

**Esko Safe Routes To School
Meeting Summary
October 21, 2009 8:30a.m.-9:30a.m.**

Present: Kath Hammerlud, Cathy Erola, Aaron Fischer, Greg Hexum, Bill Gerard, Mary Siproth, Ruth Janke, Christina Walther, Joanne Erspamer, Ellen Pillsbury

1. SHIP

The meeting began with Joanne Erspamer, Carlton County Public Health introducing the SHIP and Active Living Communities Intervention and proposed a community meeting for November. The meeting will include a walkability assessment starting at 4pm with dinner and meeting starting at 5:30pm. Joanne then asked for names of people to invite.

Joanne will work with Christina and Ellen to advertise and plan the walkability assessment and meeting agenda.

- Article will go into the Esko corner
- Posters will be made
- Meeting will be held at the Town hall

The group discussed the SHIP opportunity to increase public awareness for active living and gain support for the midway division trail. With the goal to apply for enhancement and DNR trail funding next year.

2. SRTS activities

The group then focused on the SRTS plan and reviewed SRTS mini-grant opportunity. The committee will apply for a mini-grant and use the funds for student-created safety signs and spring time event.

- Christina and Ellen will meet next week to draft application and submit grant.

3. Next the committee reviewed the action step worksheet. Comments below:

- Add 1.6: Add directional signage at Winterquist parking lot access point
- Add events to raise awareness and educate i.e. mini-grant activities
- Review speed sign on Lincoln Ln-can it be lower?
- Trail easement requirement in sub-division regulation-a SHIP action item
- Ellen will find an example regulation

4. Next Steps:

- Prepare for SHIP community-wide meeting on Nov.16
- Apply for mini-grant
- Draft SRTS Plan document for initial review at a December meeting to be scheduled in November