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

September 26, 2019
5:30 P.M.

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: 12-18)

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

POLICY DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 22, 2019 MEETING
4. DISCUSSION WITH DRIVER EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS
5. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT SUBMITTED PROJECTS
6. WISCONSIN BIKE FEDERATION SUMMIT UPDATE
7. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND AREAS OF CONCERN
8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA
9. NEXT MEETING DATE – OCTOBER 24, 2019
10. 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

848-9361  848-5887
FAXED TO: Daily Herald    City Pages
FAXED TO: Mid-west Radio Group - 848-3158
FAXED TO: CenterState Marketplace – 446-2370
FAXED BY: BI
FAX DATE: 09/23/2019
FAX TIME: 8:45 a.m.
FAX BY/DATE/TIME: __________________________
1. CALL TO ORDER
   Meeting called to order by NOWACZYK at 5:30pm

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF May 23 MEETING
   Motion/second by ZEYGHAMI/MULLALY to approve the meeting minutes from the May 23 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

4. REPORT ON MEETING WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
   LYNCH and NOWACZYK reported on their meeting with the Chamber of Commerce staff in May to relay the committee’s suggestions regarding the Chamber Strategic Plan. The Chamber staff is supportive of biking and pedestrian infrastructure for transportation but feel that the terminology used and focus on ultra-endurance events will have a positive impact on attraction to the area.

5. REGIONAL BIKE ROUTE #9 CHANGE REQUEST
   A request was submitted by a Wausau resident to change the path of Route 9 in the Southeast Neighborhood in Wausau due to the number of stop signs and road condition. The committee evaluated the request using the previously determined criteria. The change in Route 9 was approved. Staff will make changes to the online maps in coordination with City of Wausau staff moving the signs.

6. WISCONSIN BIKE FEDERATION SUMMIT UPDATE
   Updates were provided by Aaron Ruff by email. October 4th is the main day with breakout sessions in the morning and rides in the afternoon. Reception at Whitewater Music Hall from 5:30pm to 9pm. Saturday October 5th will have a brief session in the morning followed by rides throughout the day. Registration information is now available.

7. REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING UPDATE
   LYNCH provided an update on the transportation funding available from federal and state sources this fall. The MPO distributes funding every two years through the Surface Transportation Block Grant. This year there is approximately $3.1 million available for projects in the metro area. In addition, the state budget allocated $75 million in a one-time supplemental grant for multimodal transportation projects. Transportation Alternatives Program grants, which focus on non-auto transportation, are also available with applications due this year.

8. COMMUNITY UPDATES AND AREAS OF CONCERN
   Village of Weston: Are looking at filling gaps on Camp Phillips trail.
   City of Wauasu: Bikeshare launch expected Sept. 15th.
   CWOCC: Ribbon cutting at Ringle trails on Oct 3. CWOCC Board approves use of e-bikes and has released official statement on their website.
MPO: Planning for Open Streets 2020 is expected to begin in October. LYNCH will be in Portland, OR for the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals conference.

9. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA
10. NEXT MEETING DATE – September 27, 2019
11. ADJOURN
   Motion/second by MULLALY/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
Projects

- County N - Marathon County
- Stewart Ave - City of Wausau
- Lilac Ave - T of Rib Mountain
- Evergreen Road - Town of Wausau
- Military Road - V of Rothschild
- Birch St - V of Weston
- Rangeline Rd - C of Mosinee
- Main St - C of Mosinee
Conference Schedule

Thursday, October 3rd

4:00-5:00  Ribbon cutting - Ringle Trail

PeopleForBikes “Draft” Ride

6:30  Daly’s Restaurant
Jane McCurry - Program Manager, Renew Wisconsin

7:30  The Glass Hat

8:30  Red Eye Brewing Company
Rod Judd and Tobie De Pauw - PeopleForBikes

Friday, October 4th

7:30-8:00  Registration and Networking

8:00-8:05  Mayor Mielke welcome address

8:05-8:25  Wisconsin Bike Fed - State of the Federation

8:30-8:55  Jump Starting Community Projects
Will Kratt - Associate Principal Practice Group Leader, ISG

Breakout Sessions

9:00-9:45  Complete Streets - Statewide Panel
Caressa Givens - Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin
or
Community Development - Driven by Health and Wellness
Darrin Wasniewski - Associate State Director, AARP

9:55-10:40  IMBA Trail Building 101
Mike Repyak - Director of Planning and Design, International Mountain Bicycling Association
or
Economic Impact - How to Build a Strong Grant Application
Sue Nelson - Program Officer, Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin
10:50-11:35  Policy Champions and Allies - Roles People Play and What Visions Exist
Jason Brozek, PhD - Associate Professor of Government, Lawrence University
or
Wausau - PlacesForBikes' Best Small City for Bikes
Wausau Host Committee, Planners and Advocacy Team

Reconvene in the Jefferson Room

11:45-11:55  Wisconsin Active Together - Live Announcement of New Cities
Jen Gilchrist Walker - Co-Founder Wisconsin Active Together

12:00-12:30  Connecting Advocates with Professional Groups - Who Can Help, When to get Involved and How to Make a Difference
Emily Dieringer - Winnebago County Health Department

12:30-1:30  Break for Lunch

Active Sessions

1:45-3:45  Wausau River District Tour
or
Sylvan Hill Mountain Bike Park - pump track, 3-mile loop, and more
or
Tour of City Infrastructure - Wausau to Rib Mountain to Cedar Creek
or
Walking Audit

Reception

4:00-4:30  Bike Trails/ATV/UTV - Input and feedback session

4:45-5:30  PeopleForBikes Presentation - Bicycling Participation & Ride Spot App

5:30-9:00  Social Hour

October 5th

8:00-Noon  Wrap up Rides

   Road Rides - Wausau and beyond
or
   Sylvan Hill Mountain Bike Park - pump track, 3-mile loop, and more
or
   Ringle Trail - 10-mile intermediate flow trail