

Meeting Minutes

Bike Fitchburg (BF)

Monday, December 05, 2016 @ 6:45 PM @ Roman Candle Pizza - 2685 Research Park, Fitchburg

Attendees: Steve Arnold, Matthew Jones, Darryl Jordan, Joe Imilkowski, Jennifer Ullman, David Vogt, Gary Berger, Roger Perkins, Jessica Riphenburg, Bill Hauda, Tony Hartman, Sandra Stephens, Craig Wright, Thad Schumacher, Jennifer Kleckner, and Marisa Menzel.

Jennifer Ullman commenced the meeting and brief introductions were made. Meeting minutes were approved from October 2016. 1st: Matthew; 2nd: Darryl.

- Organization: Matt discussed that he was about ready to file for INC. and that the Articles of Inc. and that the Bylaws were under review from legal team (Stroud). Hopefully, by very early 2017 the organization will be officially meeting as a 501c.
- New Program: Matt discussed his meeting with Leopold Community School and Fitch Pub Library and the program to operate a bilingual bike rodeo, collect bike donations from local retailer, and offer weekly rides from the school to the library. Matt said that he hopes that it starts off slowly and then ramps up after seeing commitment from BF volunteers.
- New Project: Bill discussed the Old Fitchburg train depot and ideas/plans to recreate the facility from the 1800's to be used as a rest area and historical marker/ attraction. He explained interest coming from the local Historical Society and others. It will take a large fundraising campaign/ grant funding to rebuild the train station. Perhaps funding could include private sector local businesses such as Promega, Saris, Sub-Zero, etc...

- Property insurance: Maris M. and Jennifer K. discussed options for life insurance available to bicyclists through Wisconsin Financial
- Matthew discussed the 5 “E’s” of Bike Friendly Communities
 - Engineering
 - Education
 - Encouragement
 - Enforcement
 - Evaluation/planning
 - PLUS Equity
- Pick Me Up At The Border! Recap: Matt discussed the attendance and excitement that surrounded the midnight ride to the Illinois State line and that we were planning to do the ride again for BF in Fall of 2017.

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:10 PM. 1st: Matthew; 2nd: Darryl.