

BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, January 5, 2021
Virtual – Teams Meeting

Attendance included:

Committee Members	Staff	Guests
Alyssa Boxhill, Chair Marien Hornyak Eric Eckl Russell Richardson Shayne Boucher John Thomas Lou Huzella Jennifer Whitmore Alderman Russell	David Edmondson	Stephen Ceiply

Chairman’s Report: Meeting Called to Order at 6:30

Announcements:

No announcements.

Approval of Minutes:

December 1, 2020

Motion: Shayne Boucher made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.

Second: Marien Hornyak.

Vote: 9-0.

Staff Review:

- **Crash Report**
 - No comments/concerns.
- **Snow Removal**
 - Marien stated that the sidewalks that the city oversees were great. However, she has issues with the corners, the intersections they end up blocking the intersections where the truncated circles are. She is not sure how that can be resolved.
 - Shayne stated there are probably other areas with the same issue and is curious if they came up with creative solutions to take care of those corners.
 - Jennifer asked if the city has sidewalk width plows? Alderman Russell stated that we do have some small blades on the mowers to do park trails, but she does not know if they use those for the sidewalks.
 - JT stated that in other jurisdictions where they have higher amount of snowfall have solutions and it comes down to do, they enforce the adjacent property owners to clear the snow or do it themselves. Those same jurisdictions have had legal issues not doing one or the other. He stated regarding the bike path in front of the Coca-Cola plant there are bike posts that are not needed, and it is going to cause a problem. Jennifer informed JT that the bike posts have been removed from the middle of the bike path.

- Jennifer stated she was wondering regarding being down in staff due to the pandemic. Would that have been more of the case would they have been cleared much closer to the roads were cleared. David responded that DPW did reach out to him and said that what they can do with the flex posts (as shown in picture of packet) to make it a protected bike lane and without those there they would have been able to plow. There are plows that are small enough to fit through there that would have solved the problem, but we do not have any of that size.
- Alyssa asked if it considers broken glass and other debris the rest of the year? David said yes.
- Marien stated that as far as sidewalks this was her first time encountering such and issue and if it happens again will have to figure something out.
- Jennifer asked if there was a proposal seeking this information. David said this is something we are working on and wanted to hear the committee's advice and experiences were because street maintenance is a big deal.
- **New Grant Cycle and Investment Priorities**
 - Marien asked if it was only affecting traffic or will it affect sidewalks as well. David said it was only affecting traffic.
 - Alyssa asked if it was going to be a one-side or two-side protected lane and which side. David responded that it would be on the south side and would be two-way.
 - Alyssa asked if it would take away parking on the south side of 7th Street. David said we do not have a final striping plan on that yet.

Committee Member Announcements or Comments:

- Alderman Russell asked the public to be engage in the process of the selection of the police chief.

Public Comment:

- Stephen Cieply stated that while he believes the snow event was handled well, it seems like the salting of the roads there were puddles that were frozen and some of the bike paths were hard to get around also to prioritize the freezing after which happens more in Frederick.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Eric Eckl.
 Second: Lou Huzella.
 Vote: 8-0.

Adjourned approximately 7:10 P.M.