

FORC MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Van's Pizza – Brady St. Davenport, IA

April 29, 2019 - 6:40 pm

Number in Attendance: 12

Review and Approval of April Minutes: Motion passed.

Treasurer Report

- General Fund: \$21,500
- Sylvan Shelter Fund: \$11,980 – Need to set deadline to get this done.
- Need to spend general fund down to \$12-15K over next few years, allows \$3-6K additional spending per year given current projections
- Tracked Dumper possible expenditure (\$7300 estimated cost)
- Trail Volunteer shirts \$10 per shirt (nice dry wick shirts)
- Drew got clearance to install bike repair station at Illiniwek

Sylvan Island Stampede 11 Recap - 04.05.19

- 183 participants
- \$1900 netted from event
- Lots of compliments about organization of the event from participants, USAC officials, and through email. Nice work everyone!

Illiniwek Abermination 6 - 05.05.19

- Drew not too concerned about rain this week. Looks like there will be a few dry days late in the week and trails should be good by weekend.
- Saturday trail work starting at 9am: will be doing repair and course prep
- Rain date is June 2nd if unexpected weather rolls in.

Meeting Venue Changes

- Sunder Brunch - Sunday June 2nd at 10am - Monthly meeting at Sunderbruch, pancake breakfast, group rides after
- May need to reschedule Sunder Brunch if Abermination rain date goes into effect
- 5 Cities and Crawford Brewery are both interested in hosting our group meetings
- Plan to have more meetings at parks during summer

Group Rides – Vonda Leading the Effort

- Will be scheduled for Thursdays
- Local rides will be scheduled often and at most popular parks
- Monthly away rides to trails within 1-1.5 hr drive of QC (Peoria, Iowa City, Dubuque, etc)
- Bring back Time Trials for the year? Just need someone to coordinate.

Trail Reports

- *Sylvan Island* – City closed park due to high water, possibly over main bridge
- *Westbrook Park* – Lots of damage to 204 and 206 trails from flood waters. Dave will assess damage and report back to schedule workdays
- *Geneseo Prairie Park* – Sandy conditions have kept prairie areas dryer than most local trails. No updates on trail kiosk build at this time.
- *Illiniwek* – Good turnout at last weekend's trail day. Did a lot of trail drainage work on the upper south loop and installed rock features on the South Down (wood berm) trail. Trails should be in good shape for the Abern.
- Dog Park – 0.5 miles of cleared trail is rideable, need 50-75 man hours to complete first loop, trail day this Thursday 5/2 at 5:30-7:30pm
- *Stephens Park* - No report.
- *Sunderbruch* – No report.
- *Dorrance* – No report.
- *Scott County Park* – No report.

Special Projects

- *Tracked Power Dumper*
 - o Drew reports that previous Exelon grant written for this project was denied but working on a new grant for up to \$2500
 - o Have \$700 in funds raised for this machine and possible \$1000 commitment from member donor
 - o Total cost approx.. \$7350 (\$6750 for machine and \$600 freight charge)
 - o Mike will ask a Tugfest contact about grants for this project
- Birdies for charity may be a source of funding for future projects. Need to investigate for next year.
- *Sylvan Shelter*
 - o Need to set realistic deadline to hold ourselves accountable
 - o Paul proposed building shelter first and then pouring concrete pad at later time, may generate more interest from donors, setting concrete for corners would be relatively small/quick project and could get shelter erected shortly after.
 - o Additional funding ideas: donor bricks
 - o Will need ~5 yds of concrete for slab

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm