Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk’s Office at 715-261-1500 or e-mail infomarathon@mail.co.marathon.wi.us one business day before the meeting.

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MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION
Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee
Minutes – September 24, 2015

Members: Judy Burrows, Vice-Chair., Aaron Ruff, John Beatty, Dennis Helke, Andrew Plath, Mark Thout,

Staff: Dave Mack, Andy Lynch

1. Call to Order
Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Burrows at 6:38 pm.

2. Welcome and Introductions

3. Approve the Minutes of the August 27, 2015 Meetings
Motion/second by BEATTY/THOUT to approve the meeting minutes from the August 27, 2015 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

4. MPO Commission Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Approval
Mack reported on the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission’s recent approval of Bike and Pedestrian Plan at its September meeting. The Commission approved the plan without dissent.

5. Bicycle Friendly Business Designation
Lynch began the discussion with a presentation on the Bicycle Friendly Business designation from the League of American Bicyclists. The presentation covered the requirements for a designation and the benefits for businesses and the community. After discussion, Lynch requested that each member identify businesses that would be interested in this designation.

6. Open Streets Events
Lynch began the discussion with a presentation and video about Open Streets events. Discussion followed about the feasibility of this type of event in the Wausau area and how it integrates with the Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan elements. It was agreed that this type of event would work well in some of the Wausau area communities. Support and suggestions were offered for the current Wausau effort to host an Open Streets event.

7. May is Bike Month Events
Discussion was opened on how the current events in May could be continued or enhanced. Suggestions involved creating incentives to riders from businesses, team based commuter challenges and involving the local schools. No action was taken.

8. Community Updates and Future Events
Because of the meeting running long, the committee agreed to discuss these items at the next meeting.

9. Next Meeting Date – October 22, 2015 at 6:30 PM

10. Adjourn
Motion/second by BEATTY/NOWACZYK to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent. Meeting Adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Submitted by:
David Mack
Program Manager/MPO Director
Marathon County
Conservation, Planning and Zoning/Wausau MPO
MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION
Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee
Minutes – October 22, 2015

Members: Phil Valitchka, Chair, Judy Burrows, Vice-Chair, Aaron Ruff, John Beatty, Andrew Plath,
Staff: Dave Mack, Andy Lynch

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

2. Welcome and Introductions

3. Approve the Minutes of the September 24, 2015 Meetings
   No action taken. Minutes will be available for approval at the next meeting.

4. Committee Leaders and Succession
   Valitchka discussed the results of a planning session on succession and suggested a
   reorganization of the committee based on the 5E’s to focus on implementation of the bicycle plan.
   A facilitated meeting is proposed for January to develop the structure and recruit members to the
   committee. At this time it is likely Valitchka would resign from committee chair position. Discussion
   was supportive of this idea and staff was directed to organize and promote the summit in January
   to be as inclusive of the community as possible.

5. 2016 Action Plan
   Lynch notes that much of this item would be eclipsed by a January summit and planning session.
   Ruff suggested a Health Department staff member that could help create a work plan to help define
   role. Valitchka suggested an action plan be created and comment obtained during the summit, this
   would be dependent on the staff availability.

6. Community Updates and Future Events
   Beatty announced the installation of the Bike Fixation in Rib Mountain and notes some issues with
   the shelter height due to zoning. Location of an additional shelter and Fixation was discussed with
   Koucerk near his property in Rib Mountain.
   Lynch: presentation of the Bike Plan at the MPO Directors Conference to discuss the use of the
   Stress Index to evaluate roads and infrastructure. Details initial ideas on Open Streets events and
   planning.
   Ruff: Sylvan Hill mountain bike plan was approved by Parks Department, public meeting on the
   28th. Community Foundation is involved by administering funds. Ringle Landfill trails are also
   under consideration.
   Plath: Discussion with Wausau about new Riverside trails and design for Stewart Ave.

7. Items for Next Agenda
   Items for 2016 Action Plan
   Strategies for developing the January planning summit

8. Next Meeting Date – December 10, 2015

9. Adjourn
   Motion/second by Valitchka to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.
   Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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