

**Bike! Walk! Northwest Georgia**  
**January 4, 2007**  
**Minutes**

**Attending:** Mark Lamade, Dean Clemmer, Bill Moll, David Kenemer, David Howerin, Peggy Moore, Peter Cervelli, Diane Smith, Sheri Henshaw, Joey Davidson, Joe Anderson, Jamie McCord, Ed McBrayer, Michael Carver, Ken Hutchins, Kelly Jordon, Jim Powell, Don Oliver, Kurt Eichenberger, Larry Madden, Eric Lindberg, Jim Hunter, Bill Moll, Bobbie Perra, Phillip Pugilese, David Howerin, Jimmy Brown, Charles Jones

**Minutes:** The minutes of the November meeting were approved as submitted.

**Ed McBrayer**

Ed McBrayer, Executive Director of the Path Foundation was our guest speaker from [www.pathfoundation.org](http://www.pathfoundation.org) Ed gave a presentation on Path's history, mission and accomplishments. PATH concentrates on building paths – not on other aspects of bicycle advocacy. To answer questions and discussion about connections from the Silver Comet Trail to Chattanooga and specifically the Lyerly-Rome connection Ed said, yes with the approval of the Path Board of Directors, Path would be interested in this connection but that the way has to be cleared first. Path can help with building and possibly some funding but the access must be taken care of on this end. Bill asked for a volunteer. Larry Madden volunteered.

**Nomination and election**

Nominations and election were held. Chair, Bill Moll and Vice-Chair, Kurt Eichenberger were elected to one year terms.

**Safe Routes to School (SR2S)**

Bill has attended two state SR2S meetings. To receive infrastructure funding this round you must have a SR2S plan in place. Bill has a presentation and is willing to go to Boards of Education or PTOs. A school champion (someone or a group to take the lead) is essential. It can be a parent.

**Regional Bike Route Signage**

- Bill has met with Chickamauga, Trenton/Dade and LaFayette/Walker to integrate the regional bike routes with local routes
- Meetings with the other cities and counties will be held over the next months.

**Website**

Several proposals received with cost estimate ranging from \$3,500 to \$9,800 and time estimate from 2 months to 6 months. The sub-committee was given the go ahead to select and contract with a vendor.

**Tour de Georgia**

Rumor has it that Tour de Georgia will go through Rome again, through Summerville to Trenton to Chattanooga.

**Spring 2007 Livable Communities Workshops**

Submitted by D. Smith

- Bill is consulting with Bill Wilkinson, National Center for Bicycling & Walking about possible being the contractor for these workshops.

**Call for regional trail plan**

Don Oliver announced that Walker County is about ready with their trail plan and that if adjacent counties develop their plans everyone will be more likely to receive funding since connectivity is essential.

**Next meeting:** February 1, 2007