

**CALISTOGA BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

JULY 27, 2007, 3:00 P.M.

CITY HALL, 1232 WASHINGTON STREET, CALISTOGA, CA

Committee Members: Michael Costanzo, Dieter Deiss and Christine Stoner

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Michael Costanzo, committee member; Dieter Deiss, committee member; Christine Stoner, committee member; Gary Kraus, City Councilmember

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by **Michael Costanzo**, seconded by **Dieter Deiss** to adopt the agenda

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. No Minutes Available for Adoption

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Status of Funding/Grant Requests

Erik Lundquist updated the group on various federal and state funding sources. **Dieter Deiss** suggested that a committee member should assist staff with researching available grant opportunities. **Christine Stoner** agreed and volunteered to investigate funding sources over the internet.

B. Washington Street Bike Path Maintenance Issues

Michael Costanzo thanked City Staff for cleaning debris off of the path, cutting the oleander bushes back. He further stated that continued maintenance of the pathway is essential to making this a safe place for bicycling and creating a place that tourist will want to revisit.

C. County Sponsored Event on Oat Hill Mine Road

Michael Castanzo informed the committee of an upcoming event at the Oat Hill Mine Trail. He noted that the event is being sponsored in part by the newly created Napa County Open Space District. He said volunteers will be cleaning up and repairing portions of the trail from Calistoga to Atnea Springs. Although, the event may be delayed due to pending litigation. He said he would continue to update the group.

D. Quick Fixes and Prioritization of Small Projects

Michael Castanzo, congratulated the group on the City Council's adoption of the 2007 Bicycle Transportation Plan on July 3. He stated that the plan was the first step in making bicycling a predominate feature in Calistoga. He stated that the second step needs to be immediate implementation. He noted several projects that could be done in the near term that would further the Bike Plan. These projects included,

1. Add 2 or 3 benches to Washington Street Bike Path
2. Add Picnic table w/ shade cover, trash receptacle and welcome sign to Washington Street Bike Path @ Dunaweal
3. Clean up Corp Yard and add screening to fence
4. Add Share the Road signs on Class II and III lanes
5. Check placement of bike racks and identified deficiencies
6. Prepare and print bicycle "loop" maps for distribution

Dieter Deiss agreed and stated that the community should participate in these projects. The Boys and Girls Club, Rotary, Solage, Calistoga Vitality Group, etc. should help fund and/or develop these projects in partnership with the City. A motion was made by **Dieter Deiss** to encourage Staff to develop the suggested projects. **Michael Castanzo** seconded the motion. **Committee** agreed.

5. OLD BUSINESS

No items discussed.

6. ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Dieter Deiss informed the committee that the NCTPA had distributed an RFP for preparing a countywide feasibility study. The Feasibility Study will develop strategies for the development of a Class I pathway from Calistoga to American Canyon. The project was being funded by the County and the Cities within the County, including Calistoga. Calistoga would be reimbursed through TDA-3 grants.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting lasted 1 hour and adjourned at 4:00 pm.