

Iowa's Living Roadways Community Visioning 2016

Community: Carlisle
Minutes by Trees Forever Field Coordinator: **Patty Reisinger**
Date and Time: May 31, 2016 4pm to 5:40pm
Meeting Length: 1.6 hour
Location: City Hall
Meeting #6 Review materials, set goals

Number of committee members in attendance: 7

Names of committee members in attendance: Barbara Rasko, Andy Lent, Dennis Woodruff, Geri Seiberling, Ruth Randleman, Joe Jenkins & Rex Fowler.

Others attending: Bruce Niedermeyer & Sarah Davids of RDG Planning & Design.
Patty Reisinger Trees Forever.

Meeting Summary: This meeting transitions from the information gathering phase of the process to the design phase of the process. The Visioning committee started by sharing highlights of the information gathered during the Transportation Assets and Barriers Focus Group workshop (TAB), the Bioregional Assessment exercise and the Transportation Partners meetings in preparation for goal setting. Display boards containing information gleaned from the TAB and from Bioregional Assessment were present. The committee told about trends and preparing to converse as a group about what the community has expressed as Carlisle's transportation strengths, challenges, and improvement desires. The committee shared the information with the design team: made up of Bruce Niedermeyer and Sarah Davids of RDG Planning & Design.

A few comments made by the committee:

- Many comments about traffic and pedestrians and bikes along Highway 5.
- We have some trails that are similar to wide sidewalks and the public does not understand they can ride bikes on them. So there is confusion where the bikes should be. On the sidewalk or road surface?
- McClure Engineering is doing 3 plans or studies for Carlisle.
- What can be done for bike signage?
- A review was made of the Architect Foundations work in town. Next step involves selecting planters, benches and bike racks.
- There is more foot traffic along Scotch Ridge Road now.
- Some discussion on continuing "The Natural Place" theme for town.

We then created a list of possible solutions for the issues identified while reviewing TAB workshop and other materials. After the first list was made, similar projects were lumped with like smaller projects. A fuller list of potential projects/ solutions was created. When the conversation wrapped up the committee voted on projects they saw as priorities for the design team to focus on. Results are shown below.

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Highway 5 **7 votes**

- Connect downtown to gateway
- Connect all of town
- Neighborhood identify

Sidewalks need to be safer **5 votes**

- Connect & repair (especially major routes)
- Access Sidewalks disconnected

Safety **5 votes**

- Kids – Scotch Ridge Road
- Wyckoff's – Hwy 5
- Crossing Hwy 5
- Concern at intersections

Pedestrian access to Hwy 5 **3 votes**

User friendly bike trails (make Carlisle a destination) **3 votes**

Speed control / road design (traffic calming) **2 votes**

One vote:

Signage- tell story of Carlisle

Friendly design – pull in people

0 votes:

Flooding – 5th street (project in action to remediate)

Downtown bike hub

Plan for future

Trails no dead ends

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 8 Design day with tour