

Bike! Walk! Northwest Georgia

June 1, 2006

Minutes

Attending: Michael Carver, Linda Jennings, Joe Anderson, Peggy Moore, Peter Cervelli, Jim Powell, Noaleen Ingalsbe, Heather Brand, Bill Moll, David Kenemer, Sherri Henshaw, David Howerin, Larry Madden, Tim Jones, Bobbie Perra, Patrick Clarey, Diane Smith

Minutes: The minutes of the April and May meetings were approved as submitted.

Walkability Conference and Safe Routes to School

- The Walkability Conference with Dan Durden has been set for August 31.
- 30 people responded positively on the survey out of about 130 letters sent.
- There will a Rome walkability assessment the morning of the conference
- From two to four assessments will be conducted on August 30 at towns who requested one on the survey. The locations have yet to be determined.
- The State Safe routes to School Coordinator has not yet been named
- The school surveys are completed and partially testd.
- Dr. Mike Buck, Assistant Superintendent of Rome City Schools, indicated that there was not enough time remaining to conduct the surveys this year

News from GDOT and CVRDC

- David Kenemer announced that he submitted a budget of \$98,000 to GDOT for Bike-Ped plan activities and received notice that \$90,000 will be awarded. That is the most that any region in Georgia will receive.
- David recognized the group for the good work we have done which contributed to the \$90,000 award.
- CVRDC plans to hire a full-time transportation planner who in addition to other duties will work on bike-ped activities.
- Workgroups were formed to get the work done to fulfill deliverables for the funding.

Workgroups

- Website – **Peter Cervelli**, Sheri Henshaw, Bill Moll, Diane Smith, CVRDC
- Inventory railroad corridors – **CVRDC**, Fred Wagner, Bobbie Perra, Joe Anderson
- Safe Routes to School – **Peggy Moore**, Linda Jennings, Patrick Clarey, Heather Brand, Diane Smith, CVRDC
- Signage – **Bill Moll**, David Senecal, Tim Jones, CVRDC
- Livable Communities Workshops – **Diane Smith**, Heather Brand, Noaleen Ingalsbe, CVRDC
- Walkability Assessments – **CVRDC**, Bobbie Perra, Sheri Henshaw, Peter Cervelli, Bill Moll, Patrick Clarey, Linda Jennigs, Diane Smith
- Media Packet – **Sheri Henshaw**, Bill Moll, CVRDC

Meetings with elected officials

- A meeting is scheduled at 3:00 PM June 12, 2006, at the Walker County Commissioner's Office with legislators representing Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade and Walker counties. Legislators include State Senator Jeff Mullis; Rep. Jay Neal; Rep. Martin Scott; U.S. Senator Johnny Isakson and Walker Co. Sole Commissioner Bebe Heiskell.

- The Bike! Walk! members attending the meeting will be Peter Cervelli, Bobbie Perra, James Powell, Diane Smith, Bill Moll and David Kenemer
- Plan for similar meeting for southern counties after June 12th meeting.

Next meeting: August 3, 2006 **(No meeting in July)**

Save the Date!

Creating Walkable Communities - One-day Workshop with Dan Burden
August 31, 2006 • 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM • The Forum, Rome, GA

In 2005 more bikes were sold than cars