



MEETING MINUTES

DESCHUTES COUNTY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 6, 12:00 to 1:30 pm

Redmond City Hall

Members Present: Jennifer Letz, David Green, Diane Flowers, Matt Muchna, Bob Nash, Wendy Holzman, Neil Baunsgard, David Roth, Anthony Accinelli

Agency/Organization: Tanya Saltzman (Deschutes County), Scott Ferguson (Redmond BPAC), Shaun Larson (Redmond BPAC), Fred Bray (Redmond BPAC), Cathy Drzyzgula (Redmond BPAC), Kate Moser (Redmond BPAC), Tom Edgerton (Redmond BPAC), Kim Curley (Curley Consulting), Aoibhe Richardson (Commute Options), Chris Cheng (ODOT), Chris Blake (City of Bend)

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 12:12 p.m.

Introductions

Attendees of the meeting introduced themselves and, if applicable, identified the organization they represent.

Public comment

none

Approval of Prior Minutes

The February 2025 minutes were approved.

Committee Business

- At Large position update – Opened a recruitment for one vacancy; received 4 applications. Interviews to be scheduled. In addition, Mason Lacy has submitted his resignation due to time constraints. Will be able to pull from the existing pool to fill the two positions.
- TSAP Safety Working Group: Neil will volunteer. TS to follow up with the County.
- Safe Sidewalks – many applications incoming still! Deadline is March 20.

City of Redmond BPAC Presentation (Bob Nash and Shaun Larson)

- Sarah Vowell presented Redmond BPAC's recent efforts:
- 2025 workplan; some projects are continuations, some are new
- Summarized recent projects: infrastructure
- Upcoming projects: Eastside arterial, including two roundabouts; Redmond Wetlands Complex with 7.9 miles of trails (asphalt and gravel); Phase 2 of Wickiup; Cedar & Birch water line and four blocks of sidewalk improvements; South Canyon Drive sidewalk additions; 17th Street 10-lot subdivision road with sidewalks and bike lanes; Central Dry Canyon realignment of parking; Safe Routes to School crossings; potential new signal at 35th and Rt 126; several roundabouts
- Ongoing: Ridgeview Trail; Quiet Streets (sharrows, signage, bike boxes at intersections; Parks Master Plan; bike map (working on pedestrian layer); National Night Out; Bicycle and Pedestrian counts; Dry Canyon-specific count with Parks Dept.
- Council support: Mayor supports sidewalk infill in particular

2025 BPAC Summit planning (David Green and others) – April 10 (switched to before Redmond update)

- Update on location, time, funding: David G summarized the current agenda. Walking tour will show off City of Bend equipment. Old Mill district will discuss the Deschutes River Trail that goes through Old Mill property.
- Planning goals and speaker updates
- Looking for volunteers for setup/breakdown/get coffee etc. Setup will begin at 8:30.

Working group updates

- Outreach: plan to do outreach for the summit
- Community connections: n/a
- Transit: n/a
- Agency project input: n/a
- Big Chainring: Self-Propelled Award (tentative name)

External Committee Reports

COACT

- Safety program: halfway through one-year funding. Discussion re: ODOT funding issues
- Future scoping for ODOT projects
- Small City Allotment: grant funding available for paving projects

MPO TAC

Discussed allotment of state highway funds (2027-2029). Will ultimately be a recommendation to the Policy Committee.

Lava Butte

ODOT submitted its most recent document to the County

Other Updates

La Pine

- In the middle of Comprehensive Plan update, which includes connected pathways.

Sunriver

- Starting Monday, one of the main roads will be closed to create a new tunnel. Deadline is hopefully June 15.
- Developed a pathway safety task force; request for volunteers yielded 50 people for 14 slots. Have held 3 meetings so far, will make recommendations mid-summer.

Bend

- Lots of plan review: ped-bike path on 15th Street; roundabout at Boyd Acres and Butler Market; picking up rock
- In budget season: potential to pull general fund money

Sisters

- McKenzie Pass discussions continue. Consider if someone else could take it over since it is not necessarily a transportation connection

Deschutes County

- The Road Department is soliciting a BPAC member for TSAP Safety Working Group.

ODOT

- Working on Route 126 roundabout, looking to add funding.
- Redmond received Safe Routes to School grant; ODOT received two.
- Building multi-use path along 97 to Desert Terrace Mobile Estates
- Put in for OR 126-35th St signal
- Bend-Sisters-Redmond planning may be near end of DOJ review

Commute Options

- Aoibhe introduced herself as the new Commute Options BPAC participant
- Upcoming commute Solutions summit on March 14 in Beaverton to help employee commute support programs
- Vanpool subsidy will begin soon
- May Walk and Roll Challenge will occur from May 5-16. More details to come.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:47 pm

Next Meeting

Thursday, April 3 – 12:00 to 1:30 pm – ODOT, 63055 N Hwy 97, Building M, Baney Conference Room, Bend