

Bike Fitchburg Monthly Meeting
Fitchburg Public Library
Monday, January 22, 2018 @ 6:30PM

Attendees: Steve Arnold, Bill Hauda, Joe Imilkowski, Matthew Jones, Darryl Jordan, Kay Lum, Jennifer Ullman, Liz Veler

1. **Introductions:** Jennifer U. began the meeting at 6:30 PM.
2. **Approval of December 2017 (January 8, 2018) Minutes:** Minutes from the January 8, 2018 meeting were distributed.
 - A. *Motion:* Steve, 2nd: Matthew to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Current balance \$313.37. \$75.00 paid to Fitchburg Chamber for anniversary event. \$345.00 donated towards Matthew's birthday fundraiser. Matthew received check for \$70.00 towards the fundraiser.
4. **Old Business**
 - A. **501c3 donation/receipt process:** Jennifer reviewed inputs and ideas received from Gary Berger. Jennifer is working on a process. All agreed to keep the process simple.
 - B. **McKee Road Reconstruction:** Commerce Drive east to Seminole Highway
 - i. Bike Fitchburg had supported the option including buffered bike lanes & a multiuse path.
 - ii. A previously undiscussed option of multiuse paths on both sides, and NO bike lanes, ended up being approved by the council (costs less, less eminent domain/acquisition of right of way). Transit and Transportation Commission and Public Works support this option which is unsafe for cyclists and either forces high speed cycle traffic into the road (traffic lanes) or interactions with much slower pedestrian traffic.
 - iii. Matthew and Steve met with Grant Foster from Madison Bikes, who believes we should support a signalized prioritized cycle track (raised along intersections).
 - iv. Looking for best practices and proper treatments for all options that may still be on the table.
 - v. Subcommittee (Steve, Matthew, Darryl) is meeting immediately after the BF meeting tonight.
 - C. **Chicago Cyclists**
 - i. In the past a Chicago cycling club has spent a weekend in Fitchburg doing day trip/rides in the area; asking for support and local ride leaders who know the area's bike trails (Steve and Matthew).
 - ii. They pay their own expenses including local hotel stays and group dinners at local restaurants.
 - iii. Received reply from Sharon; proposed weekend is August 17-19 (long ride Saturday August 18).
7. **New Business:**
 - A. **City Snapshot/Placesforbikes:**
 - i. Rating system sponsored by bicycle industry lobbying (peopleforbikes); emphasis on infrastructure: streets/segments/bike lanes, bike events, injuries, etc.
 - ii. Steve submitted the paperwork last week.
 - B. **CORP Mountain Biking Clinic:**
 - i. John Augsberger (CORP VP) wants to host B&GC kids at Seminole MTB trails; possibly June/July.
 - ii. Bike safety, bike/helmet availability, bike check, rides, snacks/lunch at B&GC.
 - iii. Looking to get corporate sponsors for donations.
 - C. **Bicycle Parking Survey:**
 - i. Placesforbikes recommends to count and update commercial/public bike parking on a yearly basis.
 - ii. Partner w/ Chamber of Commerce. Yearly survey in November/December, but get baseline data now.
 - iii. Work with the city to write rules for cooperative bike parking program with business owners (city coordinates work and other expenses, business owners pay for rack itself).
 - iv. Utilize OpenStreets GIS Bike Network Analysis (BNA) for tracking this information.
8. **Next Meeting:** Feb. 26th meeting will be held in the small meeting room at Fitchburg Public Library.
9. **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:36 PM *Motion:* Matthew, 2nd: Darryl