

**Bike Medina County**  
**Sept. 5, 2019**  
**Medina County District Library**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance**

Secretary John Gladden (Medina County Park District), President Beth Schnabel, First Vice President Tim Smith, Treasurer Suzanne Swain (Friends of Medina County Parks).

**Call to Order**

Tim called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Tony Ratajczak and Second Vice President Lynne Nawalaniec are both traveling and unable to attend.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the Aug. 1 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

Suzanne reported a balance of \$4,225.41. Funds from online registration for the Lake to Lake Harvest Tour are being automatically deposited into the account. The \$850 insurance premium for general liability coverage, as well as directors and officers coverage, has been paid. There are no outstanding bills.

**Old Business**

John reported insurance coverage is in place. He has a copy of the policy, should anyone wish to review it.

John reported he has reached out to Medina County Transit Director Shannon Rine to invite him to a Bike Medina County meeting, but they have not yet connected.

Tim reported he is continuing to work on obtaining yard signs to promote the Lake to Lake Tour.

**New Business**

Beth reported some villages and townships have requested additional 3-foot-rule signs. Montville Township asked for six to place at the entries to residential developments. Lodi requested two more signs and York Township requested three more. Beth said the last three signs she has on hand will go to Homer Township. She's reserving one sign to use in promotional displays. Wadsworth has yet to respond to Bike Medina County's offer of signs. Pat McNamara reported via email that the 10 signs issued to Brunswick will be in place soon. They will be attached to speed limit sign posts around the city. Beth shared a list of those locations.

There was discussion about whether or not BMC should invest in more signs. The consensus was not to order more at this time. If government entities wish to purchase additional signs, BMC will provide the contact information for the sign maker. Suzanne commended Beth for all her efforts on the sign project.

Beth asked Tim if he would be willing once again to take photos at the Lake to Lake Tour. Tim said he would. John noted that Lynne planned to ask retired Century Cycles Medina store manager Mike Petcher if he would be able to take pictures.

Beth reported Lynne asked her to follow up on the food for the Lake to Lake Tour, since Lynne would be out of town. Beth said Dominic's generously agreed to provide veggie pasta to serve 150 people and to donate \$100 toward the cost. Bike Medina County will pay \$80. Jimmie John's has generously agreed to provide eight sandwich platters to serve 150 people. Bike Medina County will purchase six platters at \$55 each and Jimmie John's will donate the remaining two platters.

Park district volunteers are providing 33 dozen cookies. Suzanne will arrange to pick them up. Suzanne is also seeking a donation of coffee and donuts from Dunkin Donuts. Yours Truly is donating bottled water, which will need to be picked up.

As of Sept. 1, there were 58 online registrations for the Lake to Lake Tour.

Beth shared maps for the 2019 Fall Foliage Tour, which takes place Oct. 12-13. It lists the location of a 3-foot-rule sign on Ballash Road as one of the tour attractions, helping raise driver awareness of the new law. It will be one of six or seven signs on this year's route. Beth confirmed the volunteer schedule for staffing the Bike Medina County information table on the tour.

Beth noted she would once again like to host a post-Lake-to-Lake-Tour gathering to celebrate another successful event. She is looking at scheduling it Sept. 28 or Oct. 5, depending on everyone's availability. Beth also would like to incorporate a bike ride into the festivities. John suggested meeting at the nearby Lester Rail Trail for a ride, then going to Beth's house afterward.

Because Bike Medina County's evening meetings have produced low attendance, there was consensus that the evening meetings should be eliminated for 2020 and all meetings should be held during the day. The one remaining 6 p.m. meeting on Dec. 5 will go on as scheduled.

Discussion carried over from last month's meeting regarding the Signature Square Plaza connector trail project that is now on hold. Suzanne suggested the possibility of creating a walkway along the state Route 18 bridge between Lake Medina and the plaza. John said he would find out the time frame for the proposed trail project that would cross the Summa campus and Chandler Wildlife Sanctuary, providing some linkage to Lake Medina.

### **Committee Reports**

None

### **Adjournment**

Suzanne moved to adjourn at 6:48 p.m.. Beth seconded. All voted in favor.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Oct. 3 at the Medina County Administration Building.