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July Meeting Minutes July 18, 2019

Bob McBride called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Member attendees: Bob McBride (Chair), Mark Deshon, Karl Hassler (Treasurer), Helga Huntley (Co-Chair), Karen Rosenberg, Dave Saunders (Secretary), Adam Crosby

Partner liaison attendees:

BikeDelaware: John Bare

City of Newark: Mike Fortner (Planning & Development), Nate Graber (Police), Joe Spadafino (Parks & Recreation), Alex Whitt (Police)

WILMAPCO and Newark Bike Project: Heather Dunigan

Joe Spadafino reported on the **Emerson Bridge** project. City Council passed it unanimously. Of three options, the third was chosen, which keeps the scope of the project with some adjustments (e.g., to water management) that save money. Four representatives from BikeNewark were in attendance.

Bids will go out in January, after all funding is secured. Sen. Sokola and Rep. Baumbach are contributing \$5,000 each, and Matt Meyer has committed \$10,000 from New Castle County. Other contributions come from the State, University of Delaware, and the City of Newark.

The Pomeroy trail **Fairfield Connector** is complete, except for some fencing and landscape details. A ribbon-cutting ceremony is being planned; expect it around mid-August.

The CSX railroad has proposed to DNREC to close the **Casho Mill Road underpass** permanently. BikeNewark sentiment is strongly against this idea. In the discussion, the McKees lane underpass came up, reminding us of the idea to propose a contraflow bike lane there.

Move In Day: We need a location (in front of Perkins?) for Sat., Aug 24 and a table. A time frame of 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. is proposed, which is later than last year to better fit student traffic. The SafetyFest may not happen.

Bike central events: The goal is to have one in September and one later, each from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A presence is needed at the RA Fair at Trabant Center on Fri., Aug 16, 1 to 3 p.m., to provide bicycling info, especially so the Laird Campus RAs know about the Main Street contraflow lane.

At **Newark Community Day** on The Green, we can coordinate tables with Delaware Greenways

and City of Newark. Hours are 11 to 4 on September 15.

The idea of an October event at Wooden Wheels or Newark Bike Project was discussed.

Community Bike Days: A flyer of the events of September 3-7 was revealed by Mark Deshon. There are two subcommittees, one for weekday events, one for the Saturday Community Fun Ride. Bike Newark's insurance does not cover rides that have a registration fee, so a special arrangement is needed. Aetna can be called for medical support. UDairy ice cream truck might be invited to weekday events. UDairy requires guarantee of a minimum of \$150 in sales.

The Family Fun Ride has a 2.25-mile route, and the Newark Loop Ride is an 8.25-mile route open to those 11 years old and up. The route will include the new connector and then loop through Fairfield Crest, Nottingham Green, and Oaklands.

The **Newark Partnership**, successor to Downtown Newark Partnership, has support of nonprofits as one of its aims. The first meeting was held July 16, with a focus on the Newark TID. Heather Dunigan, Mike Fortner, and Bob McBride are involved.

Bylaws changes:

Downtown Newark Partnership no longer exists and, thus, is no longer a BikeNewark partner. Things may evolve that The Newark Partnership could become a BikeNewark partner. Delaware Greenways is interested in helping BikeNewark promote walkable/bikeable Newark.

Two proposals were unanimously suggested, (1) to remove list of partner organizations from bylaws, and (2) to add Delaware Greenways as partner organization. The bylaw amendment procedure will be activated.

The **Treasurer's report** noted that Bloom Energy has donated \$1,000. The current fund balance is \$1,977.62. Full report is attached.

An application is in the works to the Delaware Bicycle Council for a **feasibility study** of an off-road trail connecting Newark to the Markel Trail. Also, connections via Library Avenue past I-95 to Glasgow Park, to the YMCA, and to Lums Pond are under consideration. Delaware Bicycle Council, a part of DelDOT, provides innovation grants for feasibility studies.

Central Loop signage is agreed upon. We can hope for signs to appear by by end of summer, more or less.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Minutes by Dave Saunders

2019 Bike Newark Financial Activity Statement				
7/19/2019				
		WSFS	PayPal	Total
Beginning balance 1/1/2019		\$ 591.58	\$ 822.03	\$ 1,413.61
Additions:				
				0.00
1/31	interest	0.02		0.02
Total additions		0.02	0.00	0.02
Deductions:				
1/30/19	Insurance Amerispec	280.00		280.00
Total deductions		280.00	0.00	280.00
Surplus (deficit)		(279.98)	0.00	(279.98)
Ending balance 1/30/2019		\$ 311.60	\$ 822.03	\$ 1,133.63
Beginning balance 2/1/2019		311.60	822.03	1,133.63
Additions:				
2/7/19	PayPal transfer	822.03	(822.03)	0.00
Total additions		822.03	(822.03)	0.00
Deductions:				
2/11/19	LAB dues #514	75.00		75.00
2/11/19	DE Franchise Fee	25.00		25.00
Total deductions		100.00	0.00	100.00
Surplus (deficit)		722.03	(822.03)	(100.00)
Ending balance 2/20/2019		\$ 1,033.63	\$ -	\$ 1,033.63
Beginning balance 3/1/2019		1,033.63	0.00	1,033.63
Additions:				
2/28/19	interest	0.02		0.02
Total additions		0.02	0.00	0.02
Deductions:				
3/19/19	Brochure backs #515	53.95		53.95
Total deductions		53.95	0.00	53.95
Surplus (deficit)		(53.93)	0.00	(53.93)
Ending balance 3/20/2019		\$ 979.70	\$ -	\$ 979.70
Beginning balance 3/21/2019		979.70	0.00	979.70
Additions:				
3/29/19	WCBC grant	500.00		500.00
3/31/19	interest	0.02		0.02
4/17/19	donation - Saunders		100.00	100.00

Total additions		500.02	100.00	600.02
Deductions:				
Total deductions		0.00	0.00	0.00
Surplus (deficit)		500.02	100.00	600.02
Ending balance 4/18/2019		\$ 1,479.72	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,579.72
Beginning balance 4/19/2019		1,479.72	100.00	1,579.72
Additions:				
5/22/19 donation				0.00
4/30/19 interest		0.04		0.04
Total additions		0.04	0.00	0.04
Deductions:				
5/7/19 #516 Trek (BTW bike raffle)		240.00		240.00
				0.00
Total deductions		240.00	0.00	240.00
Surplus (deficit)		(239.96)	0.00	(239.96)
Ending balance 5/16/2019		\$ 1,239.76	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,339.76
Beginning balance 5/17/2019		1,239.76	100.00	1,339.76
Additions:				
5/31/19 Interest		0.03		0.03
6/18/19 PayPal transfer		96.80	(96.80)	0.00
Total additions		96.83	(96.80)	0.03
Deductions:				
5/18/19 Michael Fortner - Bike to Work		225.00		225.00
PayPal fee	Saunders 4/17/19		3.20	3.20
Total deductions		225.00	3.20	228.20
Surplus (deficit)		(128.17)	(100.00)	(228.17)
Ending balance 6/19/2019		\$ 1,111.59	\$ -	\$ 1,111.59
Beginning balance 6/20/2019		1,111.59	0.00	1,111.59
Additions:				
6/28/19 Bloom donation		1,000.00		1,000.00
6/28/19 Interest		0.03		0.03
Total additions		1,000.03	0.00	1,000.03
Deductions:				
6/24/19 Bob McBride - Comm event rein		109.00		109.00
7/1/19 Mark Deshon- Aztec reimb		25.00		25.00
Total deductions		134.00	0.00	134.00
Surplus (deficit)		866.03	0.00	866.03
Ending balance 7/19/2019		\$ 1,977.62	\$ -	\$ 1,977.62