

**City of Franklin**  
**Franklin Trails Committee Meeting**  
**September 8, 2011**  
**Minutes**

Approved  
October 6, 2011

**CALL TO ORDER**

- I. The meeting of the Franklin Trails Committee was held on September 8, 2011 and called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chairman Fowler in the Franklin City Hall Hearing Room, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present were Alderman Wilhelm and Solomon; and Members Bolton, Haley (arrived at 6:04 p.m.), Michlig, and Kowalski. Also present was Senior Planner Fuchs.

**MINUTES**

August 11, 2011

**II.**

- A. Member Michlig moved and Member Bolton seconded approval of the minutes of the meeting of August 11, 2011 as presented. On voice vote all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD**

- III. Citizen comment period opened at 6:02 p.m. and closed at 6:02 p.m.

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**Potential grants and funding sources available for the design, land acquisition, and construction of a walking and/or bicycle path specific to South 51st Street, and a connector between Pleasant View School and South 51st Street**

**IV.**

- A. Chairman Fowler informed the Franklin Trails Committee of the status of the Safe Routes to School Plan presented to Common Council.

Trails Members discussed changes to the Acknowledgements page in the Safe Routes to School Plan for Pleasant View Elementary and directed staff to list all City of Franklin elected officials and current Board of Education members of Franklin Public Schools. Members also discussed revisions to the titles for maps found within Appendix G, H, and I to be made by staff.

On general consensus, the Trails Committee will request that the Pleasant View Elementary Safe Routes to School Plan be adopted as a stand-alone plan and encourage that it later be incorporated into the Comprehensive Master Plan.

Member Michlig presented the Call for Applications for the Spring 2012 Safe Routes to School Mini-grants. Trails members discussed using the grant to initiate a pedestrian flag crossing program. On general consensus four locations for pedestrian flags were determined (S. 76<sup>th</sup> Street and W. Brunn Drive, S. 51<sup>st</sup> Street and W. Drexel Avenue, S. 51<sup>st</sup> Street and W. Rawson Avenue, and W. Drexel Avenue and the Oak Leaf Trail).

Chairman Fowler directed staff to prepare a Council Action Sheet to request permission to apply for the 2012 Safe Routes to School Mini-grant.

No further action was needed on potential grants and funding sources available for the design, land acquisition, and construction of a walking and/or bicycle path specific to South 51st Street, and a connector between Pleasant View School and South 51st Street.

**Formation of a funding research subcommittee of the Franklin Trails Committee**

- B. On general consensus the item to consider the formation of a funding research subcommittee of the Franklin Trails Committee was tabled to the next scheduled meeting of the Franklin Trails Committee.

**Review of Chairman's draft memorandum to the Common Council regarding proposed options for the future of the Franklin Trails Committee**

- C. On general consensus the review of the Chairman's draft memorandum to the Common Council regarding proposed options for the future of the Franklin Trails Committee was tabled to the next scheduled meeting of the Franklin Trails Committee.

**Board of Public Works referral of bike lane and pedestrian safety improvements along W. Drexel Avenue and the presentation from Ben Franklin students for bike lane and pedestrian safety improvements along W. Drexel Avenue to Trails Committee for grant funding consideration**

- D. No action was needed on the Board of Public Works referral of bike lane and pedestrian safety improvements along West Drexel Avenue and the presentation from Ben Franklin students for bike lane and pedestrian safety improvements along West Drexel Avenue to the Trails Committee for grant funding consideration.

Member Kowalski recommended adding the intersection of W. Drexel Avenue and S. Forest Meadows Drive to the application request for the Spring 2012 Safe Routes to School Mini-grant discussed under Item IV.A. No objections were made.

**SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING**

- V. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Franklin Trails Committee will be October 6, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- VI. Member Bolton moved to adjourn the Franklin Trails Committee meeting at 7:01 p.m. Seconded by Member Michlig. All voted 'aye', motion carried.