



January 28, 2019

## BICYCLE ISSUES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. The following individuals were present:
  - Chad Stearman
  - Chris Salt
  - Devin Quince
  - Heidi Quince
  - Nicholas Ellens
  - Phil Greenwald
  
2. **November 26, 2018 Meeting Minutes:** The committee was asked to review the meeting minutes for the November 26, 2018 Bicycle Issues Committee meeting and let Ben Ortiz know whether there were any corrections that needed to be made.
  
3. **2019 Bicycle Issues Committee Work Program:** Ben asked those present what the committee would like to accomplish in 2019. The following are a list of action items that the committee would like to pursue in the coming year:
  - Heidi Quince asked for a bigger and better Bike Month
  - Devin Quince asked that cycling be embraced by City Council in the form of a sanctioned Bicycle Advisory Committee or an Active Transportation Modes Advisory Board on par with the Transportation Advisory Board.
  - Chad Stearman requested timelines for when things will happen with respect to bicycling infrastructure projects.
  - Chris Salt suggested an education program on how to get around town safely by bicycle.
  
4. **Advocacy: A Tale of 4 Chickens:** Ben discussed the history of how backyard chickens came to be allowed in the City of Longmont when they were previously regarded as agricultural uses only allowed in agricultural zones. It took one person having a conversation with one of their City Council members at a Coffee with Council to get the ball rolling on the research and writing of an ordinance which was eventually passed. Ben also noted that at the January 8, 2019 meeting of City Council that the City Council directed staff to come back with updates on the city's codes as they relate to bicycling and how local codes are out of step with statewide regulations. Ben recommended using the same approach to lobby City Council on things that the Bicycle Issues Committee would like to see happen.

5. **The Future of the Bicycle Issues Committee:** Ben noted that he and Phil would explore how to go about getting a City Council sanctioned advisory committee and would report back findings.
6. **Items from Staff:** Ben listed a number of items of interest. They are listed as follows:
  - Ben's new role as of January 1<sup>st</sup> is the City's new transportation planner with a primary focus on non-automobile transportation modes.
  - Boulder County has 70 bicycle racks that they would like to install in Longmont and Boulder County requested locations where they can be installed. The issues committee recommended the following spots: 1) Francis strip mall, north of 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue; 2) Longs Peak between Main Street and Coffman; 3) Destination locations including Union Reservoir and MacIntosh Lake; 4) Sandstone Ranch; 5) Boulder County Fairgrounds, especially near location of the farmers market.
  - Ben noted that bicycle map revisions were in process for the 2019 map and anticipated a May rollout of the new 2019 map.
  - Ben discussed City Council's direction to update them on bicycling codes.
  - Ben made the members present aware of the upcoming RTD BRT Project and CDOT's proposed bikeway Open House scheduled for February 6, 2019 at the Longmont Public Library.
  - Ben made the members present aware that Winter Bike to Work Day is scheduled for February 8, 2019 and that the City would be hosting a station at the Development Services Center from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
  - Ben made the members present aware that the City will be hosting a Multi-Modal connections in Longmont public meeting on March 6, 2019 at the Longmont Museum.
7. **Agenda items for the parking lot:**
  - Devin noted a crash between a person riding a bicycle and a person driving a car on Nelson Road, north side between Hover and Lykins Gulch. Devin wanted to know what the concrete section on the north side is classified as. Is it a sidewalk? Is it a side path?
  - Devin noted that he would be forwarding an article for inclusion into LoCo about cycling on Vehicular Cycling, why they're wrong and why they're right.
8. **Final thoughts for the good of the order:** None were offered.
9. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.