1. CALL TO ORDER
Meeting called to order by Vice-Chairperson BURROWS at 6:30pm.

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2015 MEETING
Motion/second by RUFF/RHODEN to approve the meeting minutes from the December 10, 2015 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

4. MOUNTAIN BAY TRAIL EXTENSION SUPPORT RESOLUTION
PLATH has been meeting with local officials and working to gain support before talking with state representatives regarding funding for further extension of the trail. To this effort, PLATH has asked for a resolution of support from the MPO commission. BURROWS questioned the inclusion of Marathon County Parks Department in the resolution. PLATH said he had not talked with Parks recently but since they handle the maintenance of the trail it was important to include them as well.

Motion/second by WOOD/PLATH to recommend to the MPO Commission adoption of the resolution in support of the Mountain Bay Trail extension. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

5. BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY – LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS FEEDBACK
LYNCH presented the detailed feedback from the League of American Bicyclists for the Bicycle Friendly Community application and discussed many of the recommendations. LYNCH mentioned the WisDOT bicycle learning opportunity this summer and agreed to pass along information on the training. RHODEN inquired if future training opportunities could be made available for crossing guards.

6. 2016 COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN
LYNCH, RUFF, MACK and BURROWS have been developing an action plan using the goals from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and feedback from the Bicycle Friendly Community application. LYNCH showed an example of how a goal was assigned and measured. Feedback from the group was positive and they look forward to seeing the completed instrument at the March meeting.

7. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND FUTURE EVENTS
Rib Mountain: They have applied for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding for a trail connecting Foxglove and Trillium Lane. This project is identified in the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and would improve regional connectivity. They are also close to completing the trail from behind the new Dick’s Sporting Goods store east to the intersection.

Schofield: Will have Grand Ave paved with bike accommodations in August. The delay is due to using two different funding sources to complete the project. They have also contacted WisDOT about an island at Schofield Ave and Grand Ave due to accidents and crossing conflicts.

Weston: They are developing a plan for mountain bike facilities at the current site of the Prohaska Tree Farm. They have applied for TAP funding to complete a project in a SW neighborhood and connect to the trail on Camp Phillips Rd. They are also working with Rothschild to extend trail to the junior high.
**Wausau:** Central Wisconsin Off-road Cycling Coalition (CWOCC) has raised $100,000 for the Sylvan Hill bike park and Request For Proposals (RFP) is expected in March. They are working with Parks department to add facilities.

**NCWRPC:** TAP grant was submitted for Safe Routes To School plans in Stratford, Mosinee, Merrill.

**Kronenwetter:** New developments will extend roads and trails near Kowalski.

**Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail:** Declining membership is a concern. They are looking to connect with CWOCC and Wheelers groups and find ways to increase volunteer hours to enhance the trail experience.

8. **ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**
   Bike rodeo dates, Bike month events

9. **NEXT MEETING DATE – MARCH 24, 2016**

10. **ADJOURN**
    Meeting adjourned by voice vote, no dissent. Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted by:
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