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## Newport Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee

**Members Present:** Ken Dennis, Bob Hein, Dave Teem, Elliott Crowder, Chuck Forinash, Lisa Kern

**Staff:** Tim Gross, Lon Brusselback

**Guests:**

Meeting called to order at 5:40PM and the minutes from the November meeting were read and accepted as written.

**Staff Report:** Tim reports that ODOT should be looking at adopting the 2009 MUTCD on December 21<sup>st</sup>.

No new report on the installation of the fence at the Yaquina Bay US Coast Guard station.

Ted Jones out of Portland has been hired as the new Public Works Senior Project Manager

Lon reported that the Bay Front boardwalk is deteriorating and that the City doesn't have repairs or maintenance of sidewalks and trails on any of the current schedules.

**Old Business:** Chuck reports that there is a Wayfinding Committee that is working on updating maps and that Bike Parking and other additions be included before printing new maps. A suggestion was made that the Newport Bike Route Maps be updated and an inventory make of old maps currently available for distribution. It was also suggested that the "tear off" Newport Chamber maps be updated.

Bike racks and lockers were discussed and the need for "covered" racks or bike lockers is needed to protect bikes and belongings. The bike racks at the library should be moved under cover of the "patio" area. Ken will research commercially available bike lockers.

**New Business:** There are Urban Renewal funds available for bike/ped improvements in South Beach and the committee likes the idea of improvements from 32<sup>nd</sup> St. to Ash St. to compliment other multi-use trails that have been built in South Beach.

Chuck made a motion that the Bike/Ped Committee should be involved with any decisions about sidewalks and trails in and near where a new OMSI learning facility is being planned in South Beach. Elliott seconded and the committee unanimously approved the motion.

Bob Hein would like to find out when the next grant cycles are to re-apply for funding to improve Coast St./ Oceanview Dr.

Ken asked Tim if he was aware of any grant applications to build a multi-use trail that would connect Yaquina Head with Oceanview Drive at Agate Beach. Mayor McConnell had mentioned that this trail concept was being looked at again. Tim was unaware of any grants or work on this project.

A new time and place for committee meetings was agreed upon: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month in Public Works Conference Room B at 5:30 PM.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7 PM - Next Meeting:** January 9, 2012 at 5:30 PM in Conference Rm. B in City Hall.

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