

**MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE**

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Monday, February 14, 2011, 5:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance:

Joan Moore, Chairperson
Edward Vossen
John-Mark Palacios
Robert Taylor
Rick Yost
Officer Dan Pantel
Ken Natoli
Cheryl Lenartiene

Excused Members

Dee Spera

Staff in Attendance:

Michael Malham, Planner II
Margaret H. Brassard, Administrative Specialist II

Others in Attendance:

Harvey Finegold.

Ms. Joan Moore announced that Gordon & Doner, P. A. will be sponsoring the Build-A-Bike event in June. The Sponsor has not indicated if they want to help build the bikes or present them to the children yet. They will let us know at a later date.

Mr. Michael Malham, from the BPAC Staff welcomed Mr. Harvey Finegold, a guest of Commissioner Fielding's, to the subcommittee meeting.

There was discussion about a recent bicyclist death in the Jensen Beach area, Gary Zimmer.

Goals and Objectives were discussed and methods to acquire information when FDOT is planning roads so BPAC should check out the Community Redevelopment Area (CRA). Any resurfacing, restriping and new projects should be reviewed by BPAC, and tests should be run, before a lot of funds are spent. It was suggested that Michael get on the list to receive the finalized plans.

Before next month's regular meeting the BPAC should send a thank you letter to Engineering/or the commissioner who got the audible traffic signal installed. (location and person unknown)

The BPAC members need to look into possibilities to get pedestrian and bicycling information on the television, radio and in newspaper ads in order to promote bicycle safety and possibly discuss the recent bicycle accidents and deaths

Mr. Malham presented the committee with a flow chart to consider. It provided methods and sequence to identifying, developing and implementing items like Goals and Objectives, Bicycle and Pedestrian plans, and public awareness meetings. Discussion ensued.

It was suggested to ask a local bicycle club, to start sending emails identifying the deficiencies. Ms. Moore said that she could keep the file of the emails. She will email John Goings with the proposal asking riders to email her with the deficiencies.

The primary goal for Martin County is to have proper bicycle and pedestrian facilities throughout the entire county. To determine how to get implementation of the steps to obtain this goal is the next goal.

What the committee expects of Michael Malham at the next meeting:

Combine the goals. Ask people to bring their map of where they want to go and mark up the maps at the next two subcommittee meetings.

Send out an email asking people to start doing their homework on making routes on these maps.

Chairman Moore adjourned the meeting