

COOPER LANDING WALKABLE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017

6:00 PM

LOCATION: COMMUNITY CLUB

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Deb Carlson, David Story, Janette Cadieux
 - a. Guests: K Route, V Morgan.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Amended and approved to include re-ordering of Bean Creek items under OLD BUSINESS, addition of Fish Art to NEW BUSINESS, and addition of Biking Conference Report to ANNOUNCEMENTS.
4. REVIEW OF MINUTES from 3/20/17
5. TREASURERS REPORT: Not available. CLCC wants a treasurer report before they pay out any monies to reimburse S Holsten or others with regards to KMTA grant phase I. We must have a treasurer's report that combines our regular report with the KMTA phase I grant.
6. CORRESPONDENCE
 - a. Scott Thomas from AKDOT Safety regarding pedestrian alert signs. They have been installed near intersect of Sterling Highway and Snug Harbor!
7. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Update on projects
 - i. Bean Creek Project:
 1. Mapping: David mapped GPS route.
 2. Brushing/Flagging: Deb, Janette and the Church Grp flagged a route. Dan Michels used a Princess crew to brush it.
 3. Chris D spoke to J Blackwell from State Parks and as long as we do not make more than a footpath we can move ahead.
 4. Work can progress as we are able to cut duff, lay weed mat material of some kind, and lay down a little gravel, all at only footpath width. The Church Grp has expressed interest in returning to help with the project.
 5. CLCC authorized the gravel being put near the volleyball court for storage before use.
 6. Outreach to community: Money for mailing materials have been requested from CLCC. Janette will craft a letter and David will help edit it. The letter will be sent to all folks who live/own property on Bean Creek Rd and will be published in the Crier. David will check with Bruce or Patti at KPB to see if they can generate an address list.
 - ii. Snug Harbor
 1. KMTA Grant Phase I status

- a. Grant monies must be spent and receipts provided before Phase I can be considered complete and reimbursements can be obtained from KMTA.
- b. Snug Harbor Platform on un-named creek (see project plan) is intended for use of funds.
- c. Conceptual drawings available from P Briggs regarding platform/bench near creek on pathway.
- d. A meeting shall be set with CLCC board to request authorization from CLCC to solicit bids for the construction of the platform/bench.
- e. Once contractor has been chosen and project monies spent Phase I can be closed out.
- f. We anticipate these monies can be spent prior to Jan, 2018.

2. Completion status: The major Snug Harbor Project building is completed. There remain sloughing problems that we understand Federal Highways will address.

b. 2017 Trail Run:

- i. Went well and we earned about \$400 dollars again.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Trail Run 2018

- i. We need a date for the 2018 Trail Run. Potentially June 3rd could work.

b. Local DOT help

- i. Moving the Safety Path crossing from Helen Rhode Park to the bridge path out to the Sterling Hwy as a standard cross walk should be.
- ii. Stabilizing the approaches on either end of the bridge path
- iii. J Amundsen has advised we contact our local DOT crew chief to have this work done. Janette will contact Carl High.

c. Planning meetings with representatives: New Mayor, Assembly member, Borough Assembly, Chenault and Micciche, the PC, KRSMA, CNF and USFWS, Kenai Watershed Forum, State Parks, Econ. Devel. Corp, etc.

- i. We can use the movie that Krissy Route made for us.
- ii. We will develop a short power point presentation that can be used with the various groups. David will start working on that. Deb is emailing the last one to David.
- iii. David will ensure that the movie is viewable from our website.
- iv. Deb and Janette will update the Timeline document to aid with these presentations and to post on the web site.
- v. Once we are ready with our presentation we will schedule the meetings with the various groups or individuals. We will communicate with each other on various parts via email to learn when we are ready to schedule.

d. KMTA Phase II grant application planning (and other grants?)

- i. Planning for this shall be addressed in the meeting held with the CLCC board that will also address the phase I grant close-out and the treasurer's report.
- e. Fish art from Paul Turnow
 - i. Was completed and it is being stored at Deb's house.
 - ii. June 2017, Snug Harbor Workshop attendees really liked the art.
 - iii. Installing it on the bridge as originally planned has been subsequently determined to be less practical than imagined.
 - iv. Now the hope is to install it above the Helen Rhode Park, Welcome to Cooper Landing sign that will keep it out of harm's way but display it in a nice manner and create a photo opportunity for guests to the community.
 - v. Seek CLCC authorization to install the fish art above the HRP sign at the meeting where the KMTA grants, phase I and II will also be discussed.
 - vi. Janette will talk to Jon James about installation of the fish art on top of the Helen Rhode Park sign if CLCC approval is obtained.

9. INFORMATION and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. 2017 Trails Conference Report
 - i. Janette will re-post the invitation from DOT Alaska Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan project at www.akbikeped.com. We want folks to comment and indicate their support for the initiative. David will post this on the CLWCP website.
 - ii. Funding opportunities were sought at every breakout session. Marcheta Moulton, from AkDOT is interested in doing a project with CLWPC.
- b. 2017 Bike Conference Report
 - i. Different agencies spoke about how they want to develop their land. They are happy to have the increase in "traffic" particularly associated with fat tire bikes.
 - ii. BLM lead on how to develop mountain bike trails that are not paved and what are best practices.
 - iii. IMBA: Intl Mountain Bike Assoc. Instrumental in funding trail projects, including economic potential of communities as biking destinations. They've helped fund trails in ANC so far. They gave an example of a small town in the U.P. of Michigan that has become a world class destination for mountain biking. Cooper Landing already has 4 "rides" that are on the "bucket lists" of enthusiasts.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- a. None offered

11. SELECT NEW MEETING DATE: February 8, 2018

12. ADJOURNMENT: 8:12