

St. Cloud Area Planning Organization Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee 2nd Organizational Meeting

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JULY 31st 2007**

A second Organizational meeting of the St. Cloud Area Planning Organization was held Wednesday, July 31st, 2007 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the St. Cloud City Hall Council Chambers. The following individuals presented.

Ms. Mary O'Brien, St. Cloud Area Planning Organization
Mr. Arvid Fristad, President of the St. Cloud River Runners
Mr. Kurt Franke, Minnesota State Bicycle Advisory Committee

Summary of Questionnaires at Meeting:

22 Questionnaires were submitted at the meeting

- What is your Favorite place in the area to bike/walk/jog/run?
There were 3 places that got multiple hits:
 1. Wobegon Trail was the most popular choice
 2. Beaver Island Trail was the second most popular choice
 3. 'My neighborhood'Trails and County Roads were also popular answers
- Where do you bike/walk/run the most?
County Roads, neighborhoods, park areas and North St. Cloud were the most popular answers
- Rate the top 3 qualities, in order of importance to you, when choosing a bicycle/pedestrian facility
 1. Top answer: Safety
 2. Second most popular answer (missed by one point): Scenery
 3. Third most popular answers (tied): type of facility, direct route, and shade
- Rate the top 3 qualities, in order of importance to you, when choosing your final destination
 1. Top answer (tied): bike parking and public bathroom
 2. Second most popular answer: servers beverages or has a drinking fountain
 3. Third most popular answer: well lit area for bike parking

Feedback in Response to Meeting:

- Membership: will the membership include appointed representatives from the governmental agencies or will they be Ex-Officio Members?
- Do you think the term limits should change to 2 or 3 year terms? If you go to longer term limits you could have offsetting terms with the exception of the first year. If the term limits change the member could serve two or three consecutive terms.
- I spoke with the Engineering Department today regarding last night's question about a bike path on 9th Ave. No.

Bob Jopp told me there will be a 10 foot wide bituminous path on the east side of 9th Ave. No. from the intersection at Northway Dr. to the new Sauk Rapids bridge. There will be a 5 foot wide sidewalk on the west side of 9th Ave. No. to separate bikers and walkers

- I would like a sidewalk on County Road 134, from County Road 134 to Highway 15.
- How does bicycle registration work? Where does that money go towards?
- Wearing headphones should be illegal for bicyclists