

Bike Medina County
March 7, 2019
Buehler's River Styx Community Room
Medina

Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Vice president Tim Smith, Second Vice President Lynne Nawalaniec (Century Cycles), Tony Ratajczak (NOACA Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee), President Beth Schnabel, Treasurer Suzanne Swain (Friends of Medina County Parks), Keith Rasey, Glen Wojciak (The Post Newspapers), John Watkins (Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District)

Call to Order

Tim called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Tony motioned for the minutes from Feb. 7 to be approved. Suzanne seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Suzanne reported a balance of \$4,298.74, the same as last month. Suzanne and Robin continue to pursue options for a credit card.

Old Business

Tim suggested a debit card based on the money Bike Medina County has on deposit. Suzanne received a letter from the attorney general on a report we need to file. Keith said he would meet with Suzanne, look it over and respond to it. Beth talked about the 3-foot-rule sign map. There was discussion about where trails would be marked. She talked about Lynne, Katie Sieb and herself going over NOACA'S new county bike map and possibly adding the locations of the 3-foot-rule signs. Maybe do it on the next map.

Keith made a motion and Lynne made a second to write letters to the townships to thank them for working with us and installing the signs. Motion passed.

Beth discussed that Medina was still waiting for ODOT to OK the routes. She also talked about Earth Day coming up and needed folks to staff the booth. She also mentioned the Twin Sizzler was on July 4. Tim might be able to help in the morning. Suzanne mentioned having maps and flyers for the Lake to Lake Tour ready to hand out at the event.

Lynne and Suzanne talked about a raffle at Earth Day and making cookies in the shape of bicycles. Flyers were being printed.

Tony brought out the idea of concentrating on having places for bike racks. He would like us to draft a letter that we could send to business owners and business property owners, especially restaurants, explaining the advantages of what bike racks could mean to their business attraction efforts.

New Business

We discussed participating on June 1 in the Kids Safety Day, Wadsworth Bike Safety event, and the Century Cycle Bike Ride and Pancake Breakfast event on March 10. Tim would staff the display with Beth coming in to set up the display and help with the booth. Keith talked with Dean Holman, president of the Brunswick Optimist Club, about doing a Bike Safety Day with the Optimist Club later this year.

Motion to donate \$50 to pay for the breakfast was made by Keith and seconded by Beth. Motion passed.

John Watkins from the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District gave a report on a blueprint they are working on that would include existing trails and future trails that could be built and connecting those routes to existing routes in Medina County. Document is on the website.

Keith discussed having another Bike Blessing event sometime this year.

Lynne went over plans for the 4th-Annual Lake to Lake Harvest Bike Ride that will take place Sept. 14 at Buckeye Woods. The first planning meeting for the event is March 18 at Panera on Pearl Road in Medina at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to come and help us plan.

Adjournment

With no other business before the committee, Keith moved to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Beth seconded. All voted in favor.

Next Meetings

April 4 (11:30 a.m.) at the Medina County Administration Building, May 2 (11:30 a.m.) at the Medina County Administration Building, June 6 (6 p.m.), July 11, Aug. 1, Sept. 1, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, Dec.5.

Submitted by Tim Smith