

Moving Around Pender (MAP)

Meeting Minutes: Saturday March 10th, 2018 1:15 - 3 PM

Location: Community Hall, lounge

Chair: Niall Parker

Present: Andrea Mills, Peter Easthope, Barry Mathias, Niall Parker, Ursula Poepel, Bruce Boland

Regrets: Dave Hargreaves, Peter Pare, Lisa Baile, Elizabeth

Minutes: Niall, Peter E.

Called to order at 1:15 pm

1. Agenda approved
2. Minutes of February 17 2018 approved as posted.
 - a. <https://movingaroundpender.files.wordpress.com/2018/03/map-feb-2018-minutes-doc.pdf>
3. Finances: report in abstentia from **Lisa**: Present balance in non-bus account \$1884.52. Present balance in Bus account \$2124.14 with some outstanding commitments (shelter and rent). Still \$1000 in the Bus advertising account (reserve) and about \$560 in Spirit dollars.
4. Pender Post Articles: **Peter**, April (due March 19), also May, **Lisa**, June **Barry**, July **Andrea** and August **Dave Hargreaves** Please contact Niall if you can't do these dates
5. Status reports:
 - a. Hamilton Trail: *Barry*. Restarting discussions with Burdetts on Monday, Niall and Barry to meet with Mike and Anne (11 am). Some discussion of using roadway for part of route (Ursula) ... this would require stairs to be built (presently optional) at mailboxes, also users need to go up and down hill. Funding originally 3 way split between Browning, Driftwood and MAP, DW may not provide cash, only labour (?) and possible discounts. Budget needs rework to account for boardwalk approach.
 - b. Magic Ferry designated route:
 - i. VHF - still fencing to complete, also roadway portion. No progress since last meeting
 - ii. Alice Church Rd: **Niall**, Nothing new.
 - iii. Einar's Hill Road side trail – **Niall** Odden property is on market for \$989K. Current owners have no interest in trail. Community purchase might be possible if appropriate partners can be found (Farmland Acquisition ? Niall to attend their AGM March 21). Davies property on east side of Bedwell Harbour Road will have some sort of trail but Bill intends to construct/operate independent of outside agencies such as

MAP. ROW Rationalization document has been distributed to both LTC and Adam Olsen (MLA).

- c. Mate-Canal connector. Geoff. Nothing new.
 - d. Shingle Bay-Irene Bay. Niall will submitted letter to GINPR to formally ask for the establishment of a trail over this route. Marcia Morash (superintendent) out of office again.
 - e. Car Stops: Barry. Lions are apparently going to work on getting more benches for stops and install (report via Ursula). Barry/MAP has not been contacted yet.
 - f. GITS: no report
 - g. PICA: further discussion of PICAs position on bikes and trails. Ursula stated PICA will not have an issue with bikes outside of parks. There is a clear need to distinguish between 'mountain bikes' (noun) and 'mountain biking' (verb). MAP supports the operation of bikes on suitably constructed and designated trails but not any form of off trail riding.
 - h. GINPR: next liaison meeting April 19, 9:30 am
6. Bus Subcommittee: **Peter** (in abstentia): subcommittee met March 1
- a. Funding: \$2124.14 but still shelter and rent ...
 - i. UBCM grant approved, mixture operating, marketing and evaluation
 - b. Penducky Derby: issues getting Gaming License, likely will be class B
 - i. no online sales
 - ii. push date out to June (June 24 has best tides).
 - 1. Tour des Illes weekend
 - 2. more time to sell tickets (table at market)
 - iii. will need help selling tickets (2000 ducks !)
 - c. CRD may be able to support funds needed for bus repairs
 - d. charters are quite active, needs coordination to avoid conflict with regular schedule
 - e. new schedule discussed for spring/summer, underutilized routes may be dropped
7. New Business:
- a. **PIPRC rules for bikes on trails.** there will be a meeting March 16, Niall to attend to present case for amending bylaw. PICA will be speaking as well.
 - b. Bus future continued: Bruce distributed information on electric buses. Units of similar size to Bus21 available for \$215K, \$50K rebate available from province, if \$150K funding rumoured to be available really could be applied that would leave only \$15K for MAP to raise. A major project but possible.

Next meeting April 7th 1:15 at the Hall.