May 13, 2020 | SLCBAC Meeting Minutes

Present: Alex Degnan, Alex Parker (Treasurer), Blair Tomten (Chair), Dixie Harris, Travis Evans, Ja’rell Watts

Absent: Jill Jensen,

Excused: Mike Mikhalev

Others: Jared Stewart (SL County Staff), Dave Iltis (Cycling Utah), Kevin Dwyer (SL Valley Trails Society), Mercedes Maestas (SL County Health Department), Hugh Van Wagenen (Wasatch Front Regional Council), Myron Wilson, David Bassett, 3 unidentified call-in users

5:35 pm Welcome and Introductions

5:36 pm Public Comment

- Dave Iltis (Cycling Utah):
  - In Draper, the Bangerter Parkway, shoulder was removed and is lacking in space for cyclists.
  - Foothill Blvd in Salt Lake City will be repaved with no additional accommodations for cyclists.
  - 1300 East in Salt Lake City, existing bike lanes are narrow and new construction will be happening north of 1700 E. SLCBAC could communicate with SLC and UDOT to advocate for wider bike lanes on 1300 E.
  - Salt Lake City has been adding pedestrian and bicycle friendly streets.
  - 300 North in Salt Lake City a new bridge is being added and is unfortunately only a Pedestrian friendly bridge, not great for bikes
  - Green Lanes in Salt Lake City on Main Street and South Temple will be repainted (this is in the new Salt Lake City budget).

- Kevin Dwyer (Salt Lake Valley Trails Society)
  - Commented on US Representative Curtis’s Bonneville Shoreline Advancement Act, presented a brief description of the act, and shared concerns that the act does not benefit Salt Lake County.
  - Expressed appreciation for the committees

- Jared Stewart (on behalf of Donna McAleer from the Salt Lake Bicycle Collective)
  - The Salt Lake Bicycle Collective was successful in applying and receiving COVID-19 related emergency funds and has enhanced online options on their website

5:50 pm Approval of minutes

- April meeting minutes were approved unanimously (motion by Alex Parker and seconded by Dixie).

6:00 pm Ranked Cycling City Competition – David Bassett

- Explained a recent bicycle ranking competition that he read about in the Netherlands.
• Explanation and discussion of what data sets or factors could be used if a competition between cities was held in Salt Lake County.
• The initiative could be used to extend the reach of SLCBAC through surveys and public engagement.
• Jared to share information with David on the process for joining SLCBAC as well as the County Council district boundaries.

6:00 pm Updates to Action Items

• Filmed by Bike Film Festival (Alex Parker and Travis Evans)
  o Discussion on if and when the event should be rescheduled (no decision made)
  o Travis Evans will look at drive in theaters and if a bicycle themed movie could be screened.
  o Alex Parker shared that some films are available for purchase and viewing on the Filmed by Bike website.
• Bobsled and Repair station photos
  o Jared shared photos of the installed Bicycle Repair station and the signs on the Bobsled Mountain bike trail

6:15 pm Future Initiatives Discussion

• Murray bike park
  o Kevin shared information regarding Germania park in Murray for which planning occurred several years back for a bike park. The city of Murray recently removed some user created trails that cyclists had been using for some time
  o Kevin urged SLCBAC to write a letter of support to Murray in favor of a bike park

6:25 pm County Report and June Agenda Items

• 8th Annual SLUG Alleycat scavenger hunt ride will be held on June 27th
• Pedestrian Summit and the Utah Bike Summit have been rescheduled
• National Bike month is still May, but national bike to work week has been rescheduled to September.
• No items added for the June agenda

6:30 pm Meeting Adjourned