# Meeting Minutes

Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Date: September 22, 2016

#### **Members Present:**

Steve Whitney, Brunswick County
Shawn Spencer, New Hanover County
Tom Campbell, Town of Carolina Beach
Al Schroetel, Cape Fear Cyclists
Carol Stein, Pender County
Karin Mills, City of Wilmington
Nick Cannon, UNCW
Trey Burke, Town of Navassa
Neil Brooks, Town of Leland
Joe Boyd, Town of Belville
Beth Doliboa, WMPO
Adrienne Harrington, WMPO

#### **Additional Guests:**

Bethel Paris, East Coast Greenway
Alan Pytcher, NCDOT
Stephanie Ayers, NC Ports
John Pagenstecher, Cape Fear Cyclists
John Townsend, NHC Planning
Bastian Schroeder, Kittelson & Associates Inc.

### 1. Call to order

A. Harrington called meeting to order at 3:05pm.

## 2. Approval of Minutes from June 23, 2016

T. Campbell made motion to approve the minutes for August 25, 2016 motion seconded by A. Schroetel and it carried unanimously.

#### 3. New Business

- Section 8: The committee discussed the area surrounding Noble Middle School and decided to add a new project at Lou Belle St from Green Meadows Dr to Noble Middle School to accommodate traffic patterns. S. Whitney discussed Spartan Rd to Windemere Rd to Tanbridge Rd and the potential connection to the Cross City Trail with intersection improvements. He also brought attention to projects 261, 225 and 609 stating how those projects could provide a parallel facility to Market St. B. Schroeder brought up City of Wilmington Transportation Bond projects Pine Grove Dr, Greenville Loop Trail and Masonboro Loop Trail and how these future facilities could be connected through projects 133 and 134, consequently the committee decided to move those projects to high priority. The Wrightsville Beach area was discussed by the committee with the decision to make no project priority changes.
- IW2SD: A. Harrington informed the committee that International Walk to School Day is Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> and that various schools in New Hanover County will be participating.

#### 4. Discussion

- South Front Street (US 421 Truck) Designated Bicycle Lanes: Stephanie Ayers did an overview of the letter from NC Port's Executive Director, Paul Cozza. She discussed the work going on inside their terminals, the growth that will be happening in the next five years and the Port's stance on separating freight traffic and cyclist along that corridor.
   B. Doliboa requested volunteers to participate in a sub-committee to come up with solutions for the corridor. Al Schroetel, John Pagenstecher, Vice-President of Cape Fear Cyclist, and Steve Whitney volunteered, Bethel Paris said she would be interested in representing East Coast Greenway.
- Cape Fear Commuter Challenge 2016: A. Harrington did an overview on how the Cape Fear Commuter Challenge will work. The challenge will take place October 17<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup> and you can track your commutes using the My Open Roads app. A variety of great prizes will be distributed to people who save the most CO2 in each mode of transportation.

## 5. Announcements

- K. Mills requested that the committee add local bike/ped accidents to the agenda to
  ensure that the committee is taking time to recognize the victims of these accidents.
  This will be added as a discussion item in future agendas.
- A. Schroetel updated the committee on various ongoing projects in the region and discussed the Cape Fear Cyclists Club's grant distribution.

## 6. Next meeting

• October 27, 2016

## 7. Adjournment

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