

Minutes of the April 17, 2019 Brice Prairie Bike and Pedestrian Safety Committee
First Responders Building, W7886 Cty. Rd. ZN, Onalaska, WI

Present: Brian Tippetts, Vicki Burke, Fritz Funk, Scott Cooper (6:30 p.m.), Jerry Monti, Paula Przywojski
Absent: Jim Nissen (Excused), Jolene Huiss, Robin Schmidt

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chair Tippetts.

Monti moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Funk. Motion passed unanimously.

Monti moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Przywojski. Minutes approved unanimously.

Chair Tippetts reported on his appearance at the Onalaska Town Board meeting on April 9, 2019. The town board extended the term of the Safety Committee and added Robin Schmidt to the committee membership. Tippetts informed the town board that a report would be coming to the board.

The fifth item on the agenda was moved to a later place to wait for the arrival of Cooper.

The Brice Prairie Bike and Pedestrian Safety Committee has focused on internal connectors for bike and pedestrian use. Tippetts asked if we should include some information on external connectors. It was decided to report briefly on them in the report to the town board.

Chair Tippetts will send a table for completion by board members who were to talk to landowners. The table will allow the committee to see where we are in conversations with landowners.

Robin Schmidt has agreed to help with the assembling of the report. She will work with Huiss who had volunteered to help assemble the report. **Members should bring their completed sections to the board at the May 1, 2019 meeting. Copies of each section should be made for each member of the committee. If members do not have a printer at home they wish to use, they may get copies made at the town hall.**

Cooper arrived at 6:30 p.m. and we took up the topic of "pump tracks." Funk had talked to some young mountain bike riders on Brice Prairie who were interested in having one built on the prairie. A pump track is similar to a skate park but is used to perfect mountain bike riding skills. A short video was shown to educate board members on pump tracks. The video link is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3capheeu4zE> The video shows La Crosse Mayor Tim Kabat cutting the ribbon on the pump track in Leuth Park and kids using the track. Jerry Monti and Paula Przywojski, both town board supervisors and on the Town of Onalaska Park Committee, will take this suggestion to their committee.

The Safety Committee will meet on May 1 and May 29 at 6 p.m. at the First Responders Building.

Monti made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Funk. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Vicki Burke, Recording Secretary