

Bike Fitchburg Monthly Meeting
Fitchburg Public Library
Monday, January 27, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Steve Arnold, Tony Hartmann, Darryl Jordan, Angie Lucas, Kay Lum, Jennifer Ullman (Telephone), Liz Veler

1. **Introductions:** Jennifer U. began the meeting at 6:32 p.m.
2. **Approval of December 2019 Minutes:**
 - A. **Motion** to accept the minutes as presented. 1st: Darryl J.; 2nd: Steve A. Motion passed.
3. **Treasurer's Report (Jennifer U.):**
 - A. Checking account balance and savings account balance are the same as reported in December.
 - B. **Treasurer Role & UWCU Accounts:** Steve A. volunteered to take over the position of Treasurer.
 - a. Jennifer U. has been in touch with UWCU. Bike Fitchburg board representatives will sign a document stating our wishes to add Steve A. to the account. We'll complete the paperwork at the Strategic Planning meeting.
 - b. **Motion** to Elect Steve A. as Treasurer of the Bike Fitchburg organization. 1st: Darryl J.; 2nd: Kay L.
 - i. Steve A. requested that we amend the motion to update our bylaws to specify that there shall be a treasurer, if they do not already state that explicitly. A reading of the bylaws revealed that the Treasurer is explicitly stated already.
 - ii. Steve A. would like to also make sure that "the treasurer" (not a person named outright) be a signatory on the Bank account(s). **Motion amended** to add the Treasurer as a signatory to the bank account(s).
 - iii. **Final Motion** to Elect Steve A. as Treasurer of the Bike Fitchburg organization, and add the Treasurer as a signatory to the organization's bank account(s). Motion passed.
4. **Old Business:**
 - A. **Website:**
 - a. A press release has gone out for the website. Jennifer U. commented that we should encourage use of the site.
 - b. There have been no recent changes to the site content, and no urgent changes yet to be made.
 - B. **Strategic Planning Meeting (February 8th 11 a.m.-4 p.m.):**
 - a. The meeting will take place at the Fitchburg Public Library Large Conference Room.
 - b. Our goal is to continue developing a list of priorities and mapping out a 3-year plan.
 - c. Robert Bohanan will facilitate again. He has put together an agenda and will have materials available. Jennifer U. and Matt J. are in touch with him regarding any other needs.
 - d. All Board members should come prepared with input and ideas, ready to brainstorm and talk.
 - e. Please review the documentation from the previous meeting beforehand. Please provide any input if you'll not be present at the upcoming meeting. Kay L. and Liz V. will be absent.
 - f. Other Details: casual dress; bring your own lunch or pay for your lunch order.
 - C. **2020 Pick-Me-Up at the Border:**
 - a. Steve A. submitted the ride information to the WI Bike Fed Ride Guide, with an option of up to 110 miles round-trip (to Freeport and back).
 - b. Matt J. will be promoting the ride to his local Illinois-area bike clubs. Kay L. suggested an option for Illinois riders to ride south-to-north. We should all use our networks to help recruit riders and volunteers.
 - c. Thad S. will be the ride director and will be able to designate responsibilities.
 - D. **North Fish Hatchery Neighborhood Hub:** Steve A. will be contacting Wade Thompson to get a status update.
5. **New Business:**
 - A. **Winter Bike to Work Day (February 14):** <https://www.winterbiketoworkday.org>
 - a. We have held a winter bike week commuter station at the bike roundabout in the past.
 - b. Steve A. could lead a similar event but would need commitments of help from 7-9 a.m. Steve A. and Kay L. are available *Tuesday February 11th*. Steve A. will look to solicit more volunteers for a potential event.
 - B. **League Certified Instructor (LCI):**
 - a. Fitchburg no longer has a resident LCI now that Matt J. has moved.
 - b. An LCI has the ability to lead a "smart cycling" course for bicycle safety.
 - c. The next local smart cycling course will be in March, and the LCI certification course will be offered over the course of a weekend in April at UW (4/17-4/19).
 - d. Requirements for an LCI are: [1] joining & maintaining membership in the League of American Bicyclists (\$40/year), [2] taking the smart cycling course, and [3] passing the LCI seminar/certification course (a 3-day, \$450 commitment).

- e. **Motion** to recruit and reimburse a person to take the certification course and become an LCI with the following stipulations: [1] the person must be a resident of Fitchburg, [2] the person will be reimbursed \$112.50 for each of a total of 4 smart cycling courses, to be held over the course of 2 years, [3] the person will enter a written agreement stating these terms. 1st: Steve A.; 2nd: Kay L. Motion passed.
 - C. **Fitchburg Bicycle Planning:**
 - a. Tony H. met with Mark Hamilton; they discussed that going for gold Bicycle Friendly Community rating requires a consistent effort over a long course of time.
 - b. City bicycle committee meeting frequency will be increased to at least 6 meetings per year.
 - c. We need an overall work plan to ensure coalition (City, BF, Chamber) has agreed on a vision. It'd be beneficial to have an annual meeting of representatives from all impacted groups.
 - D. **Candidate Questionnaires:** Steve A. will update the old Bike Fitchburg candidate questionnaire and mail it out to candidates for the upcoming local elections.
6. **Next Meeting: February 24th** at 6:30 p.m.
 7. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. **Motion** 1st: Jennifer U.; 2nd: Steve A.