

**COMOX VALLEY CYCLING COALITION**  
Monthly Cycling Coalition Meeting - MINUTES  
**Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.**

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**Present:** Marg Harris, Terry Bourque, Julia Painchaud, Angela Dawson, Angela Holmes, Steve Allen, Judy Loukras

**Agenda was approved as written**

**Acceptance of Minutes** Angela Holmes moved and Angela Dawson seconded that the Minutes from May accepted as written. Motion passed

**Financial Report** - Julia – See attached.

In summary: \$ 375 has been transferred from Paypal for memberships since June 3  
\$555 of funds used to pay our portion of insurance for BCCC

**Future Expenses** - Discussion re honorarium for instructors

- ✓ Judy to review Society's act re balances and percentages that we can carry at the end of the year. She will check on what needs to be done and how they need to be accepted for compliance with society's act
- ✓ We have submitted annual report and made payment to society's Act account.
- ✓ Marg to look back for initial Society Bylaws and will bring forward new bylaws, bring to the board for presentation at AGM.
- ✓ Judy will be researching a City of Courtenay grant of \$1500 for Community groups.

**Membership** -Steve noted that membership numbers remain the same.

**Communication:** Discussion held re the letter drafted by Steve in response to a Beefs and Bouquet's remark about cyclists needing road skills.

**Education Committee** – A schedule has been set up for the autumn

- ✓ In 2018 300 children completed our cycling skills courses (rodeos) and since its inception, 3400 children have completed the course.
- ✓ A recent adult skills course taught by Nancy and Dylan Gothard had 6 participants and good feedback was received from them.
- ✓ Elder college is interested in adding a cycling course in the spring
- ✓ Angela to inquire with the Victoria Bike to Work society as to future 2 day Instructor training courses (Train the trainer course)
- ✓ Angela reported that we received earnings of \$510 as well as additions 130 memberships from the adult education courses.

**Integrated Regional Transportation Select Committee (IRTSC)** Angela

- ✓ Next meeting July 17 will be a progress update from Comox Valley Regional District (CVRD) staff to the Committee. Angela will report back from that meeting via email as there is no. She noted that at this time the committee is focused on the Dyke Road multi use path, however, the various stakeholders have yet to be consulted.
- ✓ She will monitor what happens on the 17<sup>th</sup> and report back to the board.

**British Columbia Cycling Coalition (BCCCo)**

Andy Telford has sent out the introduction of the Transportation report asking Marg and Chris for feedback but as yet the full report is not available.

[Cycling Network plan consultation is scheduled for June 8th open house was held on June 19<sup>th</sup> and survey](#)

Marg noticed that there was a great deal of

Need to send link out to membership with some notes about the impact of bridge and the need to look for other alternatives to widening bridges and roads

Small projects could go ahead as they do not require big projects focus on transit, cycle and pedestrian transit

Angela to send Brian an email requesting that he advise members about the importance of voicing the need for cycling infra structure and encourage them to complete the Transportation survey.

It will be important for us to have a presence at the presentation of the survey results to Courtenay city council in Mid August.

### **Special Events**

- ✓ Canadian Day parade and practice sessions
- ✓ Bicycle racks for the:
  - Yana ride
  - Music fest
  - Filberg festival
  - Petite fondo
  - Kus kus sum
  - Farm cycle tour CVCCo role. The tour is being spearheaded by Economic development on Sept 23, and there is a new person, handling the event. They have asked if are we willing to do registration route planning once farms that will be participating have been identified. We have suggested that they deliver signage to farms a few days ahead rather than having volunteers take them out the evening before the event.
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**Newsletter** - Terry has asked Angela to take pictures of the practices and parade. Hopefully, Gladys Schmidt will be submitting an article in August.

### **Communication**

Welcome Wagon has requested cycling maps. Because of the limited number in print, we directed them to send folks to the local Bike Shop. This may be a very good opportunity for us to get information to newcomers in the valley regarding the coalition, our function and our cycling skills courses.

Email from Judy re a Question that she was asked as to whether or not a person on an electric assist bike should they be allowed on multi use paths This is not actually an issue about e bikes but rather one of cyclist courtesy. Discussion resulted about whether we should consider having cycling skills courses for electric bikes. Marg will speak to other coalition groups to see if and how they do this. There is currently an e bike education course being offered in Victoria.

**Questions for candidates for civic elections** - We will request that Brian send out the questions that we formulated for the last municipal election and assess how we might like to modify them. Angela Holmes will add some potential questions.

The recent article by Norm Reynolds regarding sustainability is very relevant to us and will be joined by a Link on our website

**Next meeting** - August 23<sup>rd</sup>.