

January 14, 2020
5:34 P.M.
Newport, Oregon

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee met on the above date in Conference Room A of Newport City Hall. In attendance were Committee Members Minda Stiles, Susan Hogg, Thomas Follett, Jacob Osburne, and Michael Rioux. Also in attendance was Council Liaison CM Hall and City Recorder Peggy Hawker. Not in attendance were Daniella Crowder and Nicholas Graves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made by Osburne, seconded by Hogg, to approve the minutes of December 10, 2019. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Continued Discussion on Walking Routes to be Included in Walking Map. Hawker introduced the agenda item. She asked if the preference would be recreational walking routes, utilitarian walking routes, or a combination of both. Osburne said he likes the combination of both. Rioux agreed, and stated there may be overlap anyway. Hawker noted one of the potential routes mentioned before was at Big Creek Park. Rioux suggested a walking route from Agate Heights to Pacific Shores RV area. Hogg asked where people could walk in town. She stated she only sees people walking in a few areas like the Bayfront and Coast Street. Hawker indicated the committee does not have to make a map if they don't see it as a valuable project. Stiles noted some places people want to walk like to the lighthouse aren't safe. She asked if the committee should make a map with routes that aren't developed. Rioux noted walking as a resident is a lot more complicated, and suggested focusing on a tourist map. Hawker stated another possibility is adding walking routes to the wayfinding map.

Discussion ensued on the need to improve walking and biking routes for residents. The committee came to a consensus creating a tourist walking map made sense. Hogg suggested a route from the Nye Beach hotels to the old lighthouse, to the beach, along one of the paths to the Coast Guard station, and ending at the Bayfront. Rioux suggested a walking route along the Bayfront that could be extended to the highway and lighthouse. Stiles suggested taking areas of town piece by piece at future meetings. Hawker summarized the committee members will individually use Google Maps to create walking routes. Stiles asked if members should consider a particular part or the whole town. Osburne stated he has no recommendations for tourist routes. Rioux suggested starting with the Nye Beach area. Stiles stated she is willing to take a stab at the Agate Beach area.

Sharrows on Nye Street - Continued Discussion. Hawker reported the issue would have to go before City Council, and she will take that before Council. Osburne asked if a traffic mirror could be placed by Oscars.

Ribbon Cutting for Stairway/Bike Channel Trail Continuation in Agate Beach. Hawker suggested holding the ribbon cutting in March.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.