

CITY OF BATAVIA
Batavia Bicycle Commission Meeting
100 N. Island Ave., Batavia, IL 60510
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Monday, March 12, 2018
7:00 p.m. –**Meeting Minutes**

1. Roll Call: Present- Steve Erickson, Scott Brasel, Dave Pedersen, Randy Deicke, Joanne Spitz, Matt Knowles, John Burnham, Karen Cerveney

Absent: John Gamble, Amy Moore, Emil Jensen

2. Approve Minutes

3. Jersey order deadline and additional promotion - Jersey's are each \$50. Dave will order 20; we sold 11 and will order extra 9 to sell at All Spoked Up. Can reorder anytime at the same price. Money comes out of our city account funds. Sizing is same as a T-shirt. Thanks Dave for designing a fabulous jersey!

4. McKee crossing update –

Randy asked commission if we want signage to go up on Houston or McKee as the designated bike route. We chose Houston, since the city council seems to be going in direction of adding a crosswalk at Houston. Houston stops at Van Nortwick, and signage will direct bikers to McKee to go west. City council also discussed ideas of a streetscape and HAWK...will be years if these happen and require major funding.

The mayor stopped at our meeting to thank us for our work, and the advancement of biking and bike safety in Batavia. He shared some history on the bike trail and the high expense of a trail going along the river by the water treatment plant. He is very grateful to all of us for our work.

5. Bike route signage update and plans for new maps- Signage will go up soon, including at BHS and Mark Anderson will do that for us. New maps: We need to make sure we have current improvements/changes to bike routes and linkages on our website and check all links. John Burnham will check.

6. Bike safety in the Elementary Schools (May 8-11, 14) –

We have 5 days of bike ed, 6 schools, and we have 4 different sections we teach. Need a minimum of 3 people for each school, and ideally, 6 (2 at each station). We teach: Helmet Safety (egg drop), Bike Check/ABC's, Safety Talk. Based on the following, we may not be able to do May 14th. (Steve, Karen, Scott, Randy, John B cannot do any days). Emil, who is our star, offered to help everyday!! Maybe you can all recruit biker friends who want to help.

Tuesday, May 8 (JBN) 9:05: Joanne, John G, Matt, Emil
(HWS) 10:55: Joanne, John G, Amy M, Matt, Emil

Wednesday, May 9 (AGS) 9:05: John G, Amy M, Dave, Matt, Emil

Thursday, May 10 (HCS) 9:05: Joanne, John G, Matt, Emil

Friday, May 11 (LWS) 9:05: Joanne, John G, Dave, Emil

Monday, May 14 (9:05): John G, Emil

7. Pedaler's Jamboree-Anyone Interested? Memorial Day weekend, Columbia Missouri – No one committed to going at this time.

8. Bike to Market –

Amy reported they are going ahead with plans for the 2nd Saturday of each month. MainStreet has budgeted \$5 tokens (1 per person or family) to those who ride their bikes to the farmer's market. The vendor accepts the token and then turns it in to MainStreet for reimbursement. Amy is working to distribute bike materials on these Saturdays – Reflective stickers from City of Batavia sign shop, bike to the market mini-button pins, etc.

Volunteers needed for bike table/corral at Farmers Market on 2nd Saturdays.

Windmill City Fest needs more bike parking; along grassy area by city hall. Could also offer coupons for bike riders at WCF (token for a ride).

VIDEO from WalkBatavia: It is great; thanks to everyone who worked on it! Grant from AARP. Can view it on WellBatavia website:

www.wellbatavia.com

9. Bike Friendly Businesses-

Karen presented a great plan for BFB; newsletter to tell shops all the benefits. Considering a 3-year membership. Let stores sell sticker for bikers to put on helmets; then they can get 5% off at participating BFB locations. Talk about adding QR code to this sticker and to bike map. Karen suggested a welcome/gift bag with bike items for stores to help bikers (band aids, tools, maps, info). Promote BFB with help of Chamber and MainStreet...attend their events. Put info at library. May push this to really get started for summer 2019.... depends on planning process. Thanks Karen.

10. Bikes for Batavia- Matt will work on items to purchase with Rotary funds. Scott is graduating but plans to be around to stay involved with Bikes for Batavia. Scott will ask Julie Alholm about a bike giveaway event for HCS. We will also reach out to school counselors. Matt gave away a lot of unusable bikes; have about 50 good ones to give away.

