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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee**

Tuesday, March 21, 2017

10:30 a.m.

NWMC Offices

1600 E. Golf Road, Suite 0700, Des Plaines

AGENDA

- MEMBERS**
- Antioch
- Arlington Heights
- Bannockburn
- Barrington
- Bartlett
- Buffalo Grove
- Carpentersville
- Cary
- Crystal Lake
- Deer Park
- Deerfield
- Des Plaines
- Elk Grove Village
- Evanston
- Fox Lake
- Glencoe
- Glenview
- Grayslake
- Hanover Park
- Highland Park
- Hoffman Estates
- Kenilworth
- Lake Bluff
- Lake Forest
- Lake Zurich
- Libertyville
- Lincolnshire
- Lincolnwood
- Morton Grove
- Mount Prospect
- Niles
- Northbrook
- Northfield
- Northfield Township
- Palatine
- Park Ridge
- Prospect Heights
- Rolling Meadows
- Schaumburg
- Skokie
- Streamwood
- Vernon Hills
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- I. Call to Order/ Introductions**
- II. Approval of February 21, 2017 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approval of Minutes
- III. NWMC Multimodal Transportation Plan (Attachment B- sent under separate cover)**
Staff will present the draft RFQ for updates to the NWMC Bike Plan to the committee for comments and approval
Action Requested: Discussion/Approval
- IV. Forest Preserve District of Cook County Invest in Cook Application (Attachment C- sent under separate cover)**
The Forest Preserve District of Cook County has submitted an application for Invest in Cook funding to improve the rail crossing on the Des Plaines River Trail. Staff will propose contributing to this project using funds from the NWMC special projects fund.
Action Requested: Discussion/Approval
- V. CMAQ/TAP Call for Projects**
Staff will provide an overview of submitted applications for CMAQ and TAP funding from the Northwest and North Shore Councils.
Action Requested: Informational
- VI. Project Updates**
- VII. Other Business**
- VIII. Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee will be scheduled for April 18, 2017.
Action Requested: Informational
- IX. Adjournment**

**Northwest Municipal Conference
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Tuesday, February 21, 2017
Draft Meeting Minutes
10:30 a.m.
NWMC Offices**

Committee Members Present:

Arlene Juracek, Chair, Village of Mount Prospect
AC Buehler, Vice Chair, Village of Northbrook
Richard Bascomb, Village of Schaumburg
Jim Baxa, Village of Northbrook (phone)
Nellie Beckner, Village of Mount Prospect
Andrew Jennings, Village of Wheeling
Brooke Jones, Village of Wheeling
Joe Kenney, Village of Glenview
Katherine Knapp, City of Evanston
Laura Linehan, Village of Fox Lake
Natalie Ossowski, Village of Barrington
Harry Spila, Village of Palatine

Others Present:

Lindeay Bayley, CMAP
Mark Biederwolf, Village of Buffalo Grove
Jackie Blair, Active Transportation Alliance
Brian Pigeon, NWMC
Dan Randolph, Village of Niles
Kristy Stone, Village of Bartlett
Nancy Wagner, Active Transportation Alliance
Mike Walczak, NWMC
Adriana Webb, Village of Glenview
Terry Witt, Spindoctor Cycleworks

I. Call to Order/ Introductions

Trustee Buehler called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and asked those present for introductions.

II. Approval of January 17, 2017 Meeting Minutes.

On a motion by Mayor Juracek, seconded by Mr. Kenney, the committee voted to approve the minutes as presented.

III. ON TO 2050: Non-Motorized Transportation Snapshot, Initial Findings

Ms. Bayley discussed the background of the Non-Motorized Transportation snapshot, its purpose, structure and how it sought to identify existing conditions and emerging trends. She discussed the other snapshot reports begin generated by CMAP. She discussed the Regional Greenways and Trails plan, crashes and safety issues, equity, economic development and data sources.

Ms. Knapp noted that the City of Evanston is reviewing best practices for truck side guard requirements and will be considering legislation for their implementation. Mayor Juracek asked how this would be enforced. Ms. Knapp noted that New York requires sideguards on their garbage trucks and Boston requires them on contractor's trucks as well as their own fleet of vehicles weighing over 10,000 pounds.

IV. Active Transportation Alliance Suburban Policy Program

Ms. Blair provided an overview of ATA's suburban policy. She discussed the upcoming Suburban Bikeways for All report and outreach and communication tools. She also discussed the five identified policy goals: development of an active transportation plan, adoption of a complete streets policy, dedicated funding, implementation and a bicycle and pedestrian advisory committee. She also discussed messaging strategies including: crash reduction, land use, public health, environment, and economic development.

She noted that ATA would be holding 4 advocacy summits, in the North Shore, Northwest, West and South suburbs. The organization will also be holding advocacy webinars and issue-based webinars. She encouraged municipal staff who were interested in presenting at these webinars to reach out to her. She also discussed the suburban research bank, which would be a resource for best practices in the region and let the public now about exciting projects in the region. She listed several projects including Pace's Pulse Dempster Line. Mr. Pigeon noted that Pace would also be operating a Pulse line on Milwaukee Avenue.

Mr. Spila asked who these initiatives were targeting. Ms. Blair replied that the intended audience was new members beyond traditional bike clubs. Ms. Bayley asked if there was a Facebook group. Ms. Blair said not yet. She added that the initiatives would launch in the spring and that the conference would provide input on strategy and goals as well as present at future webinars.

Mr. Pigeon discussed the online application process for this call for projects. He created an example project using CMAP's eTIP system and discussed the system's financial line items and mapping process. He encouraged project sponsors to reach out to their respective planning liaison with any questions regarding the application process.

V. Project Updates

Ms. Beckner announced that Mt. Prospect's covered bike parking project was going to IDOT letting. Mr. Walczak updated the committee on the CMAQ and TAP project applications submitted from the North Shore and Northwest Councils noting that there were 14 application total, ten of which were for bike and pedestrian projects.

Mr. Kenney asked about the status of the NWMC Bike Plan update. Mr. Walczak replied that the RFP would be discussed in detail at the March meeting. He also discussed two applications for Invest in Cook funding, one from the West Central Municipal Conference for improvements on the Des Plaines River Trail near Franklin Park and another from the Forest Preserve District of Cook County looking to improve the rail crossing on the DPRT in Des Plaines.

VI. Other Business

VII. Next Meeting

Trustee Buehler announced that the next meeting was scheduled for March 21.

VIII. Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Bascomb the committee voted to adjourn at 11:05 a.m.