

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 5, 2017

Number in Attendance:

Review and Approval of May Minutes: Motion passed.

Trail reports:

Sunderbruch – couple of trail days last week for weedeating. Most of it done – a little on Jubilee yet and all of green. Berm bridge is reconstructed and done – go ride. Vonda is doing a group ride out there Wednesday at 5:30. Paul will be out there tomorrow if anyone wants to come out and help. Will still need a little work before the race in a few weeks; might shoot for the Saturday before (race setup and finishing any trail work).

Geneseo – trail ride; raised \$310 from the pass the hat; Jared from GBC gave us \$450 check. Need to build a kiosk; city talking about putting in the new parking lot – waiting on city for this before commit to putting up kiosk. Just spent 2 ½ hours mowing prairie grass yesterday. Trails are coming along – fair amount of sand. The fatter the tire, the better. Almost 3 miles.

Stephens – Bill said the city took an excavator through part of the trail; open with caution.

Scott County – Area 51 is weed eaten. Did a ride to clean up face slappers on south loop; not much on north loop yet. Mowed the Tarmac. Will grab old berm bridge lumber from Sunderbruch.

Illiniwek – working on trimming weeds on Tuesday this week; not much to be done; 5:30.

Dorrance – weed wacking and working on Thursday; a few places with a lot of nettles; 5:30. About 90% through clearing – probably ready to start building trail next week; Drew will post when ready. Grand opening – good press; a lot of people; thanks to those that came out to ride.

Westbrook – doing weed wacking; stopped 204 work now and will start back up in the fall.

Sylvan Island – bridge is still closed. Asked the city to open up the trail using chainsaws – they agreed to do it. Working on getting permission to use the bridge on trail days; going well, but parks department has to follow risk management. Will be quicker/easier to get access to bridge and get across for trail work. Taking our time; as soon as work starts on the bridge, will be taking it a lot more seriously. 90% same trail vs new. Mayor said they want open by Thanksgiving; Parks is being more optimistic. Favorable would have race next year.

Treasurer Report

\$13,800 currently

Spent about \$1400 for new berm bridge at Jubilee

Want to buy about \$1000 in tools for the trails – weed eaters, safety gear, chaps, helmets; also a chainsaw for Dorrance and Illiniwek. Motion to approve; seconded.

Neipert wants to get a couple of 4 foot FORC logos for the trailers; he will get quotes

20th Anniversary 2017

Dave brought in bottle opener as a sample

Mandy has t-shirts for sizes

Merchandise is in and registration is open
Corbin is working on food trucks

Miscellaneous

August membership meeting the 7th right after the Fest. Propose having the August meeting July 31st. Instead of July 3rd meeting, have a meeting July 10th out at Sunderbruch (trailrunners will be there); can grill out and have low key meeting.

Bobby introduced Rueben – owner of new restaurant “Rueben’s” around the corner
Opening set for July 14th. Will have a pump track. Love to have anybody’s input and help- getting 20 truckloads of dirt just for the track; will be on a volunteer basis. Will also have a sand volleyball court. Bike vendors so far – Felt and Rocky Mountain. He didn’t want to offer the same brands as everyone else. Will have demo out at Sunderbruch by Rocky Mountain. 429 E 3rd Street – the old Jaguar Alley. have a kitchen – serving brats, burgers, sides and salads. Sid – owns Raw and Bowls; working on specialties. Will have 30 beers on tap. Welcome everyone to stop by and take a look.

June 25th FORC side Thrill Ride – volunteer sheet; will have another weed eater day and probably have a trail day on the 24th for final cleanup and race setup. Waiting to get confirmation to see if can camp/stay overnight on Saturday. Everything else is taken care of for the race.

Carol Brown – article in the QC times about a website that one an award. QCTrails.org. They have mountain biking, etc.; has FORC listed and takes you to our webpage. Paul thinks they are using an old link – doesn’t have all of the trails listed. Job posting for liason for pedestrian/biking and the city.

Dave Brown – thanks Bobby for getting us on the BMX track. A lot of unfamiliar faces – thought it was cool to have the mix of people.

Bobby – this Thursday is Olympic night; can try out racing – can officially race your mountain bike. Just need long sleeves, pants, helmet. Races start at 5:30.

Criterium – thanks for everyone showing up. Thanks Paul for cooking and thanks to Lyle.

Mountain bike club in Burlington – the North Gorge. Are starting to do fundraiser. Bobby put up a bunch of Forc posters during the Snake Alley Ride.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm