

Bike Fitchburg Monthly Meeting  
Fitchburg Public Library  
Monday, April 23, 2018 @ 6:30PM

Attendees: Steve Arnold, Tony Hartmann, Bill Hauda, Joe Imilkowski, Angie Lucas, Kay Lum, Matthew Jones, Darryl Jordan, Thad Schumacher, Jennifer Ullman, Liz Veler

1. **Introductions:** Jennifer U. began the meeting at 6:30 PM.
2. **Approval of March 26, 2018 Minutes:** Minutes from the March 26, 2018 meeting were distributed.  
*Motion:* Steve A., 2<sup>nd</sup>: Matt J. to approve the minutes with minor edits. Motion carried.
3. **Events at Leopold Park Update:** (Liz Zimdars, Fitchburg Public Library Outreach & Chris Bauch, Saris)
  - A. Evening “**Leopold Neighborhood Community Nights**” Tuesdays 5-7pm, June 19-July 31 (Weather-dependent).
  - B. Need for bike racks at Leopold Park: currently there are none.
    - i. There are 2 or 3 good locations for bike racks at Leopold Park
      - a. Many options and price ranges to consider; freestanding vs. concrete pad.
      - b. Some racks that fit Madison city standard are usable on both (\$500 for 6-bike).
    - ii. Add a bike repair stand at the intersection at the Cannonball Trail as well (\$1200-1500).
    - iii. It’s possible to add branding/decals on the infrastructure to promote sponsors who contribute to the cost.
    - iv. This season: utilize temporary (and free) “wheel bender” option from UW; look into Madison Parks budget for permanent solutions in the years to come.
    - v. Also mentioned was the bulk purchase of Fitchburg-branded racks for installation throughout the city.
  - C. Looking into bike & helmet distribution at the park. (Free Bikes 4 Kids or Wheels for Winners) – Jennifer
    - i. AmFam Childrens hospital is donating bike helmets! Steve & Matt will help fit at event.
4. **El Tour de la Familia Latina:** (Baltazar De Anda)
  - A. Goal: To increase families of color ridership in the city of Madison by bringing community members to trails/places/spaces where otherwise they might not have the opportunity to see or participate.
  - B. Third Saturday of the month (10am summer, 1pm winter), Slow roll, different routes.
  - C. May ride will be going on Cannonball to Fitchburg
  - D. Always welcome/ways we can help: funds to rent uhaul, bring snacks, bring technical support, bring more bikers
5. **Treasurer’s Report:** (Jennifer) Current checking balance \$465.37. Current savings balance \$50. (UWCU)
  - A. **990ez filing:** Had dinner as a “thank you for assistance” with Gary Berger and his wife.
  - B. **Donation tracker:** Still working on it (excel file and letters for proof of donations)
6. **Old Business**
  - A. **Strategic Business Plan:** still TBD; considering a winter weekend half day “retreat” to work on building a plan.
  - B. **Fitchburg Bicycle Parking Census:** (Steve A.) Photos and Logs are due ASAP. <http://opencyclemap.org>
  - C. **Recap of Bicycle Advocacy 2.0 Meeting at Café Domestique:** (Matthew J./Steve A.)
    - i. Bike Summit is May 5<sup>th</sup> in Madison. Looking to re-organize to increase power and geographical diversity.
    - ii. Re-organizing into a bicameral structure: upper house is 72 County Directors, lower house is representatives from every bike organization in the state.
    - iii. Also factoring in a caucus of elected officials and a business council of non-bicycle-industry companies.
  - D. **Website/Social Media:** Some content updates recently; Article on parking census to be written by Steve A.
    - i. Think about putting together a newsletter & mailing list?
  - E. **CORP/Boys & Girls Club Activity:** (Matt J.) There was confusion in emails but things are now moving forward.
  - F. **Oregon Rotary Trail Connection:** (Bill H.) Status report; plans are being made to connect Oregon to Badger.
  - G. **Wendt Road Trail Head/Old Fitchburg Station** (Bill H.): Depot park may move to CTH M area.
  - H. **Fitchburg Festival of Speed** (July 7): <http://www.fitchburgfestivalofspeed.com>
  - I. **Chicago Cyclists** (August 17-19): Jennifer U. will follow up with Sharon and with the Chamber for planning.
  - J. **Pick Me Up at the Border Ride 2018:** (Matt J., Steve A., Tony A.) Considering 7pm start time this year.
7. **New Business**
  - A. **Fitchburg City Anniversary Event** (April 24)
  - B. **Madison Bike Week:** (June 4-9) Commuter station at roundabout?
  - C. **Church at Christ Memorial Bike Ride:** Approached by church members to lead a ride. Will make arrangements.
  - D. **Intern Request, Membership Coordinator Role:** (Matt J., Steve A.) Tabled until next meeting.
  - E. **Fitchburg Bicycle Committee:** <https://www.fitchburgwi.gov/2487/Bicycle-Committee>
  - F. **Bicycle Friendly Community:** Fitchburg must re-apply for certification in 2019. Committee is being formed.
8. **Next Meeting:** May 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held in the large meeting room at Fitchburg Public Library.
9. **Meeting Adjourned:** 8:54 PM *Motion:* Steve A., 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joseph I.