

# Minutes

## Pedestrian & Bikeways Committee

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8:00 a.m.

TMACOG Boardroom



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### 1. Welcome & Introductions

Vice-Chair Emily Zeigler called the meeting to order.

### 2. Approval of the February Minutes [\[minutes\]](#)

Dick Currie moved that the minutes be approved, Howard Abts seconded the motion. All approved.

### 3. New Business

#### a. Ohio House Bill 154

The committee was briefed on where the “Three Foot Passing Law” stood now that it has passed the State House of Representatives. HB 154 has been introduced in the Senate, but no other action has been taken since the Legislature has been in recess. The recess will end after the November election.

The committee reviewed the previous resolution from TMACOG that provided support for HB 154. The committee requested that a modified resolution be created to endorse the HB 154 showing that it has passed the House and is now for consideration of the Senate. The committee suggested that staff research who the best recipients of the resolution would be.

A motion was made Keith Webb that the Pedestrian and Bikeways Committee support a TMACOG resolution for support of HB 154 as introduced to the Ohio Senate. Terry Waltzer seconded the motion. All Approved.

#### b. 2016 TAP Solicitation

The committee was provided with a list of projects that were submitted for the latest TAP solicitation. The total ask of project sponsors was about \$2,700,000. The total available TAP funding is about \$1,000,000. The goal of this solicitation is to provide faster turnaround projects that have the potential to be funded in FY2018. The projects that are already programmed in later fiscal years could not move up for different reasons, and a couple projects have been sliding back into the later fiscal years due to various challenges. There is a need to fill a gap of funding in order to assure that TMACOG does not lose funds.

There were a wide range of different types of projects that were applied for, and one was a Downtown Bike Share. This project would purchase the equipment necessary for a bike share system in Downtown Toledo. The Metroparks of the Toledo Area would be the project sponsor. There was also a bridge over a creek in the Village of Whitehouse that would be part of a sidepath along SR64 heading toward the City of Waterville. Others included a lot of maintenance.

#### 4. Old Business

##### a. Chessie Circle Trail Development Update

The Metroparks' project from Glanzman Rd to River Rd sold late due to bids coming in more than 10% over the engineer's estimate. The project had to revise some cost estimates and reopen for bids. The project was a little more expensive than originally thought to be, but the project sold and will proceed with construction next Spring.

The next scheduled meeting is set for September 9<sup>th</sup>.

##### b. Proposed U.S. Bicycle Routes in the Region

ODOT is currently reconsidering its timeline for this project and may push the spring deadline for collecting resolution back. They are also expected to offer more guidance on collecting these resolutions.

##### c. University/Parks Trail Maintenance Plan Development

The August 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was cancelled. The draft plan is being reviewed by both Lucas County and the City of Toledo. The next meeting will be scheduled after Labor Day.

##### d. Regional Bike Users Map Development

The subcommittee should expect to be meeting sometime in the next couple of months to catch up on where we stand with everything. TMACOG staff has been working with data consolidation and interactive mapping online.

#### 5. Member Initiatives Roundtable

- Lance Dasher announced a night ride that was going to take place on August 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 pm in Sylvania. The ride is call "Ridin' Late in County 48".
- Terry Waltzer asked how the public meetings went for the Metroparks. Emily responded that they were well attended with about 60 people, and the meeting participants were receptive to the plans.
- Keith Webb is announced that there are event bike racks available for rent which was made possible by MVA. Keith also mentioned that the fix-it-stations will be expanding.
- Dick Currie updated the group on the Riverside Trail project in Perrysburg. He noted that the Perrysburg Slow Rollers has sparked an interest to discuss bicycle facilities in the City of Perrysburg.
- Brian Pawlik announced that SEMCOG will be holding a workshop for how funds are used in transportation alternatives. This will be the morning of September 8<sup>th</sup>. For more information and to register go to [www.semco.org](http://www.semco.org). Brian also mentioned that Detroit is very close to opening its bike share system and that he would be glad to provide any help or information to help the Metroparks get started with the Bike Share if the project is awarded.
- Jenny Hansen announced that the SRTS for the 2016 – 2017 year has been renewed. There will also be

about \$400,000 is infrastructure improvements this year. There will be sidewalks and rapid flashing beacons installed on Bancroft by Hawkins Elementary. Jenny also mentioned that they will be reaching out to Washington Local Schools and Bowling Green City Schools to discuss possible SRTS plans.

- Pat Squire announced that MVA will be having the Tombstone Tour this Fall.

**2016 Schedule:**

**Full Committee:** Quarterly on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays:

January 19, April 19, July 19, October 18

**Steering Committee:** Quarterly on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays:

February 16, May 17, August 16, November 15