PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES City Hall 4:00 PM June 4th, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm by Denise Jeska

1. ROLL CALL

Denise Jeska	Chair, Disabled Community	Present
Michael Fuller	Vice Chair, General Public	Present
Monica Donegan	Bicycling Community	Absent
Michael Wood	University of Idaho	Present
Michael Light	Landscape Architect	Vacant
Vacant	School District 271/SR2S Rep	Vacant
Vacant	Environmental/Retired Community	Present
John Brunning	North Idaho Trail Foundation	Absent
Amy Evans	City Council Liaison	Present
Brant Souvenir	General Public/Water Access	Absent
David Passaro	Walking Community	Present
Alistair McIntire	Student Representative	Vacant
Vacant	Alternate Student Representative	Z Present
10 Members	Quorum Obtained	7 Present

City Staff Attending

Monte McCully Trails Coordinator, Liaison

Public Attending

None

2. <u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST</u> None.

3. <u>APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES – Action Item</u>

John Bruning made a motion to approve the May 2025 minutes. Mike Fuller seconded the motion, there being no further discussion, and all being in favor, the motion passed.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

5. STAFF REPORT

Monte McCully, Trails Coordinator, reported that the Parks Department had their first annual trail rodeo, where a large portion of the department did all the trail mowing in one week's time. It was a great success and was a great way to get all the trails looking nice during the heaviest growing period of the year. The Department also took over the 95 Trail this year and will mow and plow it going forward.

The Streets Department repaved the lower trail near the Wastewater Treatment Plant to address the hazardous sinking and bumps in that trail.

Monica and Monte designed a new trail sign that will address a few key rules for riding on the trails. It will address Keeping Right, Dogs on a Leash, and a reminder about the speed limit.

They discussed e-motorcycles and police enforcement. Monte told the committee about the very large number of complaints the department receives about kids on e-motorcycles flying

down the trails at really high rates of speed. There seems to be a lot of concern that these kids are going to hurt someone or themselves if not stopped. Monica will get clarification from the PD if e-motorcycles are officially against the law and will be targeted. Monte stated that the City's legal department is working on updating the motorized vehicles ordinance to make clear what is allowed and what isn't. Hopefully, that will come with some enforcement that will stop the increasing use by these motorcycles. Each member of the committee discussed running into these kids and the arguments that happened with them. They usually flip anyone off or curse anyone out who tells them they aren't allowed on the trails. Parents of these kids also argue and defend them. It's getting ugly out there, and the motorcycles are damaging both public and private property.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Non-Motorized Transportation Meeting Recap Woody NO Update
- Motorized Vehicle Ordinance Update Monte
 - Covered during the e-motorcycle discussion.
- Speed Limit Awareness Progress Monte
 - Covered during the sign discussion during the staff report. Monte mentioned that people are stealing signs along the Centennial trail in Post Falls and the County.

• Social Media Videos – Monte

 Monte talked about how they used to set a day and time every week to record PSA's. The sub-committee decided to meet Friday at 1 pm to get it going. Monte will send a script to get it started. He is also going to research how to film and upload these types of short videos.

• Bike Friendly App – Mike Light

 Mike Light has begun the application process and will be gathering answers to questions from the various departments during the month. The application is due June 25th.

• Bike to Work Recap – Mike Light or Woody

 The Committee discussed ways to improve Bike to Work Week. Monte talked about all the events they used to do. They have done parades, fashion shows, bike rodeos, bike movies, a bike scavenger hunt, a corporate challenge, and kick-off and closing rides. It takes a lot of planning, and the Department no longer has the time to do all that planning, so the committee would have to do that if they wanted to have a larger event like that.

7. <u>SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS – Information Items</u>

- Awareness/Advocacy/Education:
 - o Did not meet.
- Infrastructure:
 - Mike Fuller asked about the progress of Priority Corridors. Monte told them that he has to regroup and go back to council later to get it passed. Monte updated the committee on the timeline for finishing the Prairie trail to HWY 41. Post Falls is on track to have it built by next summer. The underpass may be going in at the same time. John informed the committee about the mastic crack filling and sealcoating at the state line for the first mile of the Centennial Trail.
- Bikeways Master Plan:

- o Did not meet.
- Bike and Walk Week:
 - Already Covered

8. <u>ROUND TABLE – Information Items:</u>

Denise Jeska: The Mayor contacted Denise to tell her that a lady has an electric wheelchair to donate and to pass the word to anyone who may be in need of an electric wheelchair. **Alistair:** Wants to stay on the committee as the Student Rep for another year.

Monica Donegan: Monica will report back when she gets word from the PD what they will enforce in regards to emotorcycles.

Amy Evans: Absent.

David Passaro: Absent.

John Bruning: John spoke about the rerouting of the Centennial Trail at 23rd and Ashton, and the meeting we have scheduled to get the Trail Foundation's blessing on the change. **Brandt Souvenir:** Brandt explained the project at Phippeny Park. He told the committee about

the need for stormwater storage at that location. There is an existing system of stormwater pipes that gather a great deal of water at that location. A large swale was needed for overflow and to act as a filter to clean the water before it goes into the lake. Someone asked why the trail wasn't finished, and he explained that the trail was at the wrong elevation and had to be fixed before being paved.

Monte McCully: Nothing.

Michael Light: He talked about some upcoming plans that Citylink has. He will forward information about some upcoming meetings they will be having.

Michael Wood: Absent.

Michael Fuller: Nothing

MEETING ADJOURNED:

John Bruning made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mike Light seconded the motion. There being no further discussion and all being in favor, the meeting adjourned at 5:18 pm.

9. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, July 2nd, 4:00 PM, City Hall Conference Room 6.