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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee**

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

10:30 a.m.

NWMC Offices

1600 E. Golf Road, Suite 0700, Des Plaines

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order/ Introductions**

- II. Approval of February 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approval of Minutes

- III. Complete Streets Coalition Update**
Staff will provide an update on the Chicagoland Complete Streets Coalition and discuss future meeting topics.
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion

- IV. Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Project Updates**
Staff will provide an update on the status of relevant projects funded through the Local Technical Assistance Project.
Action Requested: Informational

- V. Northbrook Area Bike Commuting Update**
NWMC staff will discuss the most recent Northbrook Area Bike Commuting Food for Thought meeting.
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 19, 2016.
Action Requested: Informational

- IX. Adjournment**

Executive Director
Mark L. Fowler

**Northwest Municipal Conference
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Tuesday, February 16, 2016
Draft Meeting Minutes
10:30 a.m.
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Committee Members Present:

Trustee AC Buehler, Co-Chair, Village of Northbrook
Richard Bascomb, Village of Schaumburg
Jim Baxa, Village of Northbrook
Mike Hankey, Village of Hoffman Estates
Joe Kenney, Village of Glenview
Scott Mangum, City of Des Plaines
Natalie Ossowski, Village of Barrington

Others Present:

Bruce Christensen, Lake County
Brian Sheehan, Village of Buffalo Grove
Nancy Wagner, Active Transportation Alliance
Brian Pigeon, NWMC
Mike Walczak, NWMC

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 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Hankey, seconded by Mr. Baxa, the committee voted to approve the minutes as presented.

III. CDOT Make Way for People Program

Mr. Walczak discussed the Chicago Department of Transportation's (CDOT) Make Way for People program as well as funding available through the Unified Work Program (UWP). He asked the committee for input of the applications. Trustee Buehler noted that all comments should be submitted to Mr. Walczak.

IV. Skokie Valley Trail- Lake-Cook Road Bridge

Mr. Christensen discussed the existing Skokie Valley Trail in Lake County and plans being developed by Lake and Cook counties to build a bicycle and pedestrian bridge over Lake-Cook Road. He noted that Lake County would lead Phase I Engineering with Cook County taking the lead on Phase II Engineering and Construction. He discussed a recent federal coordination meeting and that Northbrook will be doing Phase I engineering for their portion of the trail, which will be packaged together with the bridge in a federal grant application. He noted that construction would begin in 2018 regardless of whether CMAQ funds were acquired.

V. Project Updates

Mr. Baxa noted that Phase I Engineering for the Skokie Valley Trail in Northbrook would be completed in time to apply for the next round of CMAQ funding.

Mr. Bascomb noted that Schaumburg would begin a Phase I study on connections to Hoffman Estates along Higgins Road. Phase I studies would also begin on Martingale Road and Roselle Road and the village would be studying connections to Rolling Meadows under IL-53. He also noted that the village would also be selecting a firm to study bike network gaps and that the village would be installing more bike racks at their Metra station.

Mr. Hankey described the Phase I kick-off for an IDOT project along Barrington Road, noting that the village had requested IDOT extend the project limits to Central Road.

VI. Other Business

Ms. Wagner reported that Skokie was developing a Complete Streets policy and it would soon go before the village board and that Active Transportation Alliance was currently assisting Melrose Park in the development of a Complete Streets policy.

Mr. Walczak informed the committee that CMAP was suspending consultant-led Local Technical Assistance (LTA) projects due to the current state budget stalemate. Mr. Walczak added that he did not anticipate a call for LTA projects this year.

He also noted that Pace would soon begin planning for the PULSE Dempster Line. Lastly he announced that the next meeting of the Northbrook Area Bike Commuter group would be February 23 at the campus of Allstate Insurance.

Mr. Kenney asked for a copy of the NWMC Bike Signage Plan.

VII. Next Meeting

Trustee Buehler noted that the next meeting of the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee would be held Tuesday, March 15.

VIII. Adjournment

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