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Meeting Minutes – May 5, 2010

Attendance: John Pilger (JP), Tony Crosby, Jim Jordan, Len Wilson, Sgt Scott Morgan (PCSD), Bill Adamson, Mary Reynolds (Sahuarita), Joan VanDenbos (Tubac), Stan Riddle (GVCCC)

JP called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

- 1) The minutes of the Apr 7, 2010 meeting were approved.
- 2) Sheriff Department: Sgt Morgan said that he would go through LT Rosenthal to request motor and SAV support for the ROS.
- 3) Status of Projects and Advocacies:
 - a) TPCBAC & Enforcement – Tony mentioned two items from Deputy Roher’s report at the April T-PCBAC meeting: The targeted enforcement on the west side of the Tucson Mountains, initiated in response to complaints about cyclists, resulted in 20 citations against motorists and 3 against cyclists and an incident occurred on Old Nogales Hwy where a motorist was cited and recommended for driver retesting after striking one or more stationary cyclists.
 - b) Santa Cruz/Tubac – Joan reported that progress is being made on filling gaps in the deAnza Trail in Santa Cruz Co. She is optimistic that by 2012 a continuous trail will exist from Nogales north to the county line.
 - c) Town of Sahuarita
 - i) Bill said the RTA includes an on-list trail project from Sahuarita Rd to Pima Mine Rd. The RTA lists this as the “Santa Cruz River Park” which is also known here as the Anza Trail. Sahuarita may request funding in May to start scoping and design work.
 - ii) Bill said that this summer Pima County plans to work on obtaining easements and conducting a survey for the Anza trail from the Abrego trailhead to Sahuarita Road.
 - d) GVCCC T & A Meeting
 - i) Jim mentioned a problem on Elephant Head Road in connection with the Tour de Cure ride. Evidently groups of cyclists contributed to motorists passing in unsafe situations.
 - ii) The Continental Road/West Frontage Road interchange should be complete in November.
 - iii) A ramp on west bound Continental intended to allow cyclists temporary access to the sidewalk and out of the traffic lane during construction.
 - e) Continental School Project – Jim said the contract is still not out to bid. The earliest

completion date is now probably not until after the school year begins in the fall.

- f) RTA, RTP, PAG Bike Plan, and TIP
 - i) Bill mentioned several meetings he will be attending including a final meeting on the Plan 2040 and a meeting with Nanette Slusser on the Parkland Foundation.
 - ii) Pima Co. looking for TE grants for the Urban Loop, bike lanes on Esperanza under I-19, and Duval Mine Rd. Bill remarked that sharrows (shared lane markings), while adopted at the federal level and published in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, have not yet been approved by ADOT and the ADOT Traffic Engineer has refused our recommendation that sharrows be used a cheap solution for Esperanza.
- g) Mission Road Update – Bill and others confirmed that Mission Rd is being resurfaced from Drexel south to San Xavier and in other areas further south. Bicycle lanes are not being added. Bill and JP have a meeting scheduled with the Planning Administrator for the San Xavier District, Tohono O’odham Nation May 20th
- h) Bicycling Value Added – JP said he is compiling information on the financial impact of cycling.
- i) Road Marking Update – Tony said had emailed Marshall Beatty to check on plans to apply bicycle decals to the newly paved part of La Cañada.

4) Publicity/Education/Website:

- a) Ribbon Cutting for La Cañada – Mary expressed thanks for the rider support at the ribbon cutting. She said she would email the link to the article on the ceremony to Chuck for the SCVBAC website.
- b) Ride of Silence – JP reported for Chuck that publicity is going well and that he has sent letters to 16 community dignitaries. GV Bike and Hike will provide refreshments.
- c) Catalina Highway Bicycle Memorial Trailhead – PCDOT has scheduled a public meeting to discuss the project and the proposed location at McDonald Park on May 24.

- 5) Public Concerns – Stan Riddle, GVCCC, brought up the danger of cyclists riding on the west frontage road between Calle Tres and Continental and of cyclists riding on the white line. Tony agreed to supply a point paper to Stan on the latter topic.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:52 PM. The regular meetings will be suspended until October.

Tony Crosby, Scribe