

RVA MORE Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date and Time of Meeting: 09/17/2014, 6:00 p.m.
Location: Reedy Creek Nature Center
Members Present: Greg Rollins, Clark Jones, Bruce Swanson, Josh Eager, Blake Puhak, Lisa Lambrecht, Mike Taliaferro
Members Absent: Mark Lindsey
Guests Present: Michael Burton – JRPS Trails Manager
Purpose of Meeting: Regular board meeting - see attached agenda.

Greg called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

BRUCE/FINANCIALS

Bruce reported that the proceeds from the Fat Growler bike raffle at the Spoke and Hop Fest were around \$2,120. Proceeds are supporting the funding of the Richmond Regional Ride Center.

Our current balance in the bank is just over \$33,000.

MICHAEL/JRPS NEWS

Trail Counters

Michael proposed that the club fund the purchase of two trail counters that would keep track of the number of users the park receives. One would be stationed on North Bank and the other on Buttermilk. These would replace two that the park had installed previously, one of which was stolen and one of which was destroyed by rain due to improper installation. Cost for the two trail counters is approximately \$725. A motion was made and approved for this purchase.

Pump Track/Irrigation

We are no longer pursuing an irrigation solution for the pump track due to the myriad challenges presented by the island. The current plan is to move the small pump track out from under the bridge so that it would be located in an area that receives rain water. In lieu of allocating funds to an irrigation system, the thought process now is to shift those monies to start funding a progressive bike ramp/wooden features skills area where the current small pump track resides. These wooden features are prebuilt, modular features that are cemented in place. The investment in total would be \$35-\$50K.

Trail Work

Michael is hoping to finish the Reedy Creek water crossing in the next week. At this time, the thought is to hold off on advocating for a replacement bridge and see how the re-route holds up.

Regular trail work is to resume on October 11, 2014 in Forest Hill Park. There are four reroutes planned in FHP in addition to the reworking of Bill's Hill on North Bank and the scouting of some additional property for trails. A volunteer group with the park will be working on a rebenching and tree planting project for two switchbacks above Crankey's bridge in FHP.

GREG

IMBA Summit

Greg attended the IMBA Summit in Colorado which entailed riding awesome trails and testing out some sweet demo rigs. On the business end of things, he added several breakout sessions relating to fundraising, enlisting industry support for the club and the existence of portable pump tracks!

Tour de Fall Line

John Bolecek (VDOT's Statewide Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator) is heading up this effort and is hoping to have most of the flagging done soon. Depending on the success of this venture, we are hoping that this becomes an annual fund raising event.

REI Grant

Monies received from the REI Grant will help fund the tool trailer that the club desperately needs. Josh and Clark have been researching and shopping around for the best deal to suit our needs.

Richmond Regional Ride Center

The video highlighting the RideKore guys and hand cyclists is due out this week.

Miscellaneous

The club is planning on sending out surveys to its contacts (both members and non-members) so we can get some feedback on people's thoughts about the club, ways to improve the club, its membership, and get more cyclists involved.

A discussion was also held about preparing a 5 year plan for the club so we can start moving in a direction that agrees with the goals that the board has in mind for the club.

The meeting adjourned around 9:00 p.m.