

COMOX VALLEY CYCLING COALITION - MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, June 22, 2023 7:00 pm

At Hakai Energy Board Room and Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

Board Members: Chris Bowman, Lawrence Vea, Brian Schoneberg, Mike Keohane, Grant Watson, Spencer Cappallo, Jenn Halldorson, Gregg Strong, Lisa Jackson

Present: Chris Bowman, Lawrence Vea, Brian Schoneberg, Mike Keohane, Grant Watson, Spencer Cappallo, Jenn Halldorson, Lisa Jackson

Guests:

1. Call to Order
3. Additional Agenda Items - None
4. Approval of Prior Minutes - May 25, 2023 moved Lawrence, seconded Grant, passed.

Business:

- **Financial Report / Grants**
 - Lisa made some mods to the financial statements for clarity. She will connect with CR community nursing office regarding their payment. She suggested that CVCC retain 15% of funds raised for a program (eg education) for general revenue.
 - Mike moved that surplus money from school district for cycling program be transferred into general revenue as well. Passed.
 - Paper copies of receipts, provide to Lisa please.
- **Membership Report - Brian**
 - 81 current members, 233 on email list.
 - Mike will draft an email to past members encouraging renewal.
 - Bike shops to help promote membership and ed courses.
- **Social Media/Blog/ Website**
 - Update on FB and website: info is being posted to promote Ride Right.
 - Brian cannot access Paypal system for receiving funds. He will discuss options with Lisa offline.
- **Education Committee Report**
 - Adult Courses

- We were successful on BCCC grant, set up to provide free courses to members for 2023. Some goes to pay instructors, some for advertising.
 - We are now offering 2 hour weekday evening course as well as 4 hour weekend full course. Intended to attract people who can't commit 4 hours. The shorter courses can be held in an evening. The long course will continue to be offered through Courtenay Rec. Will use the "pre-book and run the course when enough in the queue" model.
 - Poster developed to promote courses, will print and distribute to bike shops, etc. Need help spreading the word.
- School Cycling Program – Spring 2023
 - Brooklyn (Sep 19-21), Airport (Sep 26-27) and Aspen (Oct 3-5)
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f49a9ad2fa0f9cf8-cvcco2#/>

- **Events/Promotion**

- GoByBike Week event Tues May 29 @ NIC. Gregg, Margaret and Brian volunteered at our table.
- NIC orientation day on Sept 7 (Student's union and admin both very engaged)
- Rexpo @ CFB Comox Sept 9 (Mike) Its back on as Mike's wife will staff a table.
- "Sewing Day" proposal. Just a concept at this time.
- Bike Racks - Brian
 - Connectors arrived and pipe has been purchased. New racks ready for Nautical Days. We will have 15 units with 5 bike capacity each, once assembled.
 - CR is providing bike valet at Sunday Farmers Market
 - Upcoming events for bike racks:

Music Fest	July 14-16
Filberg Fest	Aug 4-6
Nautical Days	Aug 5-7
Yana Ride	Aug 20

 We need volunteers for the Filberg.
- Lisa: could we have a calendar on the website. Current site does not support this. We have an upcoming events page. Everyone is encouraged to submit items to Brian. Anyone can comment to blog post.

- **Mapping Project**

- Gregg has proposed a meeting to review 'coding' of routes in OSM. Grant is anxious to move forward using the recommended tags/procedures in the OSM and OpenCycleMap documentation. A meeting will be arranged ASAP to settle this. We will also engage Lester Jones via a conference call to ensure he can use our data and work out some details regarding the format of the printed map.

- **Infrastructure**

- MoTI work includes painting lines on Knight (wait on crew), 19A repaving (underway until June 30), top 2.5km of Mt Washington road repaving (Aug?)
- Comox – waiting on update of timing for Lazo Rd work.
- Courtenay – updated Cycling Network Plan was passed at May 31 council meeting. \$250k was allocated for 2023. The planning dept is open to hearing ideas for traffic calming on designated routes.
- Dingwall stairs work this fall/winter
- Comox/CVRD sewer line project postponed until spring 2024. Section along Lazo to sewer plant now being ditched (was to be bored). Plan to ditch along southbound lane of Lazo Rd to Brent Rd. This will affect some of the new shoulder on Lazo between Guthrie and Simba. Lazo Greenway is being worked on separately for most part and should not be affected.
- Bike Lane Maintenance in Courtenay: the line painting contractor will be in town July 1. Jurisdictions don't have proper equipment for cleaning.
- Bylaw complaints – eg: vehicles parking in bike lane. In Courtenay complaints should be sent to bylaw@courtenay.bc.ca. Lawrence suggests posting the bylaw email on social media so people can send photos of infractions. Brian will put something on our website.
- Spencer has a contact with expertise in rapid infrastructure development. He will forward contact info to Mike.
- Traffic light inductive vehicle sensors – need adjusting on sensitivity to bikes. Staff in Courtenay have responded to requests to do this with positive results.
- CVRD Active Transportation Plan seems to be stalled. Lawrence: their 3 high priorities are questionable. More engagement is needed.

- **Other Business**

- Lawrence asked what we have for bike shops to give to e-bike buyers to promote Ride Right. Posters are being made up. Mike is currently getting quotes from printers.

6. Additional Agenda items added

- Lisa: is anyone doing bike maintenance workshops? Broken Spoke has done this. Other groups were mentioned. Mike will talk to potential instructors.

7. Upcoming Events

- Board meetings on forth Thursday of month – Aug 24, Sept 28, Oct 26, Nov 23

8. Round Table

9. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday Aug 24, 7pm