

Minutes
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Outer Banks Transportation Task Force

Attending: Jack McCombs, Jason Weeks, Greg Ball, Bill Brobst and Jeffrey Itell

Jack called the meeting to order.

Jack raised the issue of safety for bicycles and pedestrians. He recounted experiences he had yesterday with for sets of “yahoo” drivers, three of whom yelled at him and one of whom tried to run him off the road. Jack is concerned that a bicyclist will get killed because of this thuggish behavior.

Greg Ball presented a set of maps showing existing bike paths. He has confirmed data from Nags Head and Kill Devil Hills and needs to confirm data he has received from Duck and Southern Shores. He will contact Kitty Hawk again to obtain its data.

Jeffrey Itell demonstrated Google Earth as a planning and communication tool for the bike-ped committee. Greg Ball will “mash-up” the bike path data with Google Earth to create real-time map and video of the bike paths on the Outer Banks. Jeffrey Itell will help him with this effort.

Jack and Bill will attend the scheduled public meetings on the Oregon Inlet Bridge. Jack agreed to monitor the planning process to ensure that bicyclist interests are incorporated in the project.

Jack announced that he is resigning as chair of the committee but will stay on as a member.

The committee will meet again on April 20, 2007.

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent.