



## Minutes

Prepared by Howard Crofoot, 12/13/21

CSRC Attendees: Cindy Tang, Maureen Vorwald, Robin Fatzinger (6:04), Danica Larson, Eileen McCartney, Jason Artz

Staff Attendees: Howard Crofoot, Adam Ruechel

1. Call to Order at 6:00 pm by Cindy Tang
2. Approval of Minutes: October 18 meeting: Motion to approve as written by Jason, second by Danica. Vote passed unanimously.
3. Citizen Comments, Observations, & Petitions:
  - a. Trees: Danica commented about the current program regarding replacement of trees during a street construction project. The current process is that a homeowner whose trees are removed as a result of a street construction project has the ability to receive reimbursement up to \$500 per tree. Danica thought that it might be more trouble for the homeowner and the City should consider proactively installing trees.
  - b. There was discussion regarding overhead lighting at Golfview Drive and Highway 80. Howard explained that this intersection is not the City's jurisdiction. The Township would have to work with the State to get permission to install a street light there.
  - c. There was concern regarding the visibility of highway striping on Business 151 between Chestnut St and the bridge. This is Township jurisdiction and would need to be recommended to them.
4. New Business:
  - a. Main Street Crosswalks and Intersection Concerns: There was an email regarding a person who was in the east crosswalk of Main Street at Fourth Street near Badger Bros who was struck by a car. Fortunately, there was no injury. At the time of the meeting, the police report was not available. There was a belief by a committee member that a child on a bike was struck by a car near the Dog Park. Consensus was to ask Staff to collect information from the PD regarding Bike and Pedestrian accidents for review.

5. Old Business

- a. Sidewalk Plan/Map – Based on feedback from the Plan Commission, the CSRC reviewed the final document with the corrections incorporated. Motion by Robin, Second by Jason to approve the changes and recommend that this map be approved by the Common Council.
- b. Grant Updates - Howard discussed the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant. The grant submissions are due by January 28, 2022. The minimum project cost is \$300,000. There are different categories including Safe Routes to Schools, but the focus has to be on transportation, not recreation. The following are the three proposed projects.
  - i. **JN Stone to Fairfield Drive:** Paving and possibly lighting the existing gravel path from the Rountree Branch Trail by the bridge behind JN Stone to Mitchell Hollow Road, continuing behind Moundview Park to Broadway, then up the easement west of Faherty's where it connects to the dead end of Fairfield Drive. This would provide an alternate Safe Route for the High School. Motion to endorse this project as the top priority under the Safe Routes category by Maureen, Second by Jason. Motion passed unanimously.
  - ii. **Dog Park to Downtown:** Paving and possibly lighting the old railroad bed from the Dog Park on Valley Road to E. Main Street by the Skate Park. This would connect the David Canny Rountree Branch Trail to the sidewalks and streets on Main Street just east of the Museums and Downtown businesses. Motion to endorse this project as the top priority under the General category by Jason, Second by Maureen. Motion passed unanimously.
  - iii. **NAPA to Eastside Road:** Paving the old railroad bed from the back parking area behind NAPA, get up the slope to the old railroad bed and follow it east until it connects with the trail on Eastside Road near Evergreen Road. This would provide alternative transportation to the Industry Park and Hospital. Consensus was that this would be the third priority due to the lack of easements.

Discussion also considered comments from Alderperson Shanley that these trails are also snowmobile trails. The TAP grant is different from the DNR grants used for the PCA trail in that TAP allows use by snowmobiles. Consensus was to invite members of the snowmobile club to discuss impacts and mitigation efforts.



**COMMUNITY SAFE ROUTES COMMITTEE**  
**Monday November 15, 2021 6:00 PM**  
**MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON**

6. Adjourn at 6:42 pm, motion by Jason, second by Eileen. Motion passed unanimously.