

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

November 5, 2018

Number in Attendance: 20

Review and Approval of December Minutes: Motion passed.

Trail reports:

Stephens Park – above water but wet

Prairie Park - Soggy, but well mowed in. Grasses are dying back. Should be good for winter riding.

Might work on a spring Hennepin Canal ride. Eagle Scout is currently working on kiosk design for his project (got needed information from Drew); is currently working on getting material pricing. Drew says should cost around \$6-800.

Sylvan Island – above water; still some flooding on the one side. Has been blowing leaves off the trail – dries much faster. Shingle bridge needs some work following the flooding.

Dorrance – good trail day. Close to finishing remaining trail on black loop; goal to get done end of year.

Illiniwek – wet and leaf covered. Built new bridge that is used for race – RiverAction paid for half.

Westbrook – flooding. Lost log features. Looked today and 204/206 wet.

Scott County Park – great shape. Some new skinnies that Brad has built

Sunderbruch – good. New signage to reinforce no walking up Kickapoo Down, as well as for the Jumphline (Drew did artwork)

Marquette Trail Update

Plans are for a 2 ½-3 miles of trail (north of Kimberly Rd, past the post office on Marquette). Had meeting with Parks Dept, aldermen, neighbors, etc. for general questions/concerns. Nice to have a good FORC member turnout. Process is going well. Need to solidify bridge plans (about 20' span). City wants architect to sign off on Drew's design/drawings. Thinks this might cost a couple hundred. Once plans are signed, City wants to do a walk-thru and then they will send plans to City Council. City Council has 3 sessions to discuss. Once this is complete, we can move forward. Dan H. was wondering if we should offer sponsorships, etc. to raise money for trail maintenance, signs, etc. Andy and Mike discussed how donations would be much more advantageous rather than sponsorships where people/businesses are paying for advertising vs. a possible deductible contribution.

Race Director Nominations

Mike Corbin discussed how the transition is an easy one for this role. The races just flow from one year to the next. FORC has only been putting on two races in the past couple of years. No one has put their name in the hat to-date for nominations.

Upcoming Events

Global Fat Bike Day – Saturday, December 1st.

- Meet at noon at FSFH and picture/roll at 1:00
- Backup location may be Sylvan Island depending upon flooding at Credit Island

Chili Cook-off – Saturday, January 19th

- Will be held at The Stardust (no outside beers)

Frozen Fat Fondo Fest – Saturday, February 2nd

Bike Swap – potentially Sunday, March 10th at Village Theatre

Sylvan Island Stampede – Sunday, April 7th

Illiniwek Abermination – Sunday, May 5th (rain date May 19th)

Take a Kid Mountain Biking was cancelled due to weather. May try to put this on in the spring or summer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm