



# Newport Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee

**Members Present:** Ken Dennis (chairman), Bob Hein, Chuck Forinash, Maryann Bozza, Dave Teem, Elliott Crowder

**Staff:** Tim Gross

**Absent:** Lisa Kern, Lon Brusselback

Meeting called to order at 5:35 PM and the minutes from the February meeting were approved

**Staff Reports:**

Tim reports that the brush on the Yaquina Bay to the Beach Trail (YBBT) needs to be brushed out. Comments about the trail mentioned that a *trash receptacle is needed near the trail entrance*. At the same time Dave Teem suggested that trash cans are *also needed at the Agate Beach to Big Creek trail* along with “doggy doo-doo” bags. Chuck Forinash will check with OR State Parks about some signage for the trail. Chuck will also look into getting a waiver form from State Parks and get volunteers together to brush out the YBBT.

Tim also reported that the City will have @ a \$90K match for the \$450K grant to put in the crosswalks on Highway 101.

**Old Business:**

A. Sharrows – Chuck reports that OR State Parks doesn’t have a problem having sharrows painted on the S. Jetty Road. Ken asks that he *also check about whether they can also be put on the road going through the N. Jetty/Yaquina Bay Park*.

*Tim will check with ODOT about putting them on the Yaquina Bay Bridge.*

B. Bike Belong Grant application – Ken gave Tim a copy of the application form with instructions and Tim asked to have him *find out whether municipalities are eligible*. *Ken will check and relay the information back to him.*

C. Naterlin Drive Benches – Still looking for funds or sponsors for benches. Ken suggests that we can make our own out of concrete and will do some research.

D. Walking Routes Maps – There still hasn’t been a copy of the original found and *Bob suggests that the committee members come up with some routes prior to the next meeting so that we might generate a new map*. 2000 of the bike route maps have been located and sent to the bike shop for distribution. Room tax money was used to print the originals and this may be the source for future reprints.

**New Business:**

Ken reported that he has signed up for the *Active Transportation Summit in Salem on April 16-17* and says that information and registration can be found on the Cycle Oregon website.

Ken also said that *the Walk+Bike Challenge for schools is in May* and supported by the Bicycle Transportation Alliance in conjunction with *Bike To Work/School Month in May* sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists. *Bob will check with the school district to where they’re at with reference to promoting walking and bicycling to school.*

Chuck says that there is an access road to open spaces on city property past the water treatment plant but the road needs to be cleared first.

Maryann asked about any city plans for “Hobo Hill”, the tsunami evacuation point for businesses and residents in South Beach. Tim says that ODOT is against any “improvements like tables or benches.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:15pm. Next meeting is April 9<sup>th</sup>.**

