

MRCC Minutes Sept. 20, 2017

Dues for 2017 \$10.00 single \$15.00 for family

Call to Order: 7:10 pm @ Lockmaster's House

Members Present: 10 Guest:

Treasurer's Report was approved

Old Business

River Rendezvous Ride: Missy asked for any input for improvements. Rick suggested ordering additional directional arrow signs. An adjustment in time for the Sunday, Round Bottom stop is needed. The Beverly lunch stop was well received, and the deletion of a Sunday lunch stop did not draw complaints and helped the ride to conclude earlier. Great work Missy!

Dates for River Rendezvous 2018: June 2 & 3, 2018

Dan Jones suggested pursuing the inclusion of a Mountain Bike Ride into the annual ride. Rick will talk with Ryan Smith, inviting him to the October meeting. Missy reminded that a decision would have to be made by December as the forms need to go out in January.

Lockmaster's House: Work is on hold temporarily.

Devola Trail: Paul reports that construction will begin in approximately two weeks. Work by the engineering firm doing the alignment maps has begun.

Wolfe Run Campground: Judy reported there were 6 bike riders on Friday. Ten campers who went home on Saturday night after the deluge which hit right at dinner! Saturday saw many gathered to row, paddle, and SUP! Sunday was clean up and breaking camp. Many thanks to Judy for all of her organizing!

Harmer Rowing Club: No updates.

Williamstown Bike Ride: Great fun ride organized by Roger Kalter and led by John and Kitty Clark. The 8.3 mile ride was completed at the leisurely pace of 1 hour and 12 minutes. Attended by over 30 folks!

Around the Island Race Kayak/Canoe/SUP: Nine paddlers participated on a beautiful Sunday morning, all in kayaks. Thanks to Dan for organizing the event, to Teresa for providing the refreshments, and to John and David for timing! The Marietta Times did a great article and Lloyd Roberts rode his bicycle down for picture taking to include on the Wood County Alternative Transportation website. Thanks Lloyd!

New Business

Marietta High School Art Class: Dan Jones met with Heath Radar, MHS art teacher, who has taken on building a Pygmy Penguin Sport kayak, as a class project. Dan offered technical support from MRCC members with kayak building experience. He also explained that the club might consider financial support and suggested the teacher put in writing any request for funds and invited him to make the request in person at a club meeting.

Phase V of Marietta River Trail: Paul stated that a meeting of Marietta City Council at 7:30 Sept.21, will include a vote to approve the 2.8 million dollar extension of the trail .8 mile. Cost of building the bridge is a significant factor. If passed, construction would start in the spring of 2018.

2018 Calendar: Teresa will begin a draft. Please send any ideas for activities to tac@suddenlink.net.

Meeting Adjourned shortly after 8:00pm Submitted by: Teresa Griffith

Next Meeting: October 18, 7:00 pm at Lockmaster's House

Upcoming Events:

Muskingum River Tour September 30 @9:00 am Lowell to Marietta Paddle

Wendy Frye will help lead the paddle if she can find a comrade. If not, she will contact Rick to help send a cancellation notice out on the web. Thanks Wendy!