

NKTA Trail Plan Committee Minutes 11/16/09 Adopted (12/14/09)

Poulsbo City Hall 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Present: Tom Curley, Steve Bauer, Linda Berry-Maraist, Andrew MacMillan, Lynn Schorn, John Willett, Don Willott, John Hawkins, Dave Haley, Carolina Veenstra, Patsy Bryan, Dennis Oost, Joan Lukasik, Linda Marcuse, Becky Erickson.

Housekeeping/scheduling:

- Adopted 10/19/09 minutes.
- News of interest: Linda shared that Poulsbo was not successful obtaining non-motorized/park&ride grant applications but County-wide application is still in. KRCC Trail Plan will meet one more time & present to TransPol group 12/10. John Willett shared the Lemolo area kayak landing site still in works, meeting with Jefferson/Clallam bike groups discussed concept of "Sound to Coast Greenway" to unite 3 counties. White Horse property transferred to American Marine Bank who has given permission to access trail with gravel. (Discussion with Dennis Oost that asphalt trail is built for light trucks - 2" asphalt + 4" gravel base- don't want to damage trail with trucks. Need to check w/ PW staff. Don W. shared info from Pierce Co. Trail meeting, conversations with Mtn. to Sound Greenway people also discussed 305 corridor meeting and D.O.T. R. O. W. challenges.
- Upcoming Trail Plan meetings 12/14 Kingston. 1/4/10 (rescheduled for MLK), 2/1/10 (rescheduled for Pres. Day), March 15, April 19, May 17.

Committee Work

Writing Committee

- Reviewed Carolina's draft Kingston community description as a prototype, other communities' will be 1-3 pages w/ couple of pictures but follow boiler plate format. Different individuals will write but all will go to Joan to edit/ make work together. We are hoping the Tribes can write the precursor, on history, original land and water trails. Tom will follow up with Suquamish tribe on that idea.
- Title should be integrated with logo. Several variations of NKTA logos floating around. Need to decide on one; will review and bring back at Dec. meeting integrated with title:

North Kitsap

String of Pearls Trails

North Kitsap Trail Association

- Website: Andrew broke his leg badly, surgery last week. Need group to tackle content of website. Website is critical to Jan. outreach, writing committee will delay work on "Plan", focus on website content getting it ready for Andrew, when he is better.

Outreach Committee

- Survey discussion. Group to meet next week and get draft to Cris.
- Discussion purpose/format/expectation for initial community outreach meetings.

-All presentations to include informative presentation, website survey (online access there?), 1 page brochure. Some (Rotary etc.) may have brief question/answer period but community meetings should have more opportunity for community interaction/discussion: 1) Sharing their vision of what trail plan should/could be with each other and us (NKREC model w/ stickies), 2) opportunity to “draw” on maps, ie provide base map focusing on their community with existing trails/resources and asking them what they would like to see. Maps should show existing trails w/ “fuzzy” ends or pearls-let community show us how they would like them to connect.

- Will need to develop community meeting schedule, publish meetings in newspapers, use big email list, NKSD emails etc.
- Website content to writing committee, Outreach to focus on survey and 1 page brochure (w/ pearl map)

Bike Facilities Presentation

- Shortened to discussion on slide showing graphed relationship of traffic speeds/volumes to necessity of increasing separation of bikes from cars.

Mapping Committee

- Pearl Map; decision to shrink size of “pearls” in connector routes and brighten those colors, show BI pearl in Winslow, show water trails Pearls around Bainbridge, show graphic arrows to Seattle, Edmonds, Jefferson Co. and Silverdale.
- Reviewed graphic map w/ topo; reaction that simplified info really highlights topo which is good. Discussion on showing some more roads.
- Complexity of road bike routes needs more thought, if only show true bike lanes will be showing almost nothing. Majority of group thinks Big Valley is pretty good; low traffic, moderate speeds and some shoulder but certainly doesn’t meet bike standard. How do we indicate different quality of bike facilities and where is line between ideal and what isn’t perfect but would still be great progress. Needs more discussion.
- Focus now on readiness for mid January outreach push.

Next Steps

- Subcommittees all to focus on readiness for Public outreach process, bring to December meeting drafts of each piece for community Outreach after New Year. Meetings: Mapping 11/23/09 4 p.m. @ Suquamish Tribe Natural Resources, Outreach for survey discussion 11/23/09 @ Linda’s house 7:15 p.m., Writing for website discussion Monday 11/30 6 p.m. @ Voodiez in Poulsbo, Outreach Tues 12/8 7:30 p.m. for 1 page brochure.
- Trail Plan meetings; Carolina to try to schedule March meeting in Kingston, Dave and Tom to check into availability of Suquamish or Indianola facility for January, Feb, April or May, Poulsbo can try to schedule what is left.
- Need to schedule meeting with County to discuss process for goal of County adoption.
- Linda B to draft executive summary as will help with website and 1 pg. brochure.

Subcommittee Discussions

- Mapping and Outreach had brief discussions for preparation for next week’s meetings.