

Active Living Committee

May 9th, 2018 9 AM

Members Present: Corinna Erickson, Carrie McDermott, Julie Ernst, Deb Jacobs, Renae Marthaler, Steve Nepl, Shawn Roberts, Reed Johnson, Lori Gefre, Kris Karlgaard, Joel Hoistad, and Judy Oren (guest from Southern Valley Health Watch)

Call to Order

Shawn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

Approval of Minutes: Reed offered a motion to approve the minutes from the April 11th, 2018, meeting. The motion was seconded by Deb and carried unanimously.

Highway 75 Bike/Pedestrian Path Update:

Shawn informed the committee that OSPTI utilized part of the new Hwy 75 pedestrian path for their 5k on April 26th, and it worked out great.

Public Works Department will be installing benches, plaques, mile markers, doggy waste stations, and recognition board in the near future.

a. Ribbon Cutting

-Date has been set for Wednesday, July 11th. Committee is joining the event with Southern Valley Health Watch (SVHW) Annual Bike Ride Event. Time is not set, but discussion was registration from 5:30-6, ribbon cutting at 5:45 and ride/walk to start at 6. We Care Collation meets tomorrow and will discuss having Movie in the Park. If they decide to have a movie, the timing might change.

-Ribbon cutting, registration and event walk/bike start and finish will be at Breckenridge Family Community Center (FCC).

-SVHW will take care of registration and door prizes.

-Walking route will be from FCC to CHI St. Francis and back (about 3 miles).

-Bike route is to be determined (6-8 miles is ideal); Kris will get a few options with mileage. Kris will also see about having a bike patrol officer lead the bike route.

-Bike Fleet will be available for people to use the bikes and for showcase rental opportunities. (Corinna- calendar, Shawn/Corinna/Kris- haul day of)

-3-wheeled bikes will be available for people to use and for showcase rental opportunities. (City Staff)

-Popcorn (FCC- Renae will visit with Director), water bottles (Fastenal- Lori will ask for donation), Freeze Pops (Econo- Shawn will ask for donation)

-Bathrooms will need to be available on both routes. Walk route (FCC, Blazer and CHI St. Francis) and Bike route (FCC and Welles Park)

- OSPTI parking lot will be available for extra parking

-Carrie stated the Daily News will be at the event for newspaper coverage.

-Lori will contact Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce to see if they will help promote this event.

-Lori and Judy will work on creating a flyer for this event.

Items on hold: Lighting

Other Business

-Bike Rodeo is today from 3:30-4:30 at the OSPTI parking lot; rock wall will be there.

-Walk/Bike to School was today. Shawn informed the committee that 70% or more kids walked or biked to school today for all schools. Great participation this year.

-SVHW has their Annual Wildlife Walk in conjunction with Blue Goose Days on June 2nd.

- Renae informed the committee that we have received official notice that we have been awarded funding for the Safe Routes to School project, with a limit of \$225,000. This funding will be for July 1,

2021- June 30, 2022. There is approximately \$200,000 that will need to be raised for local contribution. Renae plans to take this remaining amount needed to Finance Committee and City Council to request that it be added to the Capital Outlay budget for \$50,000 per year for the next 4 years. Shawn mentioned that there may be some possible funding or grant opportunities for signage and/or the planned smart crossing. No action needed at this time. Project planning and discussion should start in 2019. Committee thanked the County and Renae for their hard work and continued work for this project.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:47 AM. The next Active Living Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, June 13th, 2018, at 9:00 AM at City Hall.