

SCBA Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 6:00 PM. Location: Virtual Meeting (email thesouthcoastbikeway@gmail.com for access)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Bob Espindola, Jackie Jones, Gregory Guertin, Sandra Medeiros, Keith Macdonald, Seth Asser, Mary-Ellen Boyle, Alan Slavin, Paul Pawlowski, Sarah Labossiere, Gail Rodriguez

Meeting was recorded: MEB has access, trying to figure out how to share.

STANDING ITEMS

1. Treasurer's Report Approved
 - a. Balance checking accounts: \$16,847 Scenic Greenway; \$4,019 SCBA
 - b. Anticipated Receipts: Facebook donations \$795, other deposits from August.
 - i. Another donation coming after 9/15
 - c. Amounts owed: SRPEDD & Dartmouth portion of feasibility study, part 1
 - d. SCBA \$290.78 to SRPEDD
2. Minutes Approved as amended, August & September

FOR DISCUSSION

1. SCBA Monthly meeting date - Would Thursday be better for all? NO. **Jackie will send Doodle poll.**
2. Events/Outreach
 - **3rd Annual Pedal for the Path** - post event wrap-up
 - Over 70 riders officially registered; others just showed up
 - Donations >\$800.00
 - Great teamwork across the region.
 - Buzzards Bay ride more streamlined (very few volunteers used)– perhaps a model for the future?
 - **September was rescheduled Bike Month** - debrief.
 - Could we shorten it, focus on one event? Create a sense of urgency
 - Or have something every weekend?
 - **11th Annual Summit**
 - **Postponed**
 - Topic: South Coast Rail: It's Coming! - Connecting our Communities with rail, bike, ped. Virtual Speaker(s) Pete Sutton, Jean Fox,...
 - **SRPEDD Feasibility Study outreach**

- New SRPEDD Staff: Greg Guertin, with expertise in public outreach will also work on bike/ped issues
 - SRPEDD evaluative best online outreach model: big event, small targeted?
 - Will want SCBA input
 - New project scoping process @ SRPEDD – need range of organizations involved
 - Jackie will set up meetings about these two
 - Please look at the draft 1 of Feasibility Study, with new format.
 - Jackie will resend, w/final email.
 - More graphics would be helpful.
 - And pictures!
3. [Solomon Foundation](#) (Allison Burson and Herb Nolan)
- Meeting (zoom) set for **11/16 morning**
 - Organized by East Coast Greenway
 - Sandy gave contacts from SCBA, Foundations wants people from each town.
 - Send names of officials in member towns, including land trusts as makes sense.
 - Not sure their process – grant proposal? Or discussion?
 - The foundation supports operational support – we should pursue
 - Five hours seems long – even for a workshop
 - Foundation would like interactive element
 - Maybe a video from each town
 - Suggest a pre-meeting agenda w/synopsis
 - What does Solomon bring to the table? Dollars are not huge (per website). Not building trails. What is \$\$ for?
 - Design?
 - Matching assistance for Mass Trails?
 - Smaller trail building?
 - Why do they want municipal people (different scope)?
 - Sandy will email, get a quick meeting

4. Next meeting date November 10, 2020

5. SCBA member communities' updates

Dartmouth

Still trying to recruit and reorganize the Pathways Committee.

Had a meeting with two potential recruits

One would like an historic trail around town.

Meeting with DNRT to explore woods for potential paths for Scenic Greenway. Will report back.

Fairhaven

Fall River

Not much. Called planner (Kenney) for \$\$
Bike FR has a few rides but no meetings yet

Marion

Mattapoisett (Seth)

Select meeting tonight, Seth can be official.
Shining Tides still ongoing – no final dates yet.

New Bedford (Paul)

Need a new representative since NB town planner has resigned.
Paul will follow up to find out what the city administration is planning.

Somerset

Swansea

Wareham

Westport

- Bike committee wants a three month leeway when rides are coming through town. (Even though Buzzards Bay did not fully staff the recent ride through the town. Permit was required though.)
- Identified trash on John Reed Rd. & staff will pick up
- Requested Select Board follow up with SRPEDD on road diet on Rte. 6
 - Confirmed SRPEDD received the letter.
 - Keeping the momentum!!!