



January Monthly Meeting Agenda

January 18, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom

Trail Signage Kiosks Project Update

BikeNewark Goals and Accomplishments 2023 - Continued Discussion (see attached)

- What was accomplished?
- What wasn't accomplished?
- Why weren't some goals accomplished?
- What remains to be done going into next year?

Discussion of Preliminary BikeNewark Goals for 2024

Planning Other Projects for 2024

- Bike-safety events
- Family Bike Fest
- Rides and other activities
- Bikeshare business coming to Newark
- Grand re-opening of the Newark Bike Project
- Local way finding app for bicyclists
- Completion of Bicycle Plan update
- Continue to participate in Bicycle Infrastructure Planning

Treasurer's Report

Old and New Business

BikeNewark Goals for 2023 Year End Assessment [ROUGH DRAFT]

- 1) Continue development of final phase of Newark Bikeways and way finding signage.
 - Oversee installation of way finding signage for Central Loop and South Bikeway.
 - Assisted City staff in planning and installations
 - Signage is missing in a few places and needs to be investigated. Engineering Comm should look at this and review with City and DelDOT
 - Purchase four kiosks and work with the City to install along the Central Loop.
 - Purchase completed, installation TBA
 - Potentially includes online destination resources (through A. I. Whoo)
 - Bob spoke to Matt several times about status of the project – it is underway with classes at UD
 - Need to have more information presented to BikeNewark meeting
- 2) Assist in revision/update of 2014 Newark Bicycle Plan in coordination with WILMAPCO and the City of Newark.
 - Mike, Heather and Bob Presented to several City Council Committees on the update process September-October
 - Listening tour has yielded some suggestions from City Committees and need to look for more information from UDEL. Incorporating information from Newark TID is needed
 - Heather is developing a volunteer request for added assistance in collecting data.
- 3) Assist in planning phase of improvements to South College Avenue from I--95 to Main Street.
 - Participated in DEL DOT Meeting with NCC and Newark Reps about original planning
 - Working with NCC Planning Dept on Bikeways designation for areas outside of Newark
 - Everybody on Team is waiting on additional information from the traffic analysis
- 4) Provide bike advocacy– and bike safety–related public events in cooperation with partner organizations.
 - 4 Bike Safety Sessions on UD Green during the year (need a consistent name for these)
 - Met with State PTA Conference attendees about Bike Safety in schools
 - Event on City Beer Garden evening in September
 - Newark Family Bike Festival Bike Rodeo event June 2023
 - Discussion with City Conservation Advisory Committee on funding bike safety/lights program
 - Newark Community Day safety and other presentations
- 5) Create safety--training publication, video, and online materials for:
 - Delaware Avenue Bikeway. Cooperated with DEL DOT on published document about Bikeway
 - 3 Full videos of Bikeway travel recorded for training and publicity uses
 - Rodolfo re-video of DE Ave before the Bikeway
 - Bicycling to school or work safely using Newark Bikeways low-stress network.
 - Bike to Work Day 2023
 - Bike to School Day

Bike Rodeo at Downs Elementary School
First Friday Rides on Newark Bikeways
Meeting on Chrysler Ave Bikeway planning with City Consultants
Presentations at Community Organizations about BikeNewark

6) Develop bike--parking proposal and needs assessment for the entire Newark community.

- Includes retro--fitting locations to upgrade for needed bike parking
- Includes seeking Revenue Sharing funding to help fund new bike parking

Both will not be accomplished until 2024 since start has been slow on Bike Plan Revision

7) Seek opportunities to sponsor or co--sponsor events with other related organizations, with emphasis on equity and inclusion for specific sub--communities within Newark.

Presented information about Bike Plan update to City Council Committee on Diversity

Met with Pastel Pedals Bike Share Company about startup/move to Newark from DE City

Second company Fin Outdoor Adventures is now operating in Wilmington and may move to Newark with Bike Share services

For 2023 Additional Achievements and past goals/accomplishments

Regional Trails planning in connection with City/County and larger transportation organizations
Newark to Newport Trail

Assisted in completion of Bicycle Friendly Community application