MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION
Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee
Minutes – November 13, 2014

Members: Judy Burrows (Vice-Chair), Dennis Helke, Andrew Plath, Aaron Ruff, Destinee Coehen, Gerry Klein, Greg Falk
Staff: Dave Mack, Preston Vande Voort
Others: Adam Wood, Toole Design Group

1. Call to Order.
Meeting was called to order by Burrows at 6:30 pm.

2. Welcome and Introductions.

3. Approve the Minutes of the October 9, 2014 Meeting.
Motion/second by Plath/Helke to approve the October 9, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

4. Bike/Pedestrian Plan, Existing Conditions (TDG),
The Toole Design Group’s Adam Wood presented the work performed to date on the Bike/Ped. Plan. His presentation included a memo of 4 elements:

- Context: population characteristics, bike and pedestrian mode share, and existing plans and policies;
- Analysis: existing routes and infrastructure, latent demand analysis, level of traffic stress, and crashes;
- Targeted Areas for Improvement: bicycle study network and pedestrian priority improvement areas;
- Conclusion: summary of opportunities & constraints and conclusion & initial observations.

Conducting stakeholder interviews and working on recommendations are the next steps for the study. A public meeting on the plan and recommendations is tentatively scheduled for February 2015.

5. Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin Funds.
Ruff explained that the Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin has $170,000 remaining for their 2014 Community Enhancement Funds. This was the source of funding for the Bike Fixtations. The conversation continued with what types of projects the MPO could apply for. Some of the projects were: more Bike Fixtations placed throughout the area, a design or materials for a shelter at the Weston YMCA, or a shelter at the 51/29 Trail and Hwy 51 Tunnel in Rib Mountain. These concepts will be discussed with the Community Foundation to see which may advance. Ruff and Mack will work on getting an application to the Foundation by the December 1st deadline.

6. Community Updates
- Plath said he is continuing to work with the City of Wausau and Village of Weston on installing permanent flashing speed signs at the community border along Northwestern Avenue. He said that both communities were willing to discuss this in 2015 for inclusion in the 2016 budget.

7. Next Meeting Date – December 18, 2014 at 6:30 PM

8. Adjourn
Motion/second by Klein/Helke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, with no dissent. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Submitted by: David Mack, Planning & Regulatory Program Manager/Transportation Planner
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