside the US Bank Building.

## Other

Bob feels the next focus for BAB should be on Enforcement, Education, and Safety.

Barb said the Cascade Bicycle Club wants to hold a half-day Bike Advocacy Workshop in Spokane. A discussion of whom to invite included the Bike Summit group and the Bike Count volunteers. The date would be October or early November. Barb will organize.

The need for wayfinding signs on bike routes was discussed. It would be nice to have major north-south and east-west routes signed, as well as signs pointing downtown, for locals and tourists alike. There currently is no consistent signage policy.

#### Spokefest

Bill said everything is in place for the event and he expects 3000 riders.

#### Bike Coalition

The next meeting is planned for September. The feeling is it will evolve into a bike info clearinghouse.

#### Other

A Community Ride is scheduled in Hillyard for August 8 along a 4-mile route.

The Northwest Tandem Rally will be held in Spokane in 2011.

#### Board Openings

The Board interviewed Bill Kelly, Bill Hanson, Rick Chauvin, and Dan DeRuyter for the two current openings. Bob will investigate whether an additional Board member can be added.