

Ped, Pedal & Paddle Committee Meeting
NIRPC Lake Michigan Room
November 1, 2018 – 1:30 pm

George Topoll called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Cary Kirkham, Dave Shafer, Jan Dick, Mark Gordish, Dean Button, Shannon Eason, Mark Schreiber, Robert Boklund, Walter Lenckos, Don Parker, John Novacich, Chuck Gleason, Brad Enslin, Chris Moore, Dennis Cobb, Veronica Jalomo and Theresa Mince.

NIRPC staff present were Mitch Barloga, Trey Wadsworth and Mary Thorne.

On a motion by Shannon Eason, seconded by Mark Gordish, the October 4, 2018 minutes were approved as presented.

Ped

- South Shore Trails – Don Parker reported they are working on their strategic plan and also with Valpo Pathways.
- Complete Streets – Mitch Barloga said the workshop has been rescheduled to December 7 from 9 am to 4 pm and he encouraged all municipalities to take the workshop which is being hosted along with Active Transportation Alliance and Health by Design. The registration fee is \$30.
- American Discovery Trail – Mitch Barloga said Governor Holcomb has earmarked \$90 million for trails. More information will be forthcoming. Contact Mitch Barloga with any questions.

Pedal

Mitch Barloga reminded the Committee that the Greenways+Blueways Maps are available.

Paddle

There was no report.

Programmatic Approach and Scoring - Mitch Barloga led the examination of the final project type and criteria scoring. Criteria were examined for Complete Streets. A walk on policy should be in place in order to get the points. It will be in a preamble. Points were changed under Economic Generation, Park Plan was added under Local Plan and Policy Support, and percentages were revised under Project Readiness and Social Equity. Under Environmental Benefits, Mitch Barloga said he will research percentages of students dropped off by auto to see if it is lower than 80%. A no vote won out for including ADT and roadway classification as individual point values. Under Social Equity, a majority voted to leave the senior or disabled centers criteria in.

Criteria were examined for Multi-Use Trail Program. Points under Environmental Benefits connections to conservation corridors was increased to 5; planned adherence to naturalized corridors was deleted. Parks and TOD was added under project documentation. "Adheres to goals and objectives" was removed and 5 points was added to visionary under "priority trails adherence." Partnerships "including funding" was added; One partnership was changed to "other partnerships including funding". Under Social Equity, the percentage was changed from <49% to <50%. Mitch Barloga will send out the revised scoring and comments will be accepted until the scoring goes before the TPC meeting. The NOFA will be out in late November. Project submissions are due in January.

Project Updates/Announcements

The Chessie in LaPorte is finished. Right of way is being finished on the Pennsy.

As agreed to by the members present, the next Ped, Pedal & Paddle Committee meeting will be held at 1:30 pm on December 6, 2018.

Hearing no other business, George Topoll adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.