

Members Present

Linda Osiecki, Co-Chair	DelDOT
Tom Nickel, Co-Chair	DelDOT
David Bartoo	DNREC
Jim Galvin	Dover/Kent MPO
Paul Moser	DelDOT
Tigist Zegeye	Wilmapco

Member Absent

Jared Kauffmann	DTC
Peter Haag	DelDOT
William Payne	Caregiver

DelDOT Support Staff

Maria Andaya	DelDOT
Farzana Atique	McCormick Taylor

Guests

Bernie Gilbert	DelDOT
Anson Gock	DelDOT
Mike Nauman	GPI
Todd Webb	DelDOT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 am by Co-Chair, Ms. Linda Osiecki.

2. MEETING MINUTES REVIEW (06/13/2019)

Upon the motion of Mr. Nickel and seconded by Ms. Zegeye, the subcommittee approved the minutes from the June 23, 2019 meeting.

3. UPDATE ON GIS SIDEWALK LAYER

Mr. Gilbert provided an update regarding sidewalk data. Data collection for New Castle County and Kent County are progressing well. They just need to figure out a way to merge all data sets including sidewalks, ADA and pathways. They also need to figure out a way to collect Sussex County data completed. Luckily there's not a lot in Sussex to work on because Sussex is very spread out and it has a lot of private roads.

Ms. Osiecki asked how long do they expect to finish all these – whether weeks or months? Ms. Zegeye said she doesn't think it would take months.

Mr. Webb asked if their goal is to collect just sidewalks data or capture multiple things such as DelDOT infrastructure. Mr. Gilbert said they intend to capture everything. Mr. Webb said he asked because we have an obligation to show progress with our remedial plan in our self assessment. They're also looking at partnering with companies such as Moovit.

Mr. Gilbert said that is also their intention – so that people can plot their walking route and it will show them information whether there are sidewalks or the width of the shoulders, etc.

Ms. Osiecki asked if the data will be available to the public. Mr. Gilbert said yes.

Mr. Gilbert said once they have pulled all the data together people will be able to plot a route whether they're walking or on a wheelchair.

The ADA data is coming from what JMT did in 2015. Jantzen is compiling a list of DelDOT projects. Except the list does not distinguish what's on state right of way and what's on municipalities. Mr. Webb said that's good for tracking statewide network connectivity but not for tracking ADA compliance progress on state right of way.

RPEs are on paper forms but are not on GIS.

Mr. Gilbert said it's better to connect the paper forms to the map now.

The app that the Performance Quality's section is working on will do this but it's not done yet.

Mr. Gilbert will talk to Mr. Webb to see what he has.

4. PEDESTRIAN PLANS FOR MUNICIPALITIES

Ms. Andaya and Ms. Farzana showed to the group an excel sheet from the University of Delaware that shows which municipalities have sidewalk inventories, pedestrian plans and comprehensive plans. Seven municipalities have GIS based sidewalk, Five have pedestrian plans or mention of pedestrian plans in their comprehensive plans.

Ms. Andaya and Mr. Farzana will reach out to municipalities to offer help for them to develop pedestrian plans, inventory of current network and sidewalk prioritization. Mr. Webb said there is an opportunity to include a self assessment in this undertaking since municipalities are required to develop their own self-assessment plan.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Payne asked if we can invite the experts from The Netherlands who spoke at the Walkable and Bikable Summit to speak before the Pedestrian Council even via Skype. Mr. Moser will check first how much they will charge.

Also explore the app that can help report missing sidewalks.

5. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am. A Doodle Poll will be sent out for the next meeting.