



## West Lafayette Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

Minutes of Meeting held Thursday January 10, 2013 6:00 PM  
Board Room, West Lafayette Public Library

Present: Curt Ashendel (presiding), Frankie Bouscher, Jesse Charles, Stewart Frescas, Nick Harby, Andy Hirsch, Roseann Lyle, and Jane Yacilla

### 1. The meeting was called to order at 5:57 pm.

2. **Corrections were requested for the minutes** of the previous meeting (November 8, 2012) which were posted to the WLBPB web site (<http://www.westlafayettebikeped.org/Committee/Minutes.html>) on January 8, 2013 and also provided at this meeting. None were noted in the meeting.

### 3. News of developments since the last meeting

- a. Jane told about the new Miracle Fitness (on the site of the old Kmart), which originally did not have any bicycle parking. Eventually on her suggestion to the owner, a bicycle rack was installed but in a dark area on the side of the building near the dumpster. The owner complained that he was constrained by City rules about the placement of the bike rack. During discussion of this, Andy said he would bring it up at the next meeting of the Traffic Committee, which he serves on. Also, the rules should be encouraging bicycle parking, so it will be important to find out what really happened in this situation.
- b. Andy reported that the City is still working with Bicycle Indiana for Share the Road signs which will be placed on each of the approaches to the new bridge over the Celery Bog.

### 4. Open forum for problems and ideas for new actions

Nick reported that during the latest snow, there was no removal of snow along Salisbury or on the Happy Hollow Road bridge over Sagamore Parkway.

### 5. Projects of the Committee (Only the following projects were discussed)

- a. **Counting cyclists and pedestrians to determine long term trends in commuting, including biking and walking to schools by schoolchildren.** Andy suggested contacting John Fricker in Civil Engineering at Purdue to see if he might have a student or class that could do this. Jesse indicated that there was a student (Jordan Williams) who did such counts as part of a study and that he would send Curt the paper on this, which includes the results from the counts. It was also suggested that City Bus might make its bike rack use counts available to us. Curt will check on this.
- b. **Bike to work day** Andy indicate a request for additional participation on the organizing committee for this annual event.
- c. **Web site development** It was again suggested that the web site be used to advocate for participation in Bike to Work day.

## **6. Upcoming meetings:**

- The next meeting of the Citizens Participation Committee of the Area Plan Commission has not yet been announced, but the meetings are normally scheduled every other month (starting in January) on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. If held according to this it would next meet on January 22, 2013. They are usually at 7PM Tuesday in the Grand Prairie room of the County Office Building. (It turned out later that the meeting was held on Jan 29).

## **7. Other business and announcements**

The next scheduled meeting of this committee is March 21. This is the third Thursday, rather than the second Thursday due to Spring Break at Purdue and WLCSC schools.

## **8. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm**

These minutes were submitted to the WLBPC website on March 20, 2013 by Curt Ashendel