1. CALL TO ORDER
   Meeting called to order by Chairperson NOWACZYK at 5:30pm

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF (APRIL 26, 2018) MEETING
   Motion/second by RUFF/BEATTY to approve the meeting minutes from the April 26 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

4. PLACES 4 BIKES CONFERENCE AND TROPHY PRESENTATION
   LYNCH presented the committee with the trophy from the Places 4 Bikes conference he and SIPPEL recently attended. Wausau was rated as the #1 Small City for Bikes and #2 Overall City of Bikes. LYNCH explained the conference programs and the award ceremony in Indianapolis. One of the presentations of note was on Seville, Spain and the growth of protected infrastructure that increased bicycle usage. LYNCH feels that although the award is specific to the City of Wausau, it is really a symbol of the area’s growth and vitality.

5. EXAMINATION OF THE PEOPLE 4 BIKES CITY RATING
   LYNCH explained the new People 4 Bikes City Rating system in more detail. This rating is complimentary to the League of American Bicycles rating system and should be used as a diagnostic tool to guide future improvements. The Wausau score benefited from the number of projects completed and planned in the area for the previous, current, and next years. These projects also were likely to be close to areas of racial minority or economic underserved which boosts a component of the score. The total score combined publically available data (census), information from city staff, and an attitudinal survey from residents. LYNCH is looking forward to the future years comparison with other cities in Wisconsin.

6. NEGATIVE PERCEPTIONS OF BICYCLING IN OUR AREA
   HELKE brought up concerns about the perception of cycling in the area and comments on social media following the story about the City of Bikes rating. LYNCH provided examples of some of the negative comments and some positive responses. It was agreed that any responses advocates make should be positive in nature and not confrontational.

7. HEAL WALK AUDITS
   LYNCH described the Healthy Eating Active Living group’s walk audits. The HEAL group has been looking for locations outside of Wausau. Past results have been influential in pushing changes for 6th St, and forwarded to DOT for consideration on Grand Avenue. Any questions or requests for audits should be sent to Andrew Lynch or Samantha Pinzl at the Health Department.

8. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND FUTURE EVENTS
   HELKE: Would like to invite the new Parks department head to the next MPO meeting to discuss e-mountain bikes.
   BEATTY: Rib Mountain would like to know who has jurisdiction of the maintenance of the area trails such as County R trails. Shelter on the 51/29 trail is in progress.
   PLATH: Mayor’s Ride was well attended and coordinated. Compliments to Brad Sippel.
Wausau will be placing more bike racks in the coming months.
RUFF: Ringle trails construction will begin soon. Contractor is going to add more miles which will add to the cost and usability. This will delay the overall construction timeline but will have a better overall result. Two Bike Fixations are available for installation. One bike fixation will be slated for Rib Mountain 51/29 trail. Red Eye restaurant has requested a station as well. After discussion the committee felt it was best to keep the station on public property and not for a private party.
SIPPEL: Rivers Edge Master Plan will be updated, RFP will be released soon. Bike Fun Wausau had 26 people participate. Bike racks from Wausau West are finished. Sharrows signs will be altered on Grand Ave just north of Sturgeon Eddy to make direction of travel more clear. Street lighting will be added on 7th Street.
NOWACZYK: Area of concern is intersection of Stewart Ave and 27th Avenue.
LYNCH: Counters installed at Sylvan. Counter will not be placed on the River’s Edge trail outside CPZ building.

9. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA
Dangerous intersection of Stewart Ave and 27th Avenue.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE – TBD

11. ADJOURN
Motion/second by BEATTY/HELKE to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent. Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 pm.

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