

## **CITY OF BATAVIA**

**Batavia Bicycle Commission Meeting**  
**(630) 454-2000 <http://www.cityofbatavia.net>**  
**Monday, May 10, 2021**  
**7:00 p.m. -Minutes**

1. Roll Call: John Gamble, Joanne Spitz, Jenn Ress, John Burnham, Randy Deicke, Jared Heck, Evan Thomas, Steve Ericksen, Brett Garrett  
Absent: Emil Jensen, Amy Moore, Dave Pedersen, Troy Simpson
2. Approve Minutes
3. Officer Eul visit: Police use social media to disseminate information. Slow down campaign signs available. Best results come from bite sized pieces of info.

Bike to School Day- Officers and fire dept visited the 3 schools requesting them to visit. Bikes for Police- not likely; they are down 4 officers. Could interact with public in a more social setting, maybe at an event or a Great 8 bike ride. 3 officers are trained for riding. Great to have police out to interact where there is more frequent conflict. They try to be in high volume traffic areas.

Citations are given to cyclists and motorists, depends on the situation and driving history. Have discussed if cyclists have to stop at stop signs if no cars coming from other directions. Batavia has a lot of stop signs! Easiest for all when there are bike lanes.

If anyone has something important to share....Please send info to Officer Eul! He wants to help! And he is always looking for social media content, so share with him.

Other ideas: Safety presentation at Great 8. School based rides with an officer and combine with small rodeo. Uses police social media to promote bike quiz; use bike quiz at any activity.

4. Safe Streets report from Jen: Some interaction on social media, but not a lot. Police will share it. Joanne sent to BPS101 communications director, and quiz is now in backpack mail and in info for schools to use in their newsletters. Post on What's Happening in Batavia. Also in display case at library, and some posters in downtown shops.
5. Bikes For Batavia: Evan gave away 11 bikes this month. He got an adult trike donated for a Chip In family...17 year old with non malignant brain tumor & epilepsy, and Chip In bought a lock. Have requests for 8 more...5 to Mutual Ground. He is talking to Working Bikes. May sell some kids bikes as we have to many and bikes will be in short supply this summer for those that can afford a bike. Do not solicit for groups to use BfB..don't have enough mechanics.

Evan will make a flyer for the BPS101 resource fair, which is for low income families on June 3.

6. Batavia Apartment Visit: It was agreed BBC would do 1 evening program, similar to the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade bike ed we did. Joanne will coordinate a weeknight evening, and work with commissioners to get it organized. Will ask police to join us. So far, volunteers include: Jared, John, Joanne, Amy. Will have to get a flyer made.
7. Bike to School Day: Much quieter this year. Police and Fire went to the 3 schools who requested them to visit. JBN had the biggest turnout of elementary. RMS had very full bike racks.
8. Bike Parade: Amy sent out info to BBC and will check in trailer for anything to bring. Jen & Evan will attend. Abby Beck organizing a bike decorating event and parade. Starts at 6PM. Let Amy know if you can help. The flyer said BBC will have bike resources and safety tips. At Depot Museum.
9. Signage: Jen will send Gary info with our updates; signs not needed on each side; we do still recommend the 2 signs Jen previously recommended.



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