

## **E.I. Bike & Ped. Committee**

### **Minutes – 4/18/2018**

#### **Call to Order:**

**Present:** Alesia Sanderson, Mike Taylor, Branden Burt, Ken Ambrose, Ken Stone, Cris Lauback

**Absent:** Anne Schrott, Wanda Collins, Vacancy

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from 3/21/2018 approved

#### **Business:**

**Vacancy:** Unfortunately, Deborah Styron has resigned from the Committee due to other obligations. We will miss her energy, insight, and ideas and thank her for her volunteer time. Suggestions for nominations to fill this vacancy are being sought.

**Fund balance and Marathon Contribution:** Thanks to an additional \$18,000 donation from the Marathon/Half M/5K, our new B&P balance stands at \$52,020. There will be some deletions for Bike the Banks expenses, but also additions from Bike the Banks registrations totaled up after the 5/5 event. Ideas for recommended uses for these and future funds are always sought.

**Bike the Banks Update:** Mike updated members on the status of the upcoming 5/5 event and our remaining needs. Currently there are 96 pre-registered riders (last year's total was 113), and we hope for more registrations on the day of the event, but it will all depend on the weather. Through member efforts, we were able to secure 6 sponsors: Carib Sea, Sharks Den, Bluewater, Rent the Beach, Ambroses, and Taylors (donations from 3 have not yet come in and been processed). We have had good news coverage (3X in newspapers, Town website, Town E mails, Island Review, Parrot Head website and newsletter). Ken S and Cris also posted fliers in local EI businesses and some in Swansboro. Bike the Blooms from the EI Garden Club is occurring in conjunction with our rides, and area businesses have been notified and encouraged to put out flowers; the Town will have displays at the Admin. Building and the Visitors Center. After talking with Laura Rotchford, Ken S noted that we have a positive balance of \$2847 for this event so far; there will be additional expenses for T shirts and food (guesstimated at \$550 and \$425 based on last year's figures), but also funds coming in from additional pre-registrations that haven't yet been counted, and registrations on event day. Our needs still remain as follows:

- 1-2 volunteers for Coast Guard Rd. turn (Ken S will try to find folks to fill this)
- Finalize volunteer names and locations of all stops (Mike is handling)
- Still need one more bike pump for SAG
- Unable to find a bike mechanic and another SAG truck, so Mike will try to cover out to Harker's Island along with David Sutton who will cover to Fort Macon area.
- Need a bike rack for David's SAG truck (update: Ken S has delivered his to David)

- Alesia's staff will do registration which begins at 6:30 AM. Coolers need to be dropped off at the Rec Center by Friday morning. Snacks and iced coolers will be ready for rest stops pickup on Saturday morning.
- Need volunteers at the Rec Center to welcome riders back (since Mike will be on the road as SAG), and also to record arrival times (arrivals will also be noted at the turnarounds for the 3 rides for future planning). This should encompass @ 4 hours with either four 1 hour shifts of a volunteer or 1 volunteer for 4 hours, etc. (Course closes at 2:30)
- The bridge route in Beaufort is still problematic as well as Arendell with a Shriners parade at 11:00. Mike is on this and talking with sheriff deputies. Mike is also preparing maps for the rides.
- All volunteers need to realize that this is a rain or shine event and they need to be present at their designated spots and times. Mike copied down cell phone numbers for volunteers and they will all receive his cell # at (252) 503-3862.
- Photos of the event need to be taken for a news article afterwards (Ken S will do this with other volunteers contributing photos if they can so there are some to choose from).

Looking forward to a great event that will grow yearly.

**Adjournment and Next Meeting Date:** Meeting adjourned at 9:50. ***Next meeting is May 16.***