

KANE/KENDALL COUNCIL OF MAYORS

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The Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee Of the Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors

April 26, 2007
Minutes

In attendance:

Monica Meyers	Executive Director	Kane County Forest Preserve
Tom Rickert	Council Director	Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors
Erin Willrett	Reg. Planning Liaison	Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors
Holly Smith	Reg. Planning Liaison	Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors
Michele Springer	Planner	Kane County Forest Preserve
Jerry Culp	Planner	Kane County Forest Preserve
Jim Reuter	Director of Parks and Recreation	Village of South Elgin
David Peterson	Trail User	
John Ford	Trail User	
Angela Zubb	Village Planner	Village of Oswego
Dave Johnson	Assistant Superintendent	St. Charles Park District
Kristy Stone	Planner	Village of Bartlett
Wes Kornowske	Management Analyst	Village of North Aurora
Geoff Payton	Streets Supervisor	Village of Sugar Grove
John Clayton	Superintendent of Parks	Sugar Grove Park District
Dan McCauley	Park Specialist	Sugar Grove Park District
Mike Ferencak	Planner	Village of Sugar Grove
Mary Heineman	Village Trustee	Village of Sugar Grove
Laura Haake	Park Designer	City of Yorkville
Michael Brown	Village Planner	Village of Montgomery
Matt McCleary	Senior Associate	Rolf Campbell and Associates
Ed Szydlowski	Program Manager	Village of Carpentersville
Tom Armstrong	Principal Planner	City of Elgin
Chris Tiedt	Civil Engineer I	City of St. Charles
Karen Miller	Executive Planner	Kane Co. Development Dept.

I. OPENING OF MEETING

Monica Meyers called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. Introductions were made. Mary Heineman moved and Ed Szydlowski seconded approval of the minutes of the November 6, 2006 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

II. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Director/Coordinator Update

2007 Public Bicycle Map Update/2007 Planning Bicycle Map Update

The updated Public Map, which includes existing local and regional trails and proposed regional trails, will be ready for spring in the spring and distributed to municipalities, park districts, chamber of commerce, tourism agencies, and local bike shops. This year in addition to having the Public Map available we will also be producing a Planning Map that will be available on the Bicycle and Pedestrian website at www.co.kane.il.us/dot/COM/BikePed/. The Planning Map will include existing and proposed regional and local trails. To request a copy of the map, contact Erin Willrett at 630-444-3142 or willreterin@co.kane.il.us.

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New Look for the Council Website

The Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors (KKCOM) recently updated their website to reflect the newly created Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), resulting from the merger of CATS and NIPC. The website changes also allow for easier navigation and the ability to post more detailed program and even information. The website address remains: www.co.kane.il.us/dot/COM.

Randall Road/Route 64 Underpass Update

The underpass was substantially completed by November 2006 approximately 6 months ahead of schedule. Lighting for the underpass has not yet been installed and is slated for late spring/early summer. Excavation for the bike path from the underpass to the intersection of Dean Street is currently underway and should be completed sometime in the summer/fall before the Oct 2007 completion date for the road project. The underpass is currently closed to any bike or foot traffic due to the lack of lighting and the excavation work along the west side of Randall where the path will head to the intersection of Dean Street. KDOT will issue a press release when the path is completed and ready for bike and foot traffic.

Safe Routes to School

The Illinois Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS) is a Federal Funding Program administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation. Key features of the Illinois SRTS Program include:

- Projects are funded at 100% with no local match required.
- Between 70% and 90% of funds will support infrastructure projects. 10% to 30% of funds will support non-infrastructure programs.
- All applications require an approved Illinois School Travel Plan
- Only those projects and programs included in the corresponding School Travel Plan are eligible for funding.
- Multiple projects may be applied for by a single Sponsoring Agency, using a single application.
- School Travel Plans and funding applications are accepted only through an online application process.

The deadlines for the Safe Routes to School Travel Plan and Application have been extended! **The new deadline for submitting your School Travel Plan is May 31, 2007, and the deadline for submitting your Application is June 30, 2007.** Contact the Illinois Department of Transportation's state coordinator for Safe Routes to School, Megan Holt (megan.holt@illinois.gov, 217-785-2932) with any questions. For more information visit, www.dot.il.gov/saferoutes/saferouteshome.aspx.

Bike to Work Week and the Commuter Challenge June 9-15, 2007

The Chicagoland Bicycle Federation's (CBF) Bicycle Commuter Challenge is June 9–15. CBF challenges you to commute at least part of your trip to work using your bicycle. And, they want you to bring the people you work with along for the ride. You can sign up yourself or your office up online at www.biketraffic.org

RTAP Application

The Regional Transit Authority recently requested pre-applications for the 2007 Regional Technical Assistance Program. The goal of the program is for preliminary transit planning and technical assistance. One pre-application was submitted by staff - Randall Road Route 529 Plan to Improve Access to Bus Service. The study will prepare a plan to improve access and ridership through infrastructure and service enhancements.

B. Municipal / Park District/County/Forest Preserve Update

- Mike Ferencak, from the Village of Sugar Grove, stated that they are working with developers as they come in to coordinate bike paths and look at different options for regional connections. Mary Heineman, Village Trustee, stated that the Village want so make sure that there is a comprehensive circuit of trails in the region.
- Michael Brown, from the Village of Montgomery, said that they are in process of planning new trails in the newer developments in the Village. The Village is also waiting to hear back regarding grants submitted to the state.
- Tom Armstrong, from the City of Elgin, reported that the City is in the midst of Planning for an Area Wide Bicycle Master Plan. The kick-off meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2007.
Laura Haake, from the City of Yorkville, stated that they are updating their Master Plan and are working on incorporating connections from the City limits to surrounding municipalities. They are also involved on the Fox River Corridor Plan and are working with them to have their trails shown.
- Ed Szydowski, from the Village of Carpentersville, reported that they are continuing with the meetings held with the park district, township and surrounding communities to go over bicycle/pedestrian issues. It was also reported that the Sleepy Hollow Road project is almost complete and this improvement includes bike path.

- Matt McCleary, representing the Village of Gilberts, said that they are working on the Galligan Road project that includes bike path and are hoping from construction next year.
- Jim Reuter from the Village of South Elgin reported that they are continuing to work on the Downtown Master Plan and are currently focused on re-routing the Fox River Trail, so it can go behind the Washer Building.
- Kristy Stone, from the Village of Bartlett, reported that they are currently working on the West Bartlett Road Corridor and are working to extend the bike path to IL 25 along this corridor.
- Wes Kornowske, from the Village of North Aurora, reported that they are working on the Ruby Bikeway and the Oak Street bike/ped bridge.
- Dave Johnson, from the St. Charles Park District, reported that they received an OSLAD grant for Maples to South of Ferson Creek to Bolcum.
- A representative from Christopher Burke, representing the City of Geneva, is working on the 7th Street trail, and they are also working on a new proposed trail alignment through Prairie Green.
- Tom Rickert, Kane County Division of Transportation, reported that the County is working on the Orchard Road improvements south to Montgomery. They are also waiting to hear a response from IDOT regarding the South Street Trail project. In working on the McLean Boulevard project, the County is staging construction, the first phase will be roadway construction and the second phase will be obtaining the ROW to add the bike/ped trail.
- Jerry Culp, from the Kane County Forest Preserve, reported that they are working on the regional trail at Dick Young Forest Preserve, Lake Run Creek and Fitchie Creek Forest Preserves. They are also working at various preserves to improve the interior trails. The Forest Preserve applied for an RTP grant for Burnidge Forest Preserve and OSLAD grant for Muirhead Springs.
- Tom Rickert, Kane County Division of Transportation, reported that the County would like to begin coordination with St. Charles to look at the connection to LeRoy Oaks. The County is also working on the Orchard Road improvements south to Montgomery. In working on the McLean Boulevard project, the County is staging construction and may be removing the bike trail element because of hardships of land acquisitions.
- Chris Tiedt, from the City of St. Charles, reported that they are currently looking how to connect Randall and Dean West to LeRoy Oaks Forest Preserve after the Randall Road project is complete. They are looking to do the engineering for the trail in-house and budget for construction next year. They are currently coordinating with the Forest Preserve.

III. UPDATES TO BIKE / PED PUBLIC AND PLANNING BICYCLE MAP

A. Review Draft 2007 Public Kane and Northern Kendall Counties Bicycle Map/Kane and Kendall County Planning Map

Please give any changes to the bike map to Erin Willrett by close of business Wednesday, May 2nd. The map will then go to the printing press for final printing and the planning map will be posted on the Council of Mayors Bike/Ped Web page.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Mid-County Trail Update

Monica Meyer gave an update on the Mid-County Trail coordination that has taken place. Ms. Meyer and Ms. Willrett met with the municipalities along the Mid-County Trail route last year and determined that best route and feel that it is about 95% accurate. The Forest Preserve is putting the regional trail within the Forest Preserves within this year. It is important that the other agencies finish their portion within the next 3 – 5 years. It will be a great asset to have a north/south centralized trail stretching from Kendall County to McHenry County.

B. Other Business

Monica Meyers stated that it was nice to see the increasing numbers of attendees at the meetings. If there is anything in your community that you would like on the agenda please let Erin Willrett know.

Trustee Heineman, from the Village of Sugar Grove, stated how interesting the Batavia Comprehensive Bicycle Plan was. It was a great reference especially for the early stages of planning.

Tom Rickert stated that it would be good if Ms. Willrett could look at the new BMP's for Bicycle and Pedestrians and incorporate an update to the County's 2002 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

V. Next Meeting

Erin Willrett will be sending out a meeting notice in the summer of 2007.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Mary Heineman moved and Mike Ferencak seconded approval of the adjournment. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

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November 8, 2007
Minutes

In attendance:

Monica Meyers	Executive Director	Kane County Forest Preserve
Tom Rickert	Council Director	Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors
Erin Willrett	Reg. Planning Liaison	Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors
Michele Springer	Planner	Kane County Forest Preserve
Steve Coffinbargar	Director of Planning & Programming	Kane County D.O.T.
Geoff Payton	Streets Supervisor	Village of Sugar Grove
John Clayton	Superintendent of Parks	Sugar Grove Park District
Mike Ferencak	Planner	Village of Sugar Grove
Mary Heineman	Village Trustee	Village of Sugar Grove
Laura Haake	Park Designer	City of Yorkville
Stephanie Beottcher	Senior Planner	City of Yorkville
Michael Brown	Village Planner	Village of Montgomery
Karen Miller	Executive Planner	Kane Co. Development Dept.
Ed Barsotti	Executive Director	League of Illinois Bicyclists
Jessica Thompson	Project Planner	League of Illinois Bicyclists
Larry Gabriel	Superintendent of Parks	Geneva Park District
Kyle Cratz	Administrative Intern	Village of Gilberts
Meredith Regan	Manager	American Diabetes Association
Ylida Pineyro	Outreach Associate	Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
John O'Neal	Planner	Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
Rae Keasler	Assistant Planner	City of Aurora

I. OPENING OF MEETING

Monica Meyers called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Introductions were made. Mary Heineman moved and Larry Gabriel seconded approval of the minutes of the April 26, 2007 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

II. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Director/Coordinator Update

Randall Road/Route 64 Underpass Update

The underpass was substantially completed by November 2006, lighting for the underpass has been installed, and excavation for the bike path from the underpass to the intersection of Dean Street is also completed. The underpass is currently closed to any bike or foot traffic due to construction along the shoulders. KDOT would not encourage any use as the area is still under construction. KDOT will issue a press release when the path is completed and ready for use.

New Bike Law Passed

The Illinois Senate Bill 80 was signed on August 16, making the three foot passing rule law. Proposed by the League of Illinois Bicyclists (LIB), the new law will require motorists to leave a minimum of 3 feet when passing a bike to allow: 1) cyclists to "take the lane" where right turns are authorized, and 2) the option of a right arm hand signal when turning right. The LIB will now begin the process of educating the public about the new law. For more information visit www.bikelib.org/.

Complete Streets Law Passed

Illinois now has a Complete Streets law, the law - Senate Bill 314 - requires that bicycle and pedestrian ways be established in or near urban areas in all state transportation projects. It is effective immediately for project planning and required in construction beginning August 2008. This is the fourth successful piece of bicycling- and pedestrian-related legislation to become law this session - Senate Bill 80, which requires motorists to give at least 3 feet of clearance when passing a bicyclist; Senate Bill 639, which identifies police on bicycles as emergency vehicles; and House Bill 508, which increases the penalty for hitting a crossing guard near a school.

FY2008 CMAQ Program

The FY2008 - FY2010 multi-year program is awaiting federal approval; a draft program is available on-line at www.catsmpo.com/prog-cmaq.htm.

Potential Pace Service Cuts/Fare Increases

Due to temporary funding availability, **no** Pace route cuts or fare increases will currently take place. Pace will hold off on all cuts and increases until the beginning of the January. More details will follow as they become available. Fare increases include local and remaining Metra Feeder/Shuttle routes rising to \$1.50, vanpool fares increasing 10%, and all ADA Paratransit service region-wide rising to \$3.00. Additionally, Pace will no longer accept the ADA monthly pass, or the CTA 7-Day, U-Pass, or Visitor/Fun Passes. Service cuts may eliminate Saturday service on routes 528, 529, and 801, and, Pace may discontinue Metra feeder route 534.

"Ride in Kane" Target Implementation

On October 10, 2007, the Pace Board approved a resolution for the implementation of "Ride in Kane" in January 2008. Please note the following key dates. As originally planned, sponsors will host a media kickoff event celebrating the implementation of "Ride in Kane" in January.

January 10, 2008 – All sponsor rider-registrations received by Pace. Program marketing begins.

January 25, 2008 – Call center opens and begins taking ride reservations.

January 26, 2008 – "Ride in Kane" rides begin.

How to Seal the Deal: CMAP Workshop

CMAP invites you to a panel discussion focusing on best practices in planning and economic development on Friday **November 30, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** at the ComEd Commercial Center, 1919 Swift Drive, Oakbrook, IL. Discussions will focus on the achievements of successful developments highlighting how the individual roles of developers, municipal managers and planners can come together in a team approach. The discussions will emphasize best practice procedures and will address some of the problems and barriers that all practitioners face in implementing a successful or unsuccessful development. Your advanced non-refundable registration fee of \$25 included lunch. Please RSVP by November 22 to Brian Rademacher (brademacher@cmmap.illinois.gov or 312-86-8668).

CMAP Climate Change Summit

CMAP's next summit will be on "Creating a Regional Agenda to Address Climate Change." It is scheduled for **December 11, 2007**, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the University of Illinois at Chicago. The summit agenda will feature distinguished speakers assessing the risks and opportunities in terms of our energy future, human and natural resource health, infrastructure, commerce, and land-use and transportation planning. This event is designed for policy makers and advocates across the following areas: municipal, county and regional representation, land-use and transportation, economic development, health and human services, natural resources, developers, business and civic organizations, faith-based organizations, CMAP board committees. See <http://www.chicagoareaplanning.org/summit/> for more information.

CMAP Photo Contest

CMAP is asking residents of Cook, DuPage, Will, Kane, McHenry, Lake, and Kendall counties to use their cameras to capture what they value about the region. Your submission to the Images of Northeastern Illinois photo contest could be showcased in CMAP's upcoming Regional Comprehensive Plan, the first ever to integrate land use and transportation planning for the entire seven-county region. We will also use selected images on our website and in other regional plans. The contest will have five themes, with two winners for each theme and one overall winner:

- Diversity – people, places, culture
- Community Vitality – transportation, livable communities, retail, neighborhood pride
- Natural Environment – lakes, rivers, preserves, parks, sky, wildlife
- Global Appeal – business centers, commerce, production, movement of goods, finance
- Architecture/Urban Design – plazas, buildings, neighborhoods, boulevards

Please submit your photos by **November 15, 2007**. For entry information and full contest rules, contact Amy Talbot, atlabot@cmmap.illinois.gov or 312-386-8646.

New CMAP Website

CMAP has launched a new website at <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov>. The site is based on a powerful content-management system that will give us more flexibility than the old system. Weekly emails are now available in blog form, meaning you may post comments and engage in discussions. The calendar function is a significant improvement, as is the expandable menu navigation at left. The site is in no sense finished, because CMAP will be adding content and interactive features, including wiki capabilities that will add a new dimension to our public engagement on the regional comprehensive plan and other projects.

CMAP Vision Statement Survey

Coinciding with the new web, we are asking partners to take a few moments to complete the survey (<http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/survey.aspx>) about CMAP's draft vision statements. These were revised following the September 12 visioning event. If you did not attend that day, the survey is an opportunity for you to provide the same type of feedback as attendees did. If you were at the event, it lets you check in on the revisions and make further comments. The survey will be available at least through December. See <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/plan/> for more about the regional comprehensive planning process.

Upcoming Events

- **November 14, 2007 – CMAP Bike/Ped Task Force Meeting**
2:00 p.m., CMAP Offices, Sears Tower, Chicago
- **November 16, 2007 - KKCOM Full Council Meeting**
9:00 a.m., City of Batavia, Council Chambers
- **November 30, 2007 - How to Seal the Deal**
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., ComEd Commercial Center, 1919 Swift Drive, Oakbrook, IL 60523
- **December 11, 2007 - CMAP Summit on Climate Change**
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., University of Illinois at Chicago

Ed Barsotti elaborated on SB 314. This new law will affect IDOT roads only and for reconstruction or expansion projects on the urban roadway. IDOT will be going through their sidewalk cost-sharing information as well as their bike manual and revise it based on the new legislation. The League of Illinois Bicyclists are suggesting urban defined as the MPO's designation of urban roadways.

Tom Rickert informed the committee that the County Board is going forward with the IL 47 Corridor Study. This is an important study that the County will need input from the Forest Preserves, Park Districts as well as municipalities on bicycle/pedestrian issues.

B. Municipal / Park District/County/Forest Preserve Update

- Jessica Thompson, from the League of Illinois Bicyclists, reported that she was recently hired by the League to help local municipalities develop bike plans. She will help plan for public educational purposes, safety (including safe routes to school) as well as creating bike maps and looking for funding opportunities for communities. She is also helping communities apply for the Bicycle Friendly Award, which is based on the 5 E's (Engineering, Education, Enforcement, Encouragement, and Evaluation).
- Ed Barsotti, from the League of Illinois Bicyclists, reporting for the City of Batavia stated that the City adopted the Bike plan in May and subsequently submitted a Safe Routes to School Application. They are waiting on notification of funding from Safe Routes to School. The initial implementation of the Bike Plan has been primarily focused on priority routes in the City. Regarding the City of Aurora, the City has produced a bike maps that include preferred routes as well as an education section. The League of Illinois Bicyclists is currently working on Complete Streets Audits for new roadway projects in how they can accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians; LIB is also including recommended methodology when making comments.
- Larry Gabriel, from the Geneva Park District, reported that they are trying to replace a bike/ped bridge that is located in Island Park. It is also located within the historic district. He is going in front of the Historic Commission for the 3rd time in hopes of approval for bridge replacement. Construction would take place in 1 – 2 years. Because of the flooding that took place during the summer the park district will be resurfacing some areas in the spring of 2008. The Park District continues to work with the City of Geneva to connect the 7th Street trail to Wheeler Park. The Park District is also installing distance markers for Wheeler Park and Peck Farm Trail.
- Tom Rickert, from the Kane County D.O.T., stated that IL64/Randall Road underpass is significantly complete. This major project considerably enhances safety. St. Charles is diligently working on bridging the gap west on Dean Street so that ultimately the Fox River Trail will connect with the Great Western Trail. Stearns Road Corridor are being evaluated, some of the staging will be using the existing Forest Preserve trails in the short-term in coordination with the Forest Preserve to address connections. The South Street Project is currently being re-scoped to the original scope. This is an important connection that will link Geneva to Elburn. Anderson Road Project is still moving forward with the bike/ped element included in the project. Longmeadow Parkway is currently being studied as a toll bridge concept. There is a bike/ped element involved in this as another bridge project that will span the Fox River.
- Mike Ferencak, from the Village of Sugar Grove, reported that the bike path near Galena Boulevard in Timbercrest Development will be installed prior to the development of the residential area. This will connect the Virgil Gilman Trail to Windsor Point. They are also working on extending a trail along Municipal Drive.
- Jon Clayton, from the Sugar Grove Park District, reported that they have updated their website, and have also created a bike map of proposed and existing local pathways. They are working with the Village of Sugar Grove to designate on-street safe routes that lead to regional pathways.
- Mary Heineman, Trustee from the Village of Sugar Grove, stated that the Village is working on the development of a Comprehensive Plan for the bike/ped system. They are working in coordination with the Park District in this effort.
- Rea Keasler, from the City of Aurora, reported that the City created a bike map and bike brochures for the train stations. They are in the process of updating the unapproved Bike/Ped Plan. They are in the beginning stages, working with residents to install a trolley that will travel along Station Boulevard to the Route 59 Metra Station. Chairman Meyers also stated that the Fox River Gap is still in the queue for CMAQ dollars (approx. \$1.6 Million). They plan also to use RTP funds. There is an agreement for the City, the Park District and the Forest Preserve to share the costs of the project equally.
- Michael Brown, from the Village of Montgomery, reported that they are hoping to secure a CMAQ grant for a bike extension to connect the east and west side of the Village.
- Laura Haake, from the City of Yorkville, reported that IDOT has contacted the City regarding accommodating bicyclists at the US 34/IL47 intersection project to retrofit with trails. The City is also working on a ComEd trail from Van Emmonds to IL 26 to IL 71 to IL 47. They are working with IDOT to approve the crossing at IL 26 and IL 71, once they get sign-off they will then contract with ComEd. The City has completed a trail map and will do

public hearings regarding the map in the spring. The City is continuously working to acquire land along the river front; they are having difficulty with the rail line in between Yorkville and Oswego.

- Chairman Meyers stated that she has spoken with the City of St. Charles and they are working on the overpass at Randall Road and Silver Glen Road, construction should begin in Spring/Summer 2008.
- Michelle Springer, from the Kane County Forest Preserve, reported that they are working on the Fabyan Parking lot in trying to separate the parking lot from the trail. In the Dick Young Forest Preserve they will complete the Mid-County Trail portion within the Forest Preserve this month. They are also installing a new parking lot and limestone trail within the forest preserve. At the Aurora West Forest Preserve there will be a future connection of the Mid-County Trail, Lake Run is the property that connects Aurora West to Dick Young Forest Preserve. Currently a limestone trail is being installed throughout Aurora West to connect to the Virgil Gilman Trail.

III. UPDATES TO BIKE / PED PUBLIC AND PLANNING BICYCLE MAP

A. Update 2007 Public Kane and Northern Kendall Counties Bicycle Map/Kane and Kendall County Planning Map

Erin Willrett is beginning to start meeting with the municipalities and park districts within Kane and Kendall County for updates to the 2007 public bike map. A sign-up sheet was passed out. Please bring changes to the meeting that have been done within the last year or are projected in the future and the updates will be put on the map.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. American Diabetes Association Bicycle Ride

Meredith Regan from the American Diabetes Association gave an update on the signature ride that is moving to Geneva for 2008. There will be a 25k, 60k and a 100k courses. The 25k will be a closed loop course; the 60 and 100 will be on-road. They are working with the Geneva Police to shut-down roads and are looking for support from the community. The ADA is a far reaching charitable component for diabetes. Please go to www.diabetes.org/tour for more information.

B. CMAP Update

John O'Neal and Ylida Pineyro were present from CMAP to give an update. Ms. Pineyro is an outreach associate for the collar counties in the region. She encouraged everyone to take the on-line survey to help with the vision statements for the region's Comprehensive Plan. She also stated that members were needed from municipalities for the Citizens Advisory Committee at CMAP. Please let her know if you are interested. Mr. O'Neal reported that there is a CMAP Bike/Ped Task Force meeting on November 14th at 2p.m. at CMAP's offices at the Sears Tower. He also gave an update on the Regional Greenways and Trails Plan. This plan will hopefully be adopted by CMAP. It is an attempt to look at what the region has and what is planned to take place. They plan to meet with the Forest Preserve, municipalities and counties to get input.

Mr. Rickert stated that this is a critical link for programming and that it is important to coordinate with CMAP when constructing and planning trail projects.

Funding sources and tips on funding have been put together by the League of Illinois Bicyclists. Ms. Willrett will email them out to the committee.

V. Next Meeting

Erin Willrett will be sending out a meeting notice for late January or early February 2008, as we need to get the map approved and out for the spring riding season in March.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Mary Heineman moved and Mike Ferencak seconded approval of the adjournment. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.