

Meeting Minutes
Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Date: October 17, 2017

Members Present:

John Carter, Town of Leland
Shawn Spencer, New Hanover County
John Allen, Town of Belville
Carol Stein, Pender County
Al Schroetel, Cape Fear Cyclists
Adrienne Harrington, TDM
Stephen Whitney, Brunswick County
Pat O'Mahony, Pender County
Karin Mills, City of Wilmington

Additional Guests:

Abby Lorenzo, WMPO
Zoe Leonard, WMPO
John Townsend, New Hanover County
Adam Brown

1. Call to order

A. Harrington called meeting to order at 3:08pm.

2. Public Comment Period

No public comments.

3. Approval of Minutes from September 12, 2017

The Committee reviewed the minutes from September 12, 2017. S. Whitney made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. A. Schroetel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. New Business

- A. Harrington updated the Committee about the WMPO's staffing changes. There are no new WMPO staffing changes since the hiring of Abby Lorenzo and Jason O'Brien as Associate Transportation Planners. The WMPO is trying to fill the positions of Senior Transportation Planner, GIS Planner, and Transportation Engineer. A. Harrington informed the committee of vacant positions on the WMPO Bike/Ped Committee. She will bring the WMPO Bike/Ped Committee members spreadsheet to the meeting next month.
- Z. Leonard provided an update on the Go Coast Commuter Challenge. She reported that 940 people have pledged to participate and the goal is to have 400 people actually participate in the Commuter Challenge. The Commuter Challenge started on Monday October 16 and will run through Sunday October 29.
- A. Harrington gave a presentation on the results of the 2017 International Walk to School Day. Five schools participated in Option 1: Education. Six schools participated in Option 2: Education & Event. Over 1,250 students walked to school from the six schools that participated in a walking event. The presentation is attached.
- A. Harrington provided the results from the bicycle parking needs survey. There were three responses. Those responses are attached. S. Spencer said the three responses may reflect that bicycle parking (or lack thereof) is not an issue. K. Mills indicated there

is a need for more bicycle parking. S. Whitney and A. Schroetel responded that there was a lack of input. C. Stein indicated that the results don't reflect the need for bike parking, and those needs are concentrated in areas such as downtown Wilmington and Mayfaire. A. Harrington asked the Committee about next steps. She asked the Committee if our research is finished. If not, she asked the Committee how to move forward. She provided an option of doing an inventory of policies from each of the WMPO member jurisdictions regarding requiring new bike parking with new developments. K. Mills agreed this would be a good strategy and the Committee agreed. A. Harrington agreed to report back to the Committee next month with some information.

5. Discussion

- A. Harrington provided information to the Committee about the NC Bike Summit to be held in Wilmington November 3rd and 4th. There will be a volunteer sign up link sent out to the Committee for those who would like to volunteer to help.

6. Announcements

- A. Schroetel provided an update from Cape Fear Cyclists about the Daniel Fetner Bike Ride on Pleasure Island. It will be held on October 21, 2017 at 2:00 and will be held within Carolina Beach State Park.
- The Bike Walk NC Bike Summit will be held November 3rd and 4th in Wilmington.
- The next WMPO Technical Coordinating Committee will be held November 15th
- The next WMPO Board meeting will be held October 25th

6. Next meeting

- October 17, 2017 at 3 PM

7. Adjournment

S. Whitney made a motion to adjourn. A. Schroetel seconded the motion.