

St. Croix Bike Pedestrian Trail Coalition - St. Croix County, Wisconsin
MINUTES 2016 Annual Meeting – Mary Park, New Richmond, WI - April 30, 2016, 10:00 a.m.

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At 10:00 a.m. **Mix, Mingle and Munch** – Attendees gathered and visited informally prior to the official meeting.

At ~ 10:30 a.m. **CALL TO ORDER** - David Mandel, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at ~ 10:40 a.m.

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE – Mandel indicated that the agenda had been posted at the Town of Somerset Town Hall, at the Somerset Library and on the Coalition web page.

ROLL CALL – Board of Directors members present were Mark Gherty, Susan Heuser, Andrew Lamers, David Mandel, Mark Vanasse, Marian Webber and Tim Witzmann. Board of Directors members Rich Baillargeon and André Johnson were absent. Others present, both members and nonmembers, were Kay Brooks, Ben Heuser, Mary Krattley, Mitch Lewis, Janet Lindstrom, Melissa and Isla Mandel, Agnes Ring, Irv Sather, Nancy Vanasse, Jim Webber, and Caren Witzmann.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – A **motion** (Marion Webber, Jim Webber) to adopt the agenda ~~as presented and~~. Susan Heuser indicated that an agenda item to approve the minutes for the 2015 Annual Meeting had been inadvertently left off the agenda. An amendment to the **motion** (Marion Webber, Jim Webber) *to include an item to approve the 2015 Annual Meeting minutes*. Amended motion **carried** with no opposition.

APPROVAL OF THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – A **motion** (Vanasse, Ben Heuser) to approve the 2015 Annual Meeting minutes as presented. **Carried** with no opposition.

REPORTS - from subcommittees and/or individuals about information gathered for the coalition
Finance Report –Vanasse reported details of the 2015 finances. This report is available on the Coalition web site as a part of the 2016 Annual Report. Vanasse further indicated that 2016 expenditures to date had included exhibitor’s fees and fees associated with annual corporate report fillings.

Raffle Report – Vanasse indicated that discussions are underway about the possibility of raffling a bicycle as a fund raiser in 2016. Raffle details will be further defined at the May 2nd Communications Committee for presentation to the Board of Directors at its May 11th meeting. Any money raised by the raffle will be designated for amenities to the Loop Trail that is being constructed as a part of the St. Croix River Crossing Project or other trail amenities that might arise. Vanasse also indicated that a smaller fund raiser is being considered at Oliphant Brewing in Somerset.

Communications Committee – Witzmann indicated that it had been a busy year for the Communications Committee largely doing outreach about St. Croix County’s update to its Bike & Ped plan. David Mandel reported that a number of directors and members had been involved in those outreach efforts and thanked everyone who had helped with this effort.

ITEMS for discussion and/or action

1. Review of Annual Report - Susan Heuser highlighted details that had changed since the 2015 Annual Report largely related to the addition of a Financial Report as the Coalition acquired funds and white paper reporting from committees necessitated by the nonprofit nature of the organization both of which began in 2015. She also indicated that the mission of the Coalition remains to create a coordinated, connected bike and pedestrian trail throughout St. Croix County and beyond. The 2016 Annual Report is available on the Coalition web site.

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2. Nomination for and election of the Board of Directors seats currently held by Rich Baillargeon, Marion Webber and Tim Witzmann

David Mandel opened the floor for nominations for the Board of Directors seats currently held by Marian Webber and Tim Witzmann. **(Vanasse, Gherty) nominated** Tim Witzmann. **(Vanasse, Gherty) nominated** Marian Webber. A **motion** (Jim Webber, Lamers) to close the nominations. **Carried** with no opposition. A **motion** (Vanasse, Gherty) to appoint Marian Webber and Tim Witzmann to the Board of Directors. **Carried** with no opposition.

Regarding Rich Baillargeon's seat on the Board of Directors, Susan Heuiser reported that Baillargeon has indicated that he will not remain on the Board of Directors for another term. That notice was not received in a time frame allowing the Board of Directors to meet and discuss how to proceed regarding the empty seat. General consensus among the attendees was not to elect a director to fill Baillargeon's seat at the meeting but rather to put this topic as an item on the May 11th Board of Directors meeting to decide how best to move forward.

3. Set next meeting date – Last Saturday in April 2017 – The next Annual Meeting was set for the last Saturday in April 2017.

ADJOURNMENT – A **motion** (Lamers, Jim Webber) to adjourn. **Carried** with no opposition at ~ 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Heuiser, Secretary

At ~ 11:00 a.m. **Bike Ride** around the New Richmond area for interested attendees – After the meeting adjourned, a number of attendees rode a guided tour of some of New Richmond's bicycle and pedestrian trails led by Lamers and Lewis.