

# SCBA Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 6:00 PM. Location: Virtual Meeting (email [thesouthcoastbikeway@gmail.com](mailto:thesouthcoastbikeway@gmail.com) for access)

## IN ATTENDANCE

Sandra Medeiros, Gail Rodrigues, Mary-Ellen Boyle, Keith MacDonald, Alan Slavin, Seth Asser, Bob Espindola, Paul Pawlowski. Greg Barnes (@7:15, after votes were taken)

## STANDING ITEMS

### 1. Treasurer's Report (Balance checking accounts, Anticipated Receipts, Amounts owed)

- Regular checking balance **\$4,185.72.**

- Paid State of MA for incorporation documents
- Income from FaceBook. Voted unanimously to transfer the FB funds from regular to SCBA account to Scenic Greenway account, and to continue doing so until further notice.

- Scenic Greenway – no change since March 6, 2020. Balance is **\$5615.80**

- Voted unanimously to transfer \$21.80 to Regular Account from SCBA account.
- FB donations are for this fund; Bob will reconcile; need to change automatic deposits to this account.
- Voted unanimously to pay SRPEDD \$244.82 due for Feasibility Study.

### 2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

No changes necessary. Voted unanimously to approve.

### 3. Received Facebook Fundraiser deposit \$100, 4/20/2020.

See #1 above about transferring to the correct checking account.

## FOR DISCUSSION

### 1. Bay Coast Bank grant application – Gail

Still in limbo. Last email was April 3. Wants us to do a presentation. Sandy and Gail will organize. Gail will call again later this week.

### 2. Accountant and audit status - Bob

Guidestar rating, Officers, Filing status

Checks have been cashed. It is in process.

### 3. SCBA member communities' updates See below

Wareham	Dartmouth
Marion	Westport
Mattapoisett	Fall River
Fairhaven	Somerset
New Bedford	Swansea

### 4. Scenic Greenway/Grant status - Feasibility Study update

- Next step for SRPEDD is to get meetings with municipalities/communities

- Online? Zoom or Webex likely
  - Jackie is leading the effort, working with town/city reps to coordinate.
- MEB will organize the feedback to SRPEDD on the website.
  - Current concerns are site navigation and readability.
- Still waiting to hear on new Mass Trails grant

## 5. 11th Annual Summit

Topic: South Coast Rail: It's Coming! - Connecting our Communities with rail, bike, ped

Date: Location: UMD? Speaker(s) Pete Sutton, Jean Fox,...

- Maybe in the fall.

6. Compose a letter to regional representatives to garner support for SCBA projects. Invite local representatives to a meeting with SCBA and SRPEDD. Lunch & Learn or Breakfast.

- Discussed alternative to FTF meeting
- ME will organize a letter within next month.

7. 3rd Annual Pedal for the Path date and location. August 30, September 13, 2020?

- Viable this year?
- Free ride might be as beneficial. SCBA can ask for a donation.
- No t-shirts or insurance costs.
- No TFCE to compete with (originally on 9/13)
- Three routes too labor intensive last year. Maybe a single 3-part route, three distances (like the Buzzards Bay ride).
- Could be minimal police detail, since a lot could be on a path.
- Too soon to advertise. Maybe June/July to start.
- Subgroup to work on
- Bob will confirm that no insurance is needed.
- Sandy will coordinate a planning meeting.

8. Grant opportunities and deadlines:AARP

<https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/community-challenge/info-2020/2020-challenge.html>

- On hold

9. Cycling Without Age – Sandy

- On hold

10. Next meeting date: June 9, 2020

11. New Business

- Buzzards Bay Ride is still going to happen. Sandy created a team. We will sponsor training rides. To register, look for South Coast Bikeway.
  - Sandy is hoping to get a match from a SCBA supporter.
- National Bike Month – we have about 50 riders. Gail invited Westport team

- Sandy will share info from Mass Bike webinar
- Keith reported lots more biking during pandemic. Ridership up, auto accidents up due to speeding. Not sure about bike shops. Biking death this past week in Boston.
- Cities closing roads to assure bike and pedestrian access.
  - More students want to live off campus, or commute. So will need more transportation, but not shared transportation. Need more parking. Also opportunities for biking.
  - John Sullivan posted about biking at the end of his commute. More people might do that.
  - Fewer people biking or ride sharing. Five mile range. Need bike parking, storage, safety,
  - We see more interest now.
  - Paul – This supports the north south bikeway that NB is working on.

## Municipality Updates

### Westport:

- Have not been meeting since the isolation requirement. Hope to get back to regular meetings soon.
- Applied for Helen Ellis grant, for bike parade for rodeo. Did not get it. Rodeo date unclear, and may be cancelled altogether.
- Working on bike recycling in the town dump. Bette made signs.
  - Next meeting will discuss launch, with press and photo shoot.
  - Giving bikes to Yesteryear. Still waiting to hear from Kim.
- Still have to submit SRPEDD invoice to the town. Keith will handle. Jackie sent an email.

### Dartmouth

- Dartmouth Pathways Committee has not yet met.
- Sandy will send invoice to Dartmouth CPC tomorrow

### Wareham

- No news. Committees starting to meet, through Zoom.

### Mattapoisett

- Have sent updated info for SCBA website
- Seth needs to become official. He will work with Bonne.
- Friends of Mattapoisett Rail Trail are still reorganizing.
- Please take Bonne's name off the SCBA website.

### New Bedford

- New info sent about NB for SCBA website. Sandy updating.
- Finalizing paperwork for SRPEDD payment.
- Paul will also submit a progress report to NB.

### Fairhaven

- No news. Planning outreach with Complete Streets and other ongoing projects.

### Fall River

Britland Park bike rodeo is still a go. June. Gail will confirm.

Next meeting: June 9, 2020 6:00 pm.