

Minutes of the September 10, 2009 meeting of the WMPO BikePed Committee

Members Present:

Dave Staebler  
Todd Brohaugh  
Brian Ennis  
Paul Martinez  
Joshuah Mello  
Chris O'Keefe, Chair  
Michael Kirkbride  
Katie Ryan  
Jonnie Sharp  
Nolan Smith

Non-members Present:

None

Members Absent:

Travis Barnes  
Neil Brooks  
Joselyn McDonald  
Tom Rivers, Vice Chair

O'Keefe called the meeting to order at approximately 4:25pm.

- 1) TIGER Discretionary Grant: Mello presented the committee with an update on the joint TIGER Discretionary Grant application to be submitted on September 15.
- 2) NCDOT SPOT Bicycle Project Prioritization: Mello discussed the on-line survey to be completed by committee members. This survey will be used to rank the bicycle projects listed in the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan for the NCDOT SPOT process. The Cape Fear Commutes 2035 Transportation Plan will be used to rank the projects for SPOT next year.

2009 Prioritization adopted on TAC on September 30, 2009

- A) Bicycle lanes on Park Avenue between Hawthorne Road and South Kerr Avenue (River to the Sea Bikeway)
- B) Multi-use path on Eastwood Road from Military CutOff Road to Heide-Trask Drawbridge (UNCW Connector)
- C) Finish installing bicycle lanes on Greenville Loop Road at Oleander Drive (Soundside)
- D) Bicycle lanes on Pine Grove Drive between Holly Tree Road and Masonboro Loop Road (Soundside)
- E) Bicycle lanes on Carolina Beach Road between Myrtle Grove Road and Snows Cut Bridge (NC Bicycling Highways 3 & 5 and Soundside)
- F) Bicycle lanes on Dow Road (NC Bicycling Highways 3 & 5)
- G) Bicycle lanes on Masonboro Loop Road between Pine Grove Drive and Myrtle Grove Road (Soundside)
- H) Bicycle lanes on Myrtle Grove Road between Masonboro Loop Road and Carolina Beach Road (Soundside)
- I) Finish bicycle lanes on Middle Sound Loop (Soundside)

3) Holly Tree Elementary School Safe Routes to School Grant Application Denial:

Mello explained the reasoning behind the denial by NCDOT. The committee expressed concern that the application was denied based on seeking too little funding. This seemed questionable to the committee.

4) Ogden Elementary School Safe Routes to School Grant Application Denial: O'Keefe explained the reasoning behind the denial by NCDOT. The proposed cross-section of the multi-use path seemed to be the primary reason for denial.

5) Other Business: Jonnie Sharp addressed her efforts in regard to sustainability issues.

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6) Announcements

7) The next meeting was scheduled for October 8 at 4:15pm.

With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.