Dec 10, 2009 Community Event

Walt - Introduction

- Walt: Introduction
 - Community planning process and the ACCPG
 - Why we're doing this, brief history, Guiding Principles

Warren – Discussion of the Big Picture and the "Three Legs of the Stool"

- The sidewalk (more on this from Tim); there are lots of ways the trail(s) can be built around the community (sidewalk, trail, etc)
- The Safe Routes to School Program
 - Adam (briefly) Amsterdam School wants to be part of this, it fits with the community plan, the school Board voted to support this, etc.
- The trail across Cindy's property

Tim – The Sidewalk

- The sidewalk between Bethel Church and Manhattan Christian is the first phase of our plan and is what we want to focus on this evening;
- We have gotten 132k from the state to construct the sidewalk but the match is substantial \$22,000.
- We'd like to partner with the SRTS money, which would lessen the match needed
- We see this as benefiting the entire community: churches, schools, retirement home, pedestrians and bikers, etc..
- We have some questions to ask (*This starts the discussion portion; Warren can write questions/responses on flip charts*):
 - O What side of the road?
 - Issues include mailboxes, ditch, power poles
 - O What are you willing to commit?
 - The CTEP grant requires \$22k; we are trying to get that lessened through the SRTS grant, but we will still have to raise a substantial amount.
 - Can we raise the money?
 - Can we donate materials?
 - O Who can be the sponsor?
 - How will maintenance be taken care of?
 - Could we do an assessment through sewer distict or lighting district for maintenance?
 - Are people willing to shovel the walk in front of their house?

Walt – What can you do to help?

- Money, donated materials, time on the task force to help raise money and publicize
- Warren = maps, powerpoint, soundsystem, pens, comment sheets, flipcharts, comment sheets
- Tim (?) will be cookies and coffee, etc.