

COMOX VALLEY CYCLING COALITION - MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, April 28, 2022 - 7:00 pm

Virtual Meeting via "Zoom"

Minutes

Board Members: Chris Bowman, Lawrence Vea, Brian Schoneberg, Jude Loukras., Mike Keohane, Grant Watson, Spencer Cappallo

Guests:

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Additional Agenda Items
 - a. Request for tent for Cumby Trail Race
 - b. Possible funding for Regional Parks and Greenways
 - c. Discussion of possible in-person event/s
4. Approval of Prior Minutes - moved and carried
- 5 Business:
 - **Financial Report / Grants** - Jude to be added (Jude)
 - No report at this time
 - End March Current balance \$18,060.56 (much already allocated)
 - BCCC Community Cycling Grant - Digital marketing Consultant
 - o Awaiting stats and results
 - o Report to be published for May
 - o Request comments and suggestions from board and others
 - CVRD Community Grant - \$2000 Mapping Project approved (Mapping item later in agenda for discussion)
 - o Awaiting announcement from CVRD
 - **Membership Report**
 - Update on number of members (Brian)
 - o 96 Current Members / 156 on mailing list / 24 New 2022 Members
 - Discussion re: QR Codes, posters and point of sale tools (on phone)
 - o Posters to be printed and placed in LBS and Coffee shops
 - Small run / one offs possible otherwise a cost involved for large format
 - **Social Media/Blog/ Website**
 - Update on FB and website activity
 - Awaiting report on FB Insta activity
 - Little traffic to website
 - Newsworthy items (CV Record or radio?)
 - Looking for input, suggestions.

- Do we need to rework or update our brand?
 - Discussion but no decision. To be looked at in the future
 - Some recognition has been made by schools and council
- **Education Committee Report**
 - Past courses filled quickly, but this year no one has signed up.
 - May consider in person course.
 - **Jude** - discussion with instructor group on way ahead.
 - Adult Courses – Timing, any resources needed?
 - Discussed by no decision
 - School Cycling Program Spring (see schedule below)
 - Teachers / Parents / Student very happy with the events
 - Volunteers still needed for rodeos
 - Bike/Equipment Inventory (one missing/stolen and need for some larger bikes?)
 - Bike will not be reported as stolen
 - More bikes are not required at this time
 - Adapter for trailer hitch purchased
 - **Mike / Lauren** - will request parent volunteers.
- **Infrastructure**
 - Mike working on creating a spreadsheet list for all CV projects. Will be a large job but something that is certainly worthwhile. Hopefully we can put a list on our website – we do get inquiries about certain areas quite often.
 - Discussed
- **Other Business**
 - How to handle incoming requests to send info to our members/contact lists?
 - Discussed - email will be fwd to Mike, he will decide on course of action
 - Cycling Map Discussion – we have a \$2000 grant, where do we want to go with this? Reply from Tanya Massa at Tourism VI?
 - Tourism VI not interested in participating.
 - Funds available for digital development.
 - **Mike** - will seek funding from Tourism VI.
 - **Chris/Mike/Grant** - will engage with designer.
 - Serious Incident Report highway 19A– issue of dangerous shoulders vs no shoulders
 - **Mike** - draft response to MOTI - default to pave the shoulder along with the lanes. Response required to ensure cyclist safety.
 - Interests and Skills of Board Members – let **Mike** know if you have any area you are passionate about
 - Secretary for May meeting?
 - **Spencer**

6. Additional Agenda items added

- Cumby Trail Race - request tent
- Regional Parks and Greenways - between communities
 - CVRD Money may be available for use in development.
- Discussion wrt in-person event -
 - Tweed Ride / Group Ride / Kid Ride / Lazo Loop
 - Speaker Series
 - Bike Packing route (Gregg Strong)

7. Upcoming Events

- School Cycling Program (day 1 skills, day 2 rodeo and group ride)
 - Aspen -April 12/13
 - Airport – April 19/20
 - Huband – April 26/27
 - Hornby – May 3 (note, compressed to one day)
- Bike Rack Events (see schedule at end, need some volunteers)
 - See attached

8. Round Table

Spencer

- suggests reaching out to Village of Cumberland wrt Active Transportation (Mike)

- Regional District Ebike share being investigated by Transit Committee

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9. Adjournment

Moved and carried

Next Meeting: May 26, 2022

Regular CVCCo Meetings 2022: June 30, July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27, November 24,

Bike Racks – Dates to Remember

Snow to Surf

May 1, 2022 Brian to handle this one. Supply racks for transition zone to road bike leg at Comox Lake Campground

Cumberland Market Day

Saturday May 21, 2022 – times? Spencer has reserved us a spot, will need the tent, tables, etc and some additional volunteers to help promote CVCCo and sell entice membership sign up.

Healthy Comox Event

Sunday, May 29th, 1:00pm to 3:30pm (Setup time: 12pm to 1pm)
Filberg Heritage Lodge & Park, Comox (in front of the Rotary Stage)
They would like a bike rack or two

Musicfest - Bike Racks

Jul 8, 2022 - Jul 11, 2022

Steve Allen will pick up equipment Wed before and return on Monday. Donations split between CVCCo and MusicFest. Will check with Steve if he needs any volunteer help.

Heart of Downtown (market)

Jul 16, 2022

Brian will handle, but nice if someone can stop by for him to take a break.

Filberg Festival

Jul 29, 2022 - Aug 1, 2022

Will require approx 20 volunteers. Brian will be sending out emails end May. Slots fill quickly, so put your name in soonest.

We usually get "Volunteer" passes for all those that participate.

Infrastructure Projects

I. Courtenay

- a. McPhee Meadows Park – in planning stages for 2022, comments submitted
- b. E-W Courtenay Connection (Tunner Rd) – waiting on budget approval Apr 30 to fund option review. Requires Ducks Unlimited land acquisition and crossing of Hwy 19A Bypass
- c. 801 Ryan Rd and Courtenay Hotel (498 OIH) – project developments under review, includes multi-use pathway part of E-W Connector
- d. Courtenay Cycle Network Plan (CNP) update, council discussing in April, to be done by Urban Systems over the summer. Process being developed, we will be contacted as a major stakeholder. Should we send a note to council?
- e. 5th St Bridge to Ryan Rd Bike Lanes – suggestions submitted and mostly accepted. Construction expected in June 2022.

II. Comox

- a. Lazo Bike Lanes and multi-use Pathway - permitting ongoing, delayed somewhat but hopeful for 2022 construction
- b. Comox Ave bike lanes and new roundabout
- c. Bike lane upgrades to Balmoral and Beaufort to coincide with sewer line upgrades (2023-24?)

III. Cumberland

- a. Working on Active Transportation Master Plan
- b. Bevan Multi-use pathway (along Bevan Rd towards Dam)
- c. Better access to Comox Lake
- d. Regional parks greenways – connection to Courtenay
- e. Royston-Cumberland Railway, connection to town

IV. CVRD/MoTI

- a. Prioritizing projects from ATNP
- b. Knight Road widening – underway, completion expected for June
- c. Seal Bay Bates Rd parking lot upgrade – done late 2021 - sightlines, crosswalk and/or speed limit issues?

V. Other Projects

- a. Condensory Road – KFN letter
- b. Island Rail Corridor – legal action from Snaw-naw-as at Nanoose may be appealed in March 2023. Could have large implications on ICF land grants in corridor?