

Big Lake Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes
September 10th, 2019
Big Lake Council Chambers

1. Introductions

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| a. Corrie Scott | City of Big Lake |
| b. Janine Foggia | Sherburne County Public Health |
| c. Brad Schnitzler | Big Lake Community Education |
| d. Melissa Pribyl | CentraCare Health |
| e. Bev Anderson | Big Lake Citizen |
| f. Roger Zeman | Big Lake Citizen |

2. Bike Club Discussion: Due to lack of attendees, Bev Anderson has decided to stop leading bicycle rides. Scotty Mitchell hopes to get more involved with the advisory group and bike club as his work schedule starts to slow down in the Fall. Corrie will keep in touch with Scotty in September/October. Janine brought up the idea of having a 'bike to an event' style ride to entice more people to join. Corrie talked about hoping to partner with Lupulin Brewing when a new leader steps up for the bike club. Corrie hopes that the new MN GreepCorps Member, Tom, will be interested in leading some rides this Fall and/or next Spring in an attempt to gain more interest in potential leaders from the existing Facebook group.

3. Educational Campaign Update

- a. Committee Folders: Corrie plans to create folders and bring them to the next meeting. They will include member contact information, maps of Big Lake, and other informational literature.
- b. Event Opportunities
 - i. ECFE in the Park: Melissa attended the August 21st event with a large bicycle template that kids could decorate with a variety of stickers. She also gave out safety handbooks, bike stickers and had some conversations with parents on biking in Big Lake while the kids decorated the bicycle template.
 - ii. Farmers Market: The winter market takes place the third Saturday of the month from November to April from 10am-1pm at City Hall. If committee members are interested and available, Corrie can provide a craft so that the group can hand out some bike information at any of the market dates.
 - iii. Family Fun Fest: Friday, October 4th from 5-7pm at Liberty Elementary. This is an opportunity to offer a kids craft and hand out information on the bike club and bike safety.

- c. Facebook Post Suggestions
 - i. Bev Anderson suggested that we post suggested bike routes. Corrie will also do an update on the McDowall Trail System construction when it is completed.
 - d. Fix-It Station Grant Status: The CentraCare grant for a Fix It Station has been awarded. Melissa Pribyl ordered a red Fix It Station for Metro Transit to install at the Big Lake Commuter Station. Corrie is working with Metro Transit to put together an agreement that will be brought to Council before installation.
 - e. MN GreenCorps Member Projects: Tom Wyatt-Yerka, our MN GreenCorps Member, will join Big Lake in September 2019-August 2020. Tom love to bicycle and uses it as his main mode of transportation in Minneapolis. Tom will be involved in the Bicycle Advisory Meetings and will be taking on some of the projects that Corrie hasn't been able to lead. Some examples would be the Bike Benefits Program and the Open Streets Event. Committee members are encouraged to think of other projects that are simple or complex that could be brought to Tom's attention when they join the committee at the October meeting.
 - f. Grant Opportunities: Melissa mentioned that Tom could research further grant opportunities that the group can apply for.
 - i. CentraCare grant: November
 - g. Parks and Trails Map progress: This project will hopefully be completed by Spring of 2020.
4. Infrastructure Goals Discussion: The McDowall Trail System is in progress to be repaved. The group had some other questions on infrastructure in Big Lake. Corrie is inviting Michael Healy to attend the next meeting to give an update.
5. Next Meeting on October 8th at 11:00 a.m. in Council Chambers