

Bicycle Nova Scotia Board of Directors
MEETING LOCATION
April 15th, 2020
Minutes

Present: Iola Doucet, Susanna Fuller, Darryl, Maryellen, Andree Crepeau, Nat Bowlby, Shawn, Ryan, Lorenzo Caterini, Tim Farmer, Janel, Rob Carter

Regrets:

Staff: Steve Bedard, Jon Burgess

| | ITEMS | DISCUSSION POINTS | ACTIONS/DECISIONS |
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| 1. | Bring to Order/Approval of Minutes | Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting held on GoToMeeting. - Minutes from March reviewed, no changes requested but minutes should be put into template | Action: Susanna to resend March minutes in template, Steve to post on website. |
| 2. | Action Items from March Board Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Several letters to government were to be drafted, we discussed how to approach government now that most focus is on COVID response. - Key points included: outreach to government should depend on how we are approaching the issue and the nature of the issue we are raising. - Shoulder / bike lane clearing: With regards to operational issues such as shoulder clearing, this was seen as a safety issue and should be raised with HRM. Velo CB has sent a letter to CBRM on this item. Other options to raise shoulder cleaning include individual calls to 311 and getting a file number and then sharing that with others. Some areas have been swept already, but good to maintain outreach on this file. BNS could contact the rural urban population through UNSM re encouraging all municipalities to clear bike lanes of gravel and debris on a regular basis - On BCBM, this continues to be an ongoing project and it is important to have input into | <p><i>Action: Letter to NSFM to be distributed to all municipalities on the importance of maintaining bike lanes and shoulder clearing to facilitate safe cycling transportation and recreation.</i></p> <p><i>Action: letter to HRM on BM planning exercise and the importance of incorporating active transportation, consideration for mountain bike trails.</i></p> <p><i>Action: letter to Andy Fillmore on support for National Active Transportation Strategy and investment in Nova Scotia</i></p> <p><i>Action: HRM letter re shoulder clearing.</i></p> |

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| | | <p>HRM planning with regards to how the park is advanced and we have a vested interest in an active transportation corridor as well as a potential cycle cross</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BCBM: Ongoing process, HRM planning staff continue to work on this. Letters should go to lead on regional planning, Kelly Denty. - Bike lanes in COVID times: Tracking adjustments across Canada for more street closures and widening. Shawn Cleary will introduce a motion in regards to this at the next council meeting. BNS has supported Halifax Cycling Coalition in this initiative. - Federal letter: possible to advance a suggestion that so many kms annually be funded for paved shoulders. Matching with provinces and metrics to look forward to. Per capita, so that we can track progress. What happens after COVID and how we come out of this and any changes surely the active transportation strategy would be part of this if a greener agenda. | |
| 2. | COVID update on cycling activities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Competitive cycling: Everything is cancelled, all international events and CCC is recommending to cancel everything to August 1, as per a recommendation by Quebec. CCC meeting on April 20th to discuss. Provincial level will open sooner than the national and willing to defer to the provinces. Decision on Canada Cup planned for Kentville to come at a later date. - Impacts on BNS memberships and licenses: How many people have signed up: 25 UCI licenses and 5 provincial. 55 general memberships. Good portion are national and a couple of keeners. Expect revenue from | <p><i>Action: Continue to engage on social media and advertise benefits of BNS general membership.</i></p> <p><i>Action: Compose members email to mail chimp, with update on competitive events and expect everything to be cancelled until June. (revisit at May board meeting). Include unsubscribe link in email.</i></p> |

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| | | licenses to be reduced this year. | |
| 3. | Budget | BNS finances in good shape, final payment from ACOA has been deposited. | |
| 4 | Staffing | Ben Buckwold has taken a contract with the Nova Scotia government and will not be returning to BNS as planned. Hiring for his position needs to start immediately. | <p><i>Action: Susanna will circulate job description and draft interview questions (final will be posted April 16th, thanks to everyone who commented).</i></p> <p><i>Action: Hiring committee includes Maryellen, Steve, Andree, Susanna and Janel.</i></p> |
| 5. | Sector Items | Lorenzo is submitting proposal to Recreation Facilities Development Fund for trails at Brunello Estates | <i>Action: Lorenzo to circulate final proposal to the board.</i> |
| | Next meeting | May 13th, 6:30 | |
| | Adjourn | | |

Submitted by: Susanna Fuller

Appendix A – Sector Reports
INCLUDE ALL SECTOR REPORTS AS SUBMITTED HERE

Sector, Submitted by:

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