

## **Bike CNY Meeting Minutes**

**March 15, 2016**

**6:30-8:00pm Illick Hall, Room 8, ESF**

In attendance: Steve Reiter, Bob Dougherty, Kelly Scanlon, Kathy Downing

Greetings and Settling In

Bob found his red folder!

No minutes available from 2/16/2016 meeting.

Old Business

- Saturday 2/27 NYBC Regional Meeting in Rochester: Kathy
  - In attendance were representatives from Rochester, Buffalo, Ithaca, Corning, and Syracuse, as well as Paul Winkeller and Jim Reed from NYBC. In order to foster a regional, as well as, statewide, bicycle advocacy support network, we determined three Action Items:
    1. NYBC will direct regional members regarding an issue via Google Group listserv.
    2. Support regional-led messages within our community, reaching out to media, elected leaders, and academic leaders as appropriate.
    3. Compile a list of elected officials, media, and community leaders who are bike-friendly. This list will be public, within our NYBC regional group.
  - Individuals and Bike CNY are encouraged to join NYBC.
  - We are all encouraged to support NYBC's two major initiatives for this year:
    1. The 3-foot passing law.
    2. Legalizing e-bikes in New York State.More information and petition links can be found at <http://nybc.net/take-action/>
  - A few suggestions:
    - Look to health organizations for money, including NYS Dept. of Health, health insurers, other organizations in the health industry.
    - Foster mutual respect with law enforcement, political, and opinion leaders.
    - Consider inviting the DPW guys for an appreciation celebration to thank them for their installation of the infrastructure that helps us.
- Friday 2/19 Bike Share Meeting: Bob
  - The meeting was led by Bob Talorico at Live-Work Common Space (Jefferson & Warren). Trek as well as other companies are being considered. Destiny wants to get involved. There is more to come, but no follow-up meeting has been scheduled yet.
  - Linda Hartsock, representing Connective Corridor, says they are looking to set up three bike repair kiosks along the CC. They would each include a pump and several tools. They are considering placing the first one at Fayette St. in front of the Warehouse to see how it works out. A second one would be placed on Genesee St. near Syracuse Stage. The third one would be placed closer to campus.

New Business

- Insurance:

- We can obtain liability insurance through League of American Bicyclists. For fewer than 26 rides per year, it costs \$179 + \$75 Bike CNY membership. That provides \$1 million liability per ride, with a \$5 million cap.
  - To pay for it, perhaps each core member of Bike CNY could pay a portion; ask for contributions from OCC members?
  - If we host a ride and charge for it, insurance is \$193 per event; pre-approval needed.
- Insurance for NYBC workshop: Since they are running it, we can pay them \$1 and it will be covered by their insurance.
- It was decided that we should obtain the \$179 insurance plan. Steve will do it.
- Bicycle Friendly Community Application:
  - Adria Finch (City Innovation Team) completed and submitted the application.
  - An invitation to review the application and provide feedback was sent via email (forwarded by Steve on March 15). Survey needs to be completed by March 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### Bike to Work Month

- Adria said that the City doesn't have any money for Bike Month, but they can help with publicity, including posting events on the City website.
- Eric Ennis says 40 Below is interested in promoting and helping with events.
- Update on NYBC Commuting Skills 101 Workshop: Steve
  - April 30, 10:00-1:30/2:00, at Mello Velo. Hopefully their new location will be available. If not, we are welcome to use their current location.
  - Steve is expecting a response regarding advertising, lunch, etc.
- Noon ride, Wednesday, 5/18 (with Cycle in the City): Invite mayor and a county official to participate.
- Slow(-ish) Roll:
  - Name: possibly "Roll the Cuse", Cusecycle, RolaCuse.
  - Advertising: Eric Ennis/40 Below (Bob will contact him.) Perhaps they can host a Facebook page Event for this.
  - Volunteers to lead ride: OCC, Mello Velo, Pedals to Possibilities (10 or so), Cycle in the City (2)
  - Shirts or Safety Vests: If shirts, City cannot help fund. Perhaps the Health Dept. could, or Mello Velo would pay to have logo on shirt. The consensus was that it would be better to borrow safety vests from the City Police. They would be more identifiable, as well as free.
  - Time: Wed. 5/25, 6:00-8:00pm, from Hanover Square
  - Parking: "J Ryan's lot" (which really belongs to the City)
  - Route: To be determined
  - Online Registration: 40 Below facilitates
    - If there is an online waiver, the database needs to have long-term viability; probably better to have a paper waiver.
    - Use wristbands or some other means to easily identify registered riders.
    - Clipboards, pens, registration forms at the ride.
  - Lower age limit: 12

- Event bike racks: Contact Parks & Recreation.
- Permit: Adria said it is not needed.
- Rain date: June 1

#### Other Items

- Paint the Town: Kathy
  - Intersection painting at Broad St. & Lancaster Ave., by Ed Smith School.
  - Objective: Paint an eye-catching mural on the street to bring out community together to create public art; engage and give students control over their environment; slow traffic, increasing pedestrian and bicyclist safety.
  - Melissa Fierke, Brendan Rose, Kathy Downing are leading the project.
  - Partial funding has been secured, or is in the process, from Salt City Dishes, TNT Eastside, UNPA, SEUNA, Ed Smith School PTO, WNA, and Ben Tucker's Livelihood.
  - Will seek donations of paints and other materials from Purcell Paints, Lowes, and Home Depot.
  - Target date for painting: May 6, 7, 8.

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:00pm at ESF (same location)