

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board (BPAB)
Minutes of the June 16, 2016 Meeting
Conway Fire Department Conference Room
The Meeting commenced at 6:03

Board Members Present: Amanda Potter Cole, Emily Walter, Matt Murphy, Mark Voyles, Bethany Stovall, Jim Bruce, Michael Yoder. Guest: Thomas Cole.

Members Absent: Greg Reddin, David Barber, Scott Lucas

1. Approval of Minutes of the May 19, 2016 Meeting. Michael Yoder made a motion to accept, Amanda Potter Cole seconded. Passed unanimously.

2. New Board Member. The Board has an opening for a SRTS representative. Emily Walter knows someone who has good potential and will approach her.

3. Calendar Items: Conway Days at UCA is an upcoming event in August. Date and time to be determined. Michael Yoder and Emily Walter to help with this. Michael Yoder will reach out to Jeremy Crabb of the UCAPD.

4. Budget Requests. Item tabled.

5. Old Business

a. the 2015 Annual Report needs to be finalized. Greg Reddin indicated that he would complete the necessary edits.

b. Public Forum of Mayoral Candidates: Discussion occurred about considering using the poverty forum (Philip Fletcher) model. Amanda indicated that she has reached out to Mayor Townsell for suggestions, but contact has not yet been made. Discussion should resume during the June meeting once communication with the mayor has occurred.

6. New Business.

a. Schools (Colleges) Committee. The purpose is to get representation from the three colleges of Conway. Michael Yoder to reach out to Captain Jeremy Crabb of UCAPD

b. Healthy Conway. Jim Bruce attended the Healthy Conway meeting, and reported that he had originally thought it would be about health/fitness issues. Instead, it was geared more toward a healthy economy for Conway. Discussion occurred surrounding the idea that health and fitness are crucial to a healthy economy. Jim Bruce referred to the book *Bikenomics: How Bicycling Can Save the Economy*, by Elly Blue. Mayor Townsell would like a document by September about Conway's economic sustainability, and the members of BPAB agreed unanimously that the Board should be involved in the production of the document. Amanda Potter Cole will discuss with Mayor Townsell his thoughts on the future of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, in light of the Healthy Conway initiative.

c. Jim Bruce suggested that no BPAB moneys be spent on the airport picnic table idea because the location at the airport site suggested by the City is not workable. Instead,

our scarce resources would be better spent on giveaways for Bike to School Day and Walk to School Day. Funds could also be allocated to acquire copies of *Bikenomics* to hand out to City officials.

d. Thomas Cole of the Conway Police Department discussed Directed Patrol Actions (DPAs). Problems of all kinds are reported to officers so that they can keep an eye out for their occurrence. One example is that drivers frequently drive in bicycle lanes. He suggested that we be thinking about particular areas of the city and particular circumstances (or times of day) that involve increased risks to bicyclists and pedestrians, and report these as DPAs. We should email such ideas to Thomas Cole.

7. Emily Walter motioned to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 6:56.