

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 3, 2017

Number in Attendance: 26

Review and Approval of March Minutes: Motion passed.

Treasurer Report

Not much has changed; still sitting good

20th Anniversary

Dave has posters; pass around and everyone hang up wherever we can

Bobby will take care of passing around to the bike shops

Drew just added banner to webpage about the 20th Anniversary

Dave will be calling a planning meeting in the next couple of weeks

Trail reports - All closed

Sylvan Island – Kurt

- Kudos to Becky; liaison with City of Moline
- Island is not closed; we have access (via boat)
- Need to let city know when we access the trails; let Becky know and she can convey
- No commitment on date for bridge; obstacles out of the way so just waiting for bids
- Keeping abutments for bridge so will save time
- They want Forc to adopt (Adopt a Program) and be in charge of
- Everyone is in favor of doing
- Ray is spearheading; getting ahead of all the other groups so we can be in charge of the island
- Ray is thinking around 1400 hours for trail completion
- No chainsaws now, only hand tools
- We want trail system up and running before bridge is up
- Want to do a ribbon cutting ceremony

Stephens Park – appreciate the riding so far

Illiniwek – trails are close- hope to get period of 4 days w/o rain and to be able to open. Need some spring maintenance, leaf blowing, etc. Will post trail days in next week or so.

Dorrance – finished the bridge and first loop. Still too wet to ride. A few more trail days to get things buttoned/cleaned up. Hopefully, after Abermination will have official grand opening out there – invite all of Forc, Port Byron, River Action, etc. Tentatively May 7th (Sunday – late morning). Trail will be 3 ½ - 4 miles when done.

Westbrook – coming to end of 203 – finish once get dry weather and starting last loop of 204 then. Should be 6 ½ - 7 miles when complete.

Scott County – new ranger; doing some maintenance on areas of erosion.

Geneseo – Rode last night – was wet, but not muddy; probably too wet today. Almost 3 miles of trail. In contact with city administrator; moving parking area off of 82 and moving to the entrance where the city currently burns (where sand pile is). City wants to redo the gate and the pedestrian access. Schnauffer wants input on a kiosk – Drew has drawings. Thinks the animals are going. He and Bobby talking about doing another ride to Geneseo and hitting the breweries; potentially later in May.

Sunderbruch – Jubilee is closed for the foreseeable future; bridge is falling apart – been deconstructed. Probably getting started on repairs after the Abermination. May be putting up some inexpensive signs at trail heads to remind people about when trails are closed, they are closed for everyone.

Spring Swap Meet

Good reviews

Noticed we didn't have outdoor clubs this year

Theatre did ok with beer sales... however, it was day after St. Paddy's day

Abermination

4/23 – mark your calendars

Mandy sending around volunteer list

Set up Sat 2:00 pm

Anyone interested in camping that weekend; Mandy will post up to see how many interested

Rudys will be out there for food

Fred/Amie will run course marshalling table

10 people signed up for race so far

Need help making medals; will post up a night for volunteers (80+ to make for all races)

Other events

Tim Nelson is getting Eddie Award this year; table is \$400 for 10

- Date is April 28th - Friday
- Mandy thinks Tim was getting a table
- \$45 for dinner; goes to Riveraction

100 mile gravel ride in late April or early May. Paul asked if anyone interested

Burlington has 4 miles of trails now – North Gorge

- Newest sections – had trail building crew come in and build everything; trails built with grants
- Layout looks good
- Bent River in downtown Burlington

New faces

Dale Belt, Dawn Bush, and Lori Matlick from Morrison II – Welcome!

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm