

Jacksonville Bicycle Advisory Committee  
September 21, 2010  
Jacksonville Community Center

In attendance; Mark Jones, Mayor Smith, Henry Campeaux, Jack Plunk, Mike Poe, Scott Edmiston, George Areno

Chairman Campeaux called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Henry asked about the status of the 'Share the Road' signs and Mike mentioned that Mr. Abbott had been at the limit of this years funding and wished to do something in the beginning of the new fiscal year. Mr. Abbott had also mentioned that Commissioner Downing may also be able to assist.

Jack said we had asked for Mr. Abbot to fund 10 StR sign sets at ± \$70 each as a Phase 1 of StR signs for J'ville. The committee discussed exactly where these first 10 should be placed and decided on 4 for Mt. St. (2E &2W), 2 on Forney, 2 on Church and Mike and Scott suggested White's Gap Rd so...2 for Whites Gap Rd. for Phase 1.

Next Henry wanted to follow up on the 'Sharrow' pavement markings. Jack passed around info on the Sharrow and agreed that their were some streets where it would be appropriate, like Church St. or others where the street was too narrow for bike lanes. He suggested that we should explore getting our own stencil (or thermo plastic) for the City to apply where its appropriate. Mike suggested that Custom Exhibits could cut one out of metal that may be more permanent. Jack was going to research a little more for the dimensions of the Sharrow symbol.

Henry then called attention to the new custom 'bike' shaped bicycle racks that have arrived. JSU, the City and NEABC helped to pay for these and we have two for the Square and 1 for the Library. Mr. Jones asked about how they would work and the committee briefly discussed how they would be used without interfering with pedestrian activity or flow on the sidewalk. Mayor Smith mentioned that we could probably get them installed next week and asked if the Committee would be present at that time. Jack committed to assist with this if the Mayor would give him a call.

Mike had a couple of questions about the rubber coating and wanted to talk with supplier DERO before they are installed.

Mayor Smith reminded everyone about the Open House this Sunday for the newly renovated historic Depot from 2-4 pm. He mentioned that the Chief had been resurfaced past the Depot and it looked pretty smooth. He also mentioned that he was concerned about the 3 inch drop off at the edge of the Trail and had

thought the guidelines for this were about ¼ inch. Jack said that he thought that was the ADA regulations for the change in elevation along the trail like from the surfaced of the trail to the bridge decking but not aware of the standard for the trail edge. Mayor Smith said he would review the PE or specs for this to check.

Next there was discussion regarding a parking rack at the Depot for Sunday and it seems as if that there is one at the Francis Street access that the City could move to the Depot for Sunday. Mayor Smith said he would mention this to the City staff preparing for Sunday.

Henry mentioned the CLT/AL 204 crossing issue and Jack mentioned that in discussions with the Mayor it seems the City is willing to do a TE project there to remove the 4 parking spaces and create a better, safer, clearer crossing. He mentioned that an agreeable process may be to permit the City to do the re-configuration project and then JSU would purchase and install the crossing lights for about \$15,000. That way JSU would not have to deal with the ALDoT and the City has a good track record with TE grants and knows how to complete one successfully. Jack also mentioned he has not heard back from Mr. Lord or Mr. Thompson on this and suggested that he just call Dr. Meehan and see if this would be acceptable to JSU.

Mr. Areno suggested that the new maps of the Chief be updated to include/add the Depot, the Eubanks Center, the Henry Farm Mt. Bike Trails and the proposed Greenway connection. Jack mentioned that he would do this for the new editions.

Henry asked about the **stencil directions to/from the Henry Farm Trails** and Jack said we have been cleared to do this. He needed to purchase the proper paint and suggested that the Committee meet at the **JHS on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30** am to do this project which will probably take 2 hours. The Committee agreed to try to complete the stencil directions to/from the Chief and the Henry Farm Mt. bike trails on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mark suggested that he would ask Mr. Garner at JSU to do a press release previous to the Grand Opening of the mt. bike trails on Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>.

Henry suggested that the next meeting of the J'ville Bicycle Advisory Committee will be October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Adjourn.