OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA
of a meeting of the County Board, Committee, Agency, Corporation or Sub-Unit thereof,

MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION’S
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SUB-COMMITTEE

May 25, 2017
5:30 P.M.

LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
210 RIVER DRIVE, WAUSAU, WI

Marathon County Mission Statement: Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)

Commission Purpose: The Commission shall be concerned with studies and recommendations relating to activities including but not limited to land-use; natural resources; utilities; and transportation systems within the metropolitan planning area. (Commission Bylaws last updated: 1-24-12)

AGENDA ITEMS:
1. CALL TO ORDER
2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

POLICY DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:
3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 27, 2017 MEETING
4. COPENHAGEN BICYCLE TRAFFIC SIGNALS
5. SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION @ MILITARY ROAD AND HWY BUS 51 ROTHSCCHILD
6. MOUNTAIN BAY ON STREET TRAIL CONNECTIONS
7. TRAFFIC SIGNAL TRIGGERING BY CYCLISTS
8. UPDATE ON BIKE MONTH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS
9. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND AREAS OF CONCERN
10. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA
11. NEXT MEETING DATE – JUNE 22, 2017
12. ADJOURN

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.

SIGNED
PRESIDING OFFICER OR DESIGNEE

NOTICE POSTED AT COURTHOUSE:

By: County Clerk
Date:
Time: a.m/p.m.
1. CALL TO ORDER
Meeting called to order by LYNCH at 5:30pm

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
Vice-Chair BURROWS was not present due to travel.

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF (PREVIOUS MEETING DATE) MEETING
Motion/second by RUFF/NOWACZYK to approve the meeting minutes from the March 23 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

4. NOMINATION OF CHAIRPERSON;
LYNCH reported that Trek Store manager and long-time community member JOHN NOWACZYK had stepped up to the duty of committee chair. NOWACZYK spoke about his passion for making biking and walking better for everyone in the community and pushing for improvements. Motion/second by BEATTY/WOOD to nominate NOWACZYK as chairman of the Wausau MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

5. NOMINATION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON;
LYNCH reported that long-time Weston resident and former committee member Hooshang Zeyghami has stepped forward to fill the role of Vice-Chairperson. ZEYGHAMI spoke about his experience in the engineering field and working with the committee when it was first formed. Motion/second by MULLALLEY/RYFF to nominate ZEYGHAMI as vice-chairman of the Wausau MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

6. BICYCLEWAUSAU.ORG OUTREACH;
LYNCH discussed the need for better information sharing to local bicyclists as well as visitors from out of town. NOWACZYK recalled several times at the Trek Store customers had asked for routes or places to ride to. LYNCH recommended starting social media profiles under Bicyclewausau.org to facilitate information sharing. This would be useful to post notice of road or trail closure and provide feedback to users. PLATH is willing to contribute photos.

7. 2017 COUNTING PROGRAM;
LYNCH reported the beginning of the 2017 Trail Counter season. Using the 9 infrared and 2 pneumatic tube counters counts can be taken throughout the metro area. This data will assist in painting a picture of infrastructure use and ridership. The five counter positions from last year (County R, 51/29 Trail, Wisc River Bridge, Birch St Bridge, River’s Edge Trail) will remain. Other sites suggested were Gaska Park, Mosinee path, Schofield Park, trail along East Bay, Mountain Bay Trail. Volunteers (BEATTY, PLATH, MULLALY, ZEYGHAMI) will do physical counts to calibrate the devices.

8. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND FUTURE EVENTS
Rib Mountain: The adult helmet promotion has gone well with 12 helmets purchased in the first month. RM will discuss extending the program at their next town bike ped meeting.
Mountain Bay: Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail has written a letter of recommendation for Schofield’s project to bridge the Eau Claire River north to Weston and Wausau.
Kronenwetter: Thursday May 18th will be the annual Bike and Walk for the Health of It event at Towering Pines Park. Everyone is encouraged to attend.
Maine: Interested in developing bike connections between Brokaw and Wausau.
Wausau: Bike with the Mayor ride on Monday May 15 at 7:45am. Starting from several points in the city and converging to Marathon Park, then on to City Hall.

9. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA
   Updates on the on street Mountain Bay connector.
   Traffic Signal Triggering by cyclists
   Bike Month Activities and Open Streets Update

10. NEXT MEETING DATE – MAY 25, 2017

11. ADJOURN
   Motion/second by MULLALEY/BEATTY to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent. Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Submitted by:
David Mack
Program Manager/MPO Director
Marathon County
Conservation, Planning and Zoning/Wausau MPO
Ride and Rate the routes from the Trailhead to the Bridge.

Your rating should account for the difficulty/ease in BOTH directions.

Submit your rank order to: andrew.lynch@co.marathon.wi.us