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Meeting Minutes – Jan 5, 2011

Attendance: John Pilger (JP), Tony Crosby, Bill Adamson, Mary Reynolds (Sahuarita), Bill Katzel, Jim Jordan, Al Miller, Len Wilson, Eric Thompson (PCSD), Lynne Skelton (Sahuarita)

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

- 1) The minutes of the Dec 1, 2010 meeting were approved.
- 2) Sheriff Department: Sgt Thompson reported that the entries and exits from the Continental Post Office will not be changed as they must comply with federal and state directives.
- 3) Status of Projects and Advocacies:
 - a) Town of Sahuarita
 - i) La Villita – Mary is pursuing the use of sharrow marking on the north bound lane.
 - ii) Ribbon cutting for Sahuarita Rd, Phase 1, will be Jan 19th at 3:30 on the north side of the pedestrian underpass.
 - iii) Bill will attend a Sahuarita Farms planning session on Jan 19th where he hopes to network for a de Anza trail route.
 - b) Quail Creek – Al reported that Ron Darrah, QCPOA, supports better signage for bicycles, but doesn't want to foot the bill, and wants Quail Creek on the Santa Cruz Valley Bike Map. Al said that use of Bicycle Friendly Community signs at QC entrances would help with awareness and Mary said she would contact Tom Thivener on availability of signs.
 - c) GVCCC T & A – Jim said the traffic lights near I-19 would not be activated until construction is complete and that bicycle lanes will be stripped under the I-19 bridge.
 - d) Continental School Project – Jim said work had been slowed by cold weather but the bike path is done and most of the bike lane completed. Improvements to the RR crossing should take place in early Feb. On a related topic, Jim said the north side of the Continental Rd project is complete but the contractor is still working on the catch basin on the south side.
 - e) RTA & BAC/FSC – Bill reported that the Hughes/Alvernon bicycle lane project is on hold due to the possibility that the Raytheon plant may expand causing a relocation of Hughes Access Rd. He also said that he and Roy Scoonover are recommending Chuck Huckelberry for T-PCBAC bicycle advocate of the year.
 - f) ADOT– Jim said that ADOT will hold off on a redesign of the I-19 south bound exit ramp intersection with Esperanza it can be integrated with the TE grant for the Esperanza underpass. Regarding the Continental School project he said the school has requested permission from ADOT to locate the bicycle racks under the solar panels.
 - g) Mission Road – Bill recapped the meetings and difficulties of getting safety shoulders

- added to county roads on reservation land.
- h) T-PCBAC and Enforcement – Tony said David Bachman-Williams presented a history of the Committee’s involvement with the modern streetcar project at the last meeting. David said the project offers little benefit to cyclists but is important to the whole multi-modal transportation system and that bicycle safety considerations have been voiced and considered to the extent possible.
 - i) Mountain Biking Issues and de Anza Trail – Tony pointed out that Kerry Baldwin, the PC Natural Resources Division Manager, believes the de Anza trail has a stable bank between the river and Torres Blancas golf course.
- 4) Publicity/Education/Website:
- a) GABA Bike Week – Tony pointed out an article on GABA Bike “Spokes!” Bike Week in the Jan GABA newsletter. Two proposed routes will be contained in the Santa Cruz Valley area in mid-March. JP said the Senior Games bicycle race will be Mar 11th.
 - b) Tucson Bicycle Classic – expected dates are Mar 18-20.
 - c) Website – JP said GVCCC will pay the \$105 to enable the SCVBAC to maintain its domain name (SCVBAC.ORG) for the next 5 years.
 - d) The Idaho Law – JP said he is coordinating with AZ law enforcement to see if they would support adopting the Idaho rules regarding bicycles. Chief Harris, SPD, will report if adopted at the chiefs meeting.
 - e) Bill led a brief brainstorming session on how to increase bike ridership in the local area. He hopes to form a subcommittee to work ideas on how to get people on, or back on, bicycles.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Feb 2, 2011

Tony Crosby, Scribe