



## Meeting Minutes

*February 4, 2014, 5:30pm*

*INCOG Large Conference Room, 2 W 2nd St, Ste 800, Tulsa, OK*

***NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, April 1, 5:30pm INCOG Large Conference Room  
NO MARCH MEETING***

***March 4, 5:30pm, TCC Center for Creativity, BikePed Master Plan Kickoff***

### 1. Roll Call

Quorum present

**Members:** Jane Ziegler, Joani Dotson, Brent Stout, Mike Wozniak, Stephen Lassiter, Nathan Leigh, Gary Perceful, Mark Brown, Anne Domin, Mike Schooling

**Guests:** Jonathan Harris

### 2. Announcements

No March Meeting

Bike Ped Master Planning Kickoff, Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the TCC Center for Creativity

Kasey St.John updated the BPAC web page info including BPAC member names and a link to join our email distribution list, "Friends of BPAC".

Mark Brown joins BPAC, planning & traffic professional

Gary Perceful joins BPAC as an institutional member representing Tulsa Public Schools, though he feels this may be only until someone within TPS administration may be identified that would be interested.

### 3. Approve January meeting minutes

Approved

### 4. Bike Summit – Lessons Learned

Jane shared information from the meeting with League of American Bicyclists executive director, Andy Clarke, following his van tour with James Wagner, Matt Lechti, and Toole representatives. Tulsa was recently recognized, again, as a bronze Bicycle Friendly Community again through 2017, and he shared thoughts about where we might focus efforts in seeking Silver recognition.

Suggested focusing on areas where population and businesses already exist together, such as the Brady District and the area around TU might be good places to focus. Recommended focusing on increasing and improving infrastructure within a mile or so of these areas. Similarly suggested looking at transit centers as areas for improvement. Regarding education, Andy suggested educating motorists and perhaps adding safety messages at bus stop locations.

Nathan added that Andy recommended improving access to the trails system, adding way-finding information on the trail to indicate shopping, eating, etc, and direction to same.

James Wagner should have a complete list of written recommendations from the League to share.

Mike Schooling reported briefly on the Bike Summit activities. The bulk of the sessions focused on getting folks who don't currently ride to travel more by bike including women and young folks. Primary presenter was Ann Lusk from Harvard School of Public Health. A great deal of the program focused on cycle tracks, mostly examples she'd studied in China and elsewhere.

<http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/anne-lusk/>

From Ann's website: her research has focused on comfortable and safe environments that will motivate women, children, seniors, parents with children on their bicycles, individuals of color, individuals around the world, and lower income individuals to bicycle. ... Her bicycle research involves the associations between policy>environment>bicycling behavior>health outcomes>costs.

Mike will make presentations available to anyone who's interested.

Other presentations included representatives from Saris and their efforts at becoming a Bike Friendly Business, a panel discussion about tourism and cycling, and presentations from both INCOG and ACOG regarding efforts by those groups in Tulsa and Oklahoma City.

Mike indicated that the Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition, OBC, is becoming more active and communicative. Mike indicated that he would share info about OBC's current efforts to get Route 66 designated as a US Bicycle Route and other initiatives.

OBC website: <http://obc1voice.org/>

## 5. Open Streets

Mike Wozniak shared that BPAC would be assisting with bike rental and valet parking along with The Hub and the Tulsa Bicycle Club. Brief mention was made about the idea of "bicycle trains", with folks picking up cyclists along routes into downtown from surrounding areas.

Location is centered around Foolish Things coffee shop on 10<sup>th</sup> west of Boston. A number of street closures will focus around the downtown area, including a "temporary" cycle track in one area and efforts to encourage participation by folks as the get out of church.

Date: Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> ... next major planning meeting is on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Focus is on living, working, and playing downtown with this effort ... and the south side of downtown where there are many parking areas.

Oklahoma City will be hosting their first Open Streets event on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, noon 'til 4pm.

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## 6. Bike Ped Masterplan Status

Effort is GOPlan, a plan for People Powered Movement

Steering Committee meeting, March 3 at INCOG

Walkshops in March and April; essentially "walking" public meetings; several in Tulsa and one in each of the ten participating INCOG communities.

April 8<sup>th</sup> mid-town WalkShop, meets at Tom's Bicycles on 15<sup>th</sup> Street, 5:45pm

Walkshop calendar:

<http://tulsatrc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/WalkshopCalendar.pdf>



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<https://www.facebook.com/tulsaGOplan>

<https://twitter.com/TulsaGOPlan>

<http://tulsatrc.org/goplan/>

Gary Perceful mentioned interest of TPS in being involved with Toole and the planning process for the Bike Ped Masterplan. TPS is preparing a survey to principals that could include questions of interest to the BikePed effort.

## **7. Vision Zero**

An initiative to get traffic fatalities and serious injuries to zero.

DC and Chicago have some version of this, NYC is getting onboard

High level long term goal ... shorter term, BPAC recommendations were to cut by 50% over 5 years.

Stephen indicated that Tulsa had 44 traffic fatalities last year (no bike deaths, 13). Mike is going to check on getting hold of whatever accident reports may be available for review and get them for us to examine as an "education" for us primarily.

City Council is concerned about creating an "unattainable" goal.

Steven Lassiter will email an electronic version of his proposal to the committee for further consideration and ongoing discussion.

Further discussion surrounded "what will be done" in an effort to move toward the goal.

Suggestion to find out what other "vision zero" communities are doing and getting the city's engineering groups onboard before going back to the council.

## **8. New Business**

Brent Stout presented plans underway for rehabbing for MLK & Detroit from I-244 up to Jasper. Requesting BPAC's input relative to bike lanes from south of I-244 up to Jasper.

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