

CITY OF BATAVIA

Batavia Bicycle Commission Meeting Minutes

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Monday, August 9, 2021

7:00 pm - Outside City Hall

1. Roll Call
 - Present: John Burnham, Randy, John Gamble, Jered Heck, Amy Moore, Dave Pederson Jen Ress and guest Phil Vitkus
2. Bikes for Batavia – Evan (via email)
 - 16 bikes donated to community members
 - 1 bike that was previously given out was brought in for repairs - AND the recipient asked to learn how to fix it for herself in the future, so I gave her a tutorial
 - 14 bikes sold to community members generating \$350, all of that cash has been given to Cheryl at the Fire Station
 - We currently have 75 bikes in the shop, we still do NOT need kids' bikes, but are always willing to take bikes in rideable condition (I know this is a bit confusing)
 - We have 6 brand new 20" bikes (kids), 3 new 24" bikes (teen), and 4 new 26"/700c (adult) - they all need some sort of repair (one had the rear derailleur sucked into the back wheel) and once repaired, they will all go to Mutual Ground for their Christmas/Holiday "store" - we did this last year by picking out our nicest bikes - this year they get NEW bikes!
 - Julie Ford left Mutual Ground, but the new "Julie" - Krystyna and I have already met and get along well - we will continue our relationship.
 - I am still working with Lazarus house and get them 2-4 bikes per month, they just requested 2 more.
 - I will be reaching out to BPS contacts in the next week or so to let them know we are here to help them (let's just hope they don't all request bikes at once!)
3. Street signage and presentation – Jen
 - Public Works is on-board with the 3' signage after Gary receives information from the State.
 - Randy: Gary received the memo but he isn't comfortable with using the signage until it is officially approved and adopted.
 - Jen will ask when the updates are expected.
4. Main Street sharrows – John Gamble
 - Sharrows on the south side of the street only. This was the COB staff recommendation. John will send out the staff memo
 - Randy: Half of the sharrows will be removed.
 - John: Is there anything that can be done to improve it? Table until next meeting.
5. Ride the FFROG
 - Saturday, August 28
 - 22 cyclists are registered so far.
6. Other
 - Bike Friendly Community – Amy
 - Randy: met with Ed of Ride Illinois and Heather of Active Trans regarding the Bike Plan update. A third consultant was also contacted.
 - The Bike Plan update will cost \$26,000 – half will come from the 2021 budget and the other half from the 2022 budget. The Bike Commission should be at the Council meeting when the update is discussed.
 - Mail – My husband and I would like shirts that say "Tell me that you are passing on my left."

- Phil – Batavia has come out with a RFQ for Route 1 between Fabyan and Millview. Wondering what the Bike Commission thinks of a Route 31 road diet?
 - The Bike Commission supports pursuing a road diet. We feel that it would calm traffic and it would be easier to cross 3 lanes instead of 4 lanes.
 - The Iowa Department of Transportation has an interesting video regarding road diets.