

Minutes for Kitsap County Non-Motorized Facilities Community Advisory Committee Meeting

May 21, 2024

Members present:

Laura Westervelt (Chair)
Nathan Menefee (Vice-Chair)
Jess Chandler
Rick Feeney
Janet Kidd
Brian Watson
Deborah Weinmann

Members absent:

Jana Waldroup
Scott Satter

Public Works staff present: Melissa Mohr, David Forte

Guests:

John Willett, Mark Libby

Meeting called to order at 5:31 PM.

Public Comment:

John Willett thanked the committee and Public Works staff for supporting and completing the NSTO Trail Study. Furthermore, he emphasized his support for all non-motorized projects county-wide.

Approval of Minutes:

Jess Chandler moved to approve the March 19, 2024 and April 16, 2024 minutes. Nate Menefee seconded.
Motion Passed.

North Sound to Olympics (NSTO) Update/Letter

Debbie Weinmann entertained questions regarding the final NSTO Working Group Meeting Summary sent out with the May meeting agenda. Next, the DRAFT letter of support for the NSTO project addressed to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) was reviewed and discussed.

Jess Chandler moved for the NSTO letter with one change be sent to the BOCC. Brian Watson seconded.
Motion passed.

Non-Motorized Plan – Review Existing

The committee had a discussion about the existing Kitsap County Non-Motorized Facilities Plan beginning with general comments and impressions. Some additional topics covered regarding the future Non-Motorized Plan update included whether to include the following: extensive history, measures and metrics for progress on goals, updated road standards, health and climate benefits, and cost/benefit analyses with consideration of factors outside of current TIP scoring. Also, committee members considered the need to reduce and/or revise the existing goals.

Committee members were asked to take notes, organize their thoughts, and send a personal summary to the committee chair by May 31. The information will be used to provide an outline for the on-going discussion at the July meeting.

Member & Staff Updates:

Rick Feeney reported on Thursday, June 6, from 5-6:30 PM a discussion regarding bike lanes on 6th Street will occur at the Bremerton High School Career Center.

Jess Chandler informed the group about Kitsap Transit's new routes starting on June 23 with the opening of the new Silverdale Kitsap Transit Center.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.