

Comox Valley Cycling Coalition Monthly Board Meeting - MINUTES

Virtual Meeting – via Zoom

Thursday Jan 28, 2021 7:00pm

Attending Board Members: Lawrence Vea, Chris Bowman, Mike Keohane, Susan Lang, Brian Schoneberg, Jay Van Oostdam

Regrets: Jude Loukras, Rhonda Ryan

Guests:

1. Call to Order 7:00 pm

2. Welcome and Introductions

3. Additional Agenda Items

- none

4. Approval of Minutes (Nov 26, 2020 monthly meeting)

Moved by Chris, second by Brian, all in favor.

5. Business:

1. Financial Report / Grants – Jude

- Report attached to minutes

2. Membership Report – Susan/Brian

- Membership report attached
- Discussion on new online reg'n (Wordpress vs Squarespace) and Paypal

3. Social Media/Blog – Brian, Jude, Mike

- Groupspaces end of service April 2021. Looks like Nation Builder or Wild Apricot are main options – both are selling apps and are ~\$200/yr
- Isfeld Eco Fair 30 Sec Video request. Lawrence to contact Sue Vince about possibly producing a short video.

4. Education Committee Report –

- Bike Rodeo Coordinator - Lawrence
 - Lauren Lan taking it on. She is Interested in possibly adding a bike skills course (1 day before rodeo)
 - Ben Chaddock is organizing iRide – Chris can connect him with Lauren if she wants
- Bike Rodeos Schedule – Lawrence
 - Still uncertain if going ahead?
- Bluetooth Communication Tools
 - No progress

5. Infrastructure Advocacy

- Bike Counters

- Mike to speak with CVRD about whether they have any interest in a joint purchase of a multi mode counter for pedestrian/cyclist counts. Perhaps have Urban Systems draw up a suggested location and time interval count plan for machine and in person counts going forward as part of the ATNP? Will inquire and bring back to board.
- Other Active Transportation Groups
 - Communication improvements with groups such as Accessibility Advisory Ctte, Road Runners, etc who are also key users of active transportation. If we can garner support from more groups/people it has more weight with municipal governments.
- Komox First Nations
 - Lawrence to send a letter to let them know about our advocacy in Valley and we would like to meet to understand their needs. Also ask if they have any thoughts how to solve dangerous part of Condorsy Rd.
- Meeting with CoC Councillors Dec 21/20
 - Councilors worried about budget issues. Expressed our dismay at lack of communication that this item was even coming to council let alone that it would be voted on and a width set in stone that night. Need 5 votes to re-open the issue, seems unlikely to gather the political will at this point.
- CoC Council Presentation re 6th St Bridge - Jan 18 2021
 - Mike/Lawrence presented to council in hopes of having them re-think the 4m bridge width they voted on Dec 9.
 - Received well but Clr Theos questioned the general legitimacy of the active transportation counts from 2019. Cole-Hamilton said he supports Dan Casey's recommendation of 3.5-4m width (Urban Systems Report) as they wrote the book on AT. Hillian suggested we fund raise to get a wider bridge.
 - Follow up meeting with Chris Davidson Jan 25 went ok. We laid out why we felt our engagement with them was lip service. He didn't apologize but said he would like to have frank meetings with us more often. He can't change council recommendation for 4m bridge deck and within 1-2 months they will be spending structural engineering design money that needs a specific width so we don't have much time to change width without costing us some money.
- Cumberland Presentation
 - No date for our delegation yet. February?
- CVRD Regional Active Transportation Network Plan (ATNP)
 - Report from Urban Systems due end of March
 - Survey out and map open for comments until Feb 16 only
 - Need a login first, can be clunky...
 - Virtual Open Houses in Feb and March, encourage members to fill out survey, map issues and attend town hall meetings.
- Meeting with Accessibility Ctte Jan 28
 - Mike met with them to outline bridge width concerns.
 - They are working on getting some admin help so they can respond to

matters of importance like the bridge at 6th St. We offered to try and contact them if other matters affecting them came along.

- Bike Sales in Valley
 - o Bike stores not providing requested data
- Strava and ICBC Data
 - o Gregg getting some ICBC data
- IRTSC – disbanded with formation of ATNP
 - o No news
- 6th St Multi-modal Bridge
 - o See above. Continue with meetings in attempt to convince council to change design width to minimum 4.8m.

Other Business

- Criminal Record Checks for Volunteers
 - o On hold for now with bike rodeos delayed
- Mapping
 - o Mike signed up for bikemap.org seminar Feb 12
- AGM
 - o Thursday March 11, 2021
 - o Virtual format, quorum of 3 required
 - o Practice session March 4?
 - o Board Positions
 - o Mike to check with Jay at CVRR wrt setting up the Zoom AGM (he did Road Runners AGM)
- Bike Sense Booklet
 - o Marg will volunteer to review booklet
- Meeting Dates
 - o Proposed meeting dates for 2021 are: January 28, February 25, AGM March 11, March 25, April 22, May 27, June 24, July 22? , August 26, September 23, October 28, November 25

6. Additional Agenda items added

7. Upcoming Events

- o Apr 13 Bike Rodeo?
- o Apr 20 Brooklyn Elem Bike Rodeo
- o May 4 Courtenay Elem Bike Rodeo
- o May 11 Queneesh Elem Bike Rodeo

8. Round Table

9. Adjournment – 9:00 pm

- Moved by Mike, seconded by Jay – all in favor

Next Meeting: Feb 25, 2021 via Zoom, 7PM

Regular CVCCo meetings 2021: January 28, February 25, *AGM March 11*, March 25, April 22, May 27, June 24, July 22? , August 26, September 23, October 28, November 25

Membership Report (Susan)

Steve continues to help me with the membership duties. Between us, we have contacted 6 bike shops: Comox Bike Company, Black's Cycle, Beaufort Cycles and Trail Bicycles have all renewed/taken out memberships and will offer members a 10 % discount on parts and accessories. Amped Rides plans to renew.

The owner of Mountain City Cycles prefers not to participate in the 10% discount program but paid the business membership fee and suggested that it be considered a donation.

Including the bike shops there are 46 members on the 2021 list so far. In 2020 there were 118 members. All ideas for encouraging renewals/ new members welcomed!

Finance Report (Jude)

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Financial Report

Submitted by Jude Loukras
December 31, 2020 Year End

	Current Month	Year to Date	Balance
Opening Balance			\$14,826.77
Income			
Membership		\$1,015.00	
Interest		\$0.84	
Bike Lockup			
Education Sales		\$150.00	
CCCTS donations			
Grants			
CVRD		\$650.00	
City of Courtenay			
School board			
Total Income	\$0.00	\$1,815.84	\$1,815.84
Expenses			
BCCC Membership/insurance/fees		\$1,153.40	
Office/Meeting/Website		\$674.62	
Bike lockups			
Bike Rodeos/Education/trailer		\$1,313.73	
Grants Expenses			
City of Courtenay, Promotion			
CVRD, Bike Racks/Signs		\$804.24	
School board, Rodeo Coordinator		\$2,800.00	
Paul Bally Fund			
Go by bike Fund			
Other expenses		\$118.08	
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$6,864.07	\$6,864.07
Closing Balance			\$9,778.54
Pre assigned funds (remaining balance)			
	Paul Baily fund		\$0.00
	SD #71 Rodeo Coordinator		\$1,200.00
	Go by Bike		\$196.01
	City of Courtenay Grant		\$1,683.61
	CVRD Grant		\$1,045.76
	CCCTS Grant		
Total Pre-assigned funds			\$4,125.38
Funds Available			\$5,653.16