

CITY OF AUBURN, ALABAMA
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF November 27, 2018

A. Attendance:

Members:

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Interested Citizens:

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Commence: Vice President Brandy Ezelle called the meeting to order circa 7:10 p.m. C.D.T.

B. TOPICS:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The July 31, 2018, Minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

2. CREEKLINE PROJECT – OPELIKA, ALABAMA:

Ms. Shealy Langley presented the Creekline Project to the Committee members. Ms. Langley, along with her husband, Rock Langley (not present) have to date presented the project to the Opelika City Council, Opelika Bicycle Advisory Committee, Auburn Greenspace Committee, and CAMP. Each has urged the Langleys to pursue the project. The project is envisioned as a multi-use (shared-use) way along the streams, greenways,

and streets of Opelika and interfacing with Auburn's Saugahatchee Creek, initially. Users to include canoeist, (road, gravel, and mountain) cyclists, and pedestrians. The intent is to provide ADA access to the maximum extent practical. Creeks to include: Saugahatchee, Pepperell Branch, and Rocky Brook. Streets to include: Morris Avenue, 10th Street, Waverly Parkway, among others. Additional intent is to link major retail areas such as Downtown Opelika, TigerTown, and schools (e.g., elementary, middle, high schools and community colleges. Existing bikeways to be utilized include Veterans Parkway, Rocky Brook, Sanford Avenue, Sportsplex, among others. Project would be phased, beginning with Saugahatchee Creek (See Auburn's Greenspace plan improvements to provide water sports access at North Donahue). Ms. Langley commented that it is hoped that eventually the City of Opelika will incorporate the Project into its own master planning effort via City Engineer Scott Parker, Planning Director Matt Mosley, and Opelika Bicycle Advisory Board Shirley Lazenby. The Project is further envisioned as a public/private sector joint venture to further improve the quality of life of area residents, and as another economic development opportunity for the bi-city area. (Langley's Facebook page, and attachment – 1 pg).

3. BIKE BASH:

After much discussion, the Committee elected to hold the Event on Saturday, April 6, 2019, instead of the previously approved Saturday, April 13th date. Reasons for the revision include, but were not limited to, the following: Conflict with AU's A-Day; EMS and Police support; conflicts with AU graduation, Auburn School System summer break; and the resultant availability of volunteer corps. It's estimated that approximately 40 +/- volunteers will be needed to staff the Event. Event Coordinator Gabby Meredith will not be available on April 6th; hence, Gabby to prepare list of tasks to be performed on or before April 6th. Gabby to provide list for the next Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 29, 2019. Members will volunteer for select tasks. Start/Finish Line to be finalized pending discussions with School Administrator(s): Top three (3) choices: Auburn Junior High; Auburn High School; and Town Creek Park, respectively.

4. FIT FEST:

Opportunity exists to participate in Auburn's *Fit Fest*, a health fitness and life style event to be held Saturday, January 12th from 2:00 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Frank Brown Recreation Center. Committee has to submit application with Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement, as well as provide a door prize valued at \$25.00 or greater. Brandy commented that Bruno Ulrich had expressed an interest in helping with the Event. (Subsequent to the meeting Peter Livant informed Bruno that he and David Kern would serve to assist Bruno with staffing the Event).

5. COMMITTEE STANDING:

Brandy commented that Committee members serving on the Committee are requested to express their continued interest in serving on the Committee prior to year's end.

6. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned circa 8:05 p.m. CDT.

End of Minutes

Minutes Transcribed by BOU/recorded by others.