

Redwood Coast Mountain Bike Association

October 2020 Minutes

Bec's house
October 5, 2020

I. Call to order: 6:52

II. Roll Call of Board Members present: Gina Bauer, Tai Morgan, Sean Tetrault, Travis James, Tom Phillips, Lacey Comer, Bec Law; Guests: Shaun Fyfe

III. Approval of Sept minutes: Motion made by Tom, seconded by Sean

IV. Officer's reports:

- a. Chair: 100 feet to end of climbing trail extension
- b. Co-Chair: As below. Crescent City working with Trail Labs on pump track. Yay!!!
- c. Treasurer: \$27854.26. The smiles per mile is amazing. Should we do post on expenses? Volunteer hours, cost of equipment, how much Dollywood cost so members get an idea. Can include in newsletter.

V. Prior Action Items:

- a. Gina made a post about new trail, thanking Green Diamond, members, and Shaggy.
- b. Sean T is keeping communication open with Equestrian Group.
- c. Sean T has with Shaun Fyfe and McKinleyville crew to delineate possible trail areas using map from Jimmy, next meeting Thursday, 10/8, at Bigfoot Taproom.
- d. Sean T to reach out to Green Diamond (Todd? Gary?) about pedal assist bikes in Blue Lake. In progress. Probably not the best time to ask for "more" given recent issue with Hatchery.
- e. Tom to get combos and access code to storage sent to Board so we can set up the unit. Tom?
- f. Tim D will continue to work with Pam on a Bill Lydgate Memorial. Gina thinks wait for the pump track in ACF so it's very visible and meaningful to his legacy.
- g. Gina sent Operations Document to Board for final vote, which was approved. Duties to be delineated at December meeting.
- h. Gina made a post about CalOre member benefits, resulting in a couple of memberships.
- i. Tai connected with Bob at County following Andrew's proposal. Bob has what he needs, will let us know when he needs more.
- j. Sean R will continue work with Boys and Girls Club to develop afterschool program. This is part of a bigger concept to formalize some grants to bring more money in to get bikes for kids. Sean R reports after first of year. See below.

VI. New Business:

- a. Boys and Girls Club Pump Track: Passed B&G Club board. It is on city owned property so insurance shouldn't be an issue, but if liability doesn't cover it city likely will. Sean T submitted design that includes pre-fab and dirt components. Great potential. Grants in process.
- b. Blue Lake Pump Track: Meet Thursday, 10/8, at Taylor Way to discuss design and next steps.

VII. Ongoing Business/Updates:

- a. GD Blue Lake: Hatchery parking issue. We are a contributing factor, but we are not the be all. 60 parking spots closed because hatchery is closed. Tom met with Gary and submitted a rebuttal letter. Newsletter should reiterate our intent to have members park in town and ride to gate, and always be Respectful Courteous Mountain Bike Ambassadors. Pearl willing to help update Blue Lake map (after Fortuna). Will continue to work with Noah. Reto will have more time once rainy season starts to help with building larger kiosk.
- b. GD McKay: As above
- c. GD McKinleyville: As above.
- d. Lacks: revamp/reroute Tom Foolery. Environmental document should be done this winter. Tom wants to find funding to help pay. Perhaps we could sell sponsor signs? Brainstorming session

with Fundraising Committee to come.

- e. Fortuna Bike Park: Per Pearl's email – Fortuna is all on board to move to next phase of improving the bike park that was started last year. Parks and Rec, City Engineer, local contractors, etc., all in for improving design, laying base, and potentially paving before the end of the year. Workday the weekend of the 10th using mostly machines. May need volunteers the following weekdays, evening hours. Pearl will make posts. Gina motions that the board donates up to \$1,500 at this time if funds are needed. Seconded by Sean, approved by board.
- f. Arcata Community Forest: Still hoping for environmental document by end of year to move forward. Much support from City Staff.
- g. HCMTB: Preseason starting mid-October. Tentative schedule:
 - 10/18 Ride - ACF
 - 10/25 Ride - Hatchery Ridge
 - 11/8 Ride - Bogstomp?/Lacks??
 - 11/17 Skills Day 1 - location TBD
 - 11/22 Thanksgiving Ride
- h. Group Workdays and Rides: Still no consensus on when/how/where to start workdays. Rainy season coming and people want to dig. All of Blue Lake can use some love. Perhaps Fortuna can use some help.
- i. Grants for kids: Sean R heading up with a focus after the beginning of the year.

VIII. Add-on agenda items:

- a. Newsletter: Dollywood recap, including expenditures (Tom); Leaf blower? (Gina); Measure A (Sean R); HCMTB (Sean R); McKay Trail Labs/Graphic/update (Tai); Other Bike Stuff/Crescent City (Lacey); ACF, Fortuna (Pearl); Fundraiser for HCMTB (Sean T); Board and Nomination Sub-committee positions (Gina). Membership numbers (Travis). Anything else? Please submit by 10/18, keeping write ups as brief and engaging as possible.
- b. Board elections: One open position, need to form a Nomination Committee and accept nominations through November. Voting to happen at December meeting, new board announced at January meeting (however that looks). To be announced in newsletter.

IX. Actions Items this Meeting:

- a. Sean and Shaun will meet with McKinleyville crew 10/8 about maps for GD property.
- b. When appropriate timing, Sean T will talk with Todd about pedal assist bike usage on their properties. Language will be included on signage updates.
- c. Tom will get lock and combo info to Board for storage.
- d. Tim will remain in contact with Pam and discuss waiting for ACF pump track to place a bench/workstation in a more visible area to honor Bill Lydgate.
- e. Sean R, Sean T, et al., will continue to work with Boys and Girls Club on bike-friendly area. Monica from B&G Club is submitting grant.
- f. Blue Lake pump track committee is meeting October 8th at site. Sean T drew up and distributed very basic design to use as selling point. Obviously, scaled map and design needed.
- g. Tom will follow up with Gary/GD following our response to Hatchery employee's letter.
- h. Pearl will help update Blue Lake map. Improved kiosk will be built this winter. Noah will make some maps. Perhaps existing kiosk can be moved to mid-mountain with a map.
- i. Pearl will head up Fortuna Bike Park update over the next couple of weeks. Board agrees to contribute up to \$1500 at this time for expenses.
- j. The Board will collectively produce the fall newsletter with article submissions due by 10/18. Gina will put newsletter together. See above for assignments.
- k. The Board will seek nominations of a new Board member. A Nomination Sub-Committee will be developed. Both will be announced in the newsletter. Nomination Sub-Committee members will be voted upon at November meeting. Nominations accepted through November. Must also be announced on social media.

X. Next Meeting time and date: New volunteer?

XI. Meeting Adjourned: 8:35pm