

Minutes for Thread City Cyclers

August 6, 2018, 7:00 PM
Generations Family Health Center
40 Mansfield Avenue, Willimantic, CT

Call to Order

This board meeting of Thread City Cyclers was held on August 6, 2018 at Generations Family Health Center, 40 Mansfield Ave., Willimantic, CT. The meeting was called to order by Larry Waksman at 7:05pm and was presided over by Larry Waksman.

Attendees

Voting Board members in attendance: Larry W., John H., Fran S., Paul B., Cindy B.,
Other members in attendance: Martin S.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting was made by Larry W. and seconded by John H. The minutes were approved unanimously by the board.

Treasurer's Report

- Given by John H.
- Current balance = \$11,702.85
- Treasurer anticipates \$700 more incoming from BikeReg for a total of \$12,402.85
- 8/7/2017 balance was \$10,659.02
- 2018 TCC Century Income = \$2934 with \$1098 for expenses. Total = \$1836

Ride Committee Report

- Last ride committee meeting 4/16/18 minutes reviewed by Fran S.
- Skill Workshops:
 - Ron to check calendar for dates
 - Possible topics discussed
 - Possible workshop leaders suggested
- Ride reports and stats
 - Reminder to ride leaders to report ride stats
 - Fran compiling data into a Google spreadsheet
 - Fran will link sheet to weekly MailChimp
- Default Rides: Ron to mark roads hopefully in the next 1 -2 weeks
- Saul's Birthday Ice Cream Ride scheduled for 6/23/18
- Buttonwoods Farms Ride scheduled for 8/4/18
- Ekonk Hill Turkey Farm ride scheduled for 8/11/18
- The ride committee has discussed and concluded that riding off the front of rides should be discouraged, and ride leaders have no obligation to chase down flyers

- The ride committee has discussed and concluded that TCC ride leaders may use crosswalks, crosswalk signals, and sidewalks to traverse busy intersections and other less safe areas
- Next meeting scheduled for 8/15/18

TCC Century

- Overall, feedback about the ride was excellent
- The TCC Board of Directors thanks everybody who contributed to our annual ride and helped to make it a success
- 102 cyclists registered; 98 rode
- ½ pre-registered via BikeReg
- \$800 to be divided evenly between Bike Mansfield and another organization to be determined by the board
- Route markings
 - 8 – 10 miles of Baltic Hanover-Versailles Road was not marked adequately
 - Not all markings were distinct
 - Marker placement discussion; ideas included
 - More consistency with placement
 - Multiple warnings before turns
 - Confirmation arrow before turns
 - Marker design discussed; ideas included
 - Simpler design
 - More prominent color
 - Different colors for different routes
- Discussion of how to handle Ferry rates

Community Engagement

- Windham Rec Center Bike Safety Day Saturday, 9/29/18
- Volunteers needed
- Announcement to be made in the weekly ride notice

2019 Board Membership

- Ride Committee Coordinator term limit is up after 2018
 - Discussion of recruitment for the position
 - Discussion of qualifications and job description
 - Discussion of possible candidates
 - What do we do if there are no candidates?
 - Discussion of a possible bylaw change to abolish term limit
 - Further discussion will take place among the board and a decision will be made at the September (8/27) meeting

Next Meeting

- August 27, 2018 to be held at Generations Family Health Center

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia M. Bean

Secretary
Thread City Cyclers

Date of Approval