

AGENDA OF THE LAKE LINKS BIKE TRAIL
TASK FORCE
CITY OF BIRCHWOOD VILLAGE
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
April 24th, 2024
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

PUBLIC FORUM

APPROVE AGENDA

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. Review/approve minutes from March 27th meeting* (p. 2)
- 2. Set Meeting Norms
 - a. Meeting Job Duties
 - b. Meeting Time Limit
- 3. Review purpose and goals of meeting and task force.
- 4. Discuss pros/cons of the Birchwood Village Lake Links trail route options.
 - a. Hall Avenue west to right on Cedar Avenue to Left on Wildwood Ave.(current route of bikers).
 - b. Hall Ave west to right on Jay Street to Lake Avenue, to west on Wildwood Avenue.
 - c. Hall Avenue west to continue on Cedar Ave. to right on Birchwood Avenue to right and north on Century Avenue (current route of walkers)
- 5. Review Birchwood Road Measurements* (p. 3-4)
- 6. Schedule joint meeting with road safety task force.

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Birchwood Lake Links Bike trail Minutes Wednesday, March 27th

A. Introduction of new and current members

- B. Much discussion occurred around concerns about bike, pedestrian and motorist safety; bike trail routes; respecting property rights of owners; positioning of bike/pedestrian lanes; and fine gravel vs pavement for bike lanes.
- C. Three guidelines were put in place to decide bike routes and lanes:
 - 1. Safety- of bikers, walkers, pedestrians and motorists
 - 2. Feasibility- cost of road changes, signage, and road markings
 - 3. Usability- of all persons
- D. Three routes were chosen for trail consideration, starting from Mahtomedi:
 - 1. Hall Avenue west to right on Cedar Avenue to Left on Wildwood Ave.(current route of bikers).
 - 2. Hall Ave west to right on Jay Street to Lake Avenue, to west on Wildwood Avenue.
 - 3. Hall Avenue west to continue on Cedar Ave. to right on Birchwood Avenue to right and north on Century Avenue (current route of walkers)
- E. Plan for a community meeting in future to present and allow discussion on prospective changes
- F. Members, please bring pros and cons of each prospective route to next meeting
- G. Next meeting planned for Wednesday April 24th at 7:00 PM at City Hall

Lake Links Trail Committee -Birchwood Road Measurement Overview

A: Wildwood Ave. (total width)	@ House # 121		22 ft.	
		135	25′	
		152	23′	
		161	21′ 7″	
Wildwood Blvd. (one way North lane)			17'6"	
B: Birchwood Ave. (total width)	@Hou	se #20	18'6"	
		219	19′	
C: Cedar Ave. (total width)	. (total width) @House #219		28′	
Walkway only (South)			45"	
Walkway only (North)			40"	
White Pine & Cedar @Grotto Path		#435	27′	Walkway 3'
Hall & Jay Intersection			27′	Walkways North/South 3'
D: Cedar & Wildwood Ave. 3 Way Intersection East		22'		
		South	22'	
		West	21'	
E: Jay St.			21'8"	
Near Jay Path			17'9"	
F: Lake Ave.& Wildwood Ave.			21'8"	
G: Lake Ave.	@House #433		25'6"	
		#479	22'	
H: Lakewood Ln. & Lake Ave.	@House #365		19'	

1: East County Line Rd. (total width) 28.5" Walkway only (East) 3' (Severe dropoff adjacent to 3ft.) 3' (Flat surface adjacent to walkway) Walkway only (West) J: South Shore L.L. Trail 11'8" (one lane road) Walk/Bike Lane 10'3" 7′8″ Parking Lane K: Mahtomedi LL Trail (total width) 20'-21'10" 8'2"-8-6" Two way bike trail

Current Minnesota Dept of Transportation Statue on Width of Residential Street Lanes

Single Lane Width Minimum 9-10 ft

Two lane Width Minimum 20 ft.

(Note: All measurements are approximate with some variablity due to road conditions and land contour)