

WNYMBA MEETING MINUTES 11/29/17 – Santora’s Phase II

1. Meeting Called to order by President, Jon Sunquist
2. Meeting Minutes from previous meeting – not available, please see online posting of the minutes
3. Old/Ongoing Business
 - a. Stone Tower Trail
 - i. RTP Grant – grant is for ~\$100,000.00, breaks down to \$4.00/ft of trail built. WNYMBA needs to match 20% and can include trail work volunteer hours at \$26.00/hr.
 - ii. DigIn Fun Fundraising – Ends on December 21st. All donations will go towards building the stone tower trail. Jake has hammered the fundraising effort and raised over \$2500.00 to date.
 - iii. PTNY (Parks & Trails New York). Jake has been leading this effort, wrote and submitted the grant for \$50,000.00!
 - iv. Volunteer Matching – see i. above
 - v. Growler Bike Raffle – Rachel designed the raffle tickets, Jake had printed for ~\$60.00 and is not asking for reimbursement, his contribution to the club. Jake and Joe C. are planning on setting up tents at local events to promote the fundraising effort and will have the Growler fat bikes on hand. Tickets will be for sale at least through the Beer Social, and possible live raffle and bike giveaway at this event.
 - b. Outer Harbor Trails
 - i. Bidding goes out on 1/1/18, estimated completion = 1 year.
 - ii. Troubridge Wolfe is the designer. 3 loops of 100% flow (1 beginner and 2 intermediate) with many other integrated areas, making this a true bike park.
 - iii. WNYMBA will have a building on premises and be responsible for maintenance for the first 2 years. The club will receive recognition, signs will have our name on them.
 - c. HSBC Grant
 - i. WNYMBA has used ~50% of donated funds. Another leaf-blower was purchased (Jerry has one, Jon S has the other).
 - ii. Suggestion that signage should be placed at locations where grant money was used to recognize that HSBC provided some funding to build this section of trail.
 - iii. Joe C. is planning on reapplying for the HSBC grant again in 2018 asking for a \$10,000.00 donation.
 - d. Tracy Ridge:
 - i. Meeting on 12/5/17 to address public concerns. This project includes a 12 mile section of trail, which is part of the big picture of having trails all the way to Jakes Rocks.
 - e. Trail Work Updates:
 - i. Sprague Brook – 2 fall trail work events. Would love to have access via Crump Rd. To be discussed at next meeting with the county. Access would be beneficial from a safety standpoint.
 - ii. Darien Lakes – More flagging in late winter, hunters have removed flags in the past.
4. Board Meeting - No meeting held
5. Treasurers Report
 - a. Good news, actual costs are lower than projected, and up in revenue.
 - b. Club’s tax exempt status is pending.
 - c. Call for an accounting of all assets over the winter (Jim A has an old excel spreadsheet)
 - d.
6. New Business
 - a. 2018 Board Nominees:
 - i. President – Jacob Bodway
 - ii. Vice President – Jerry Barbour
 - iii. Membership Coordinator – Jacob Bodway
 - iv. Treasurer – Joe Crumlish
 - v. Secretary – Melissa Melnik

- vi. Board Members – Jon Sundquist, Thom Wright, Tom Rohring, Paul Marko, Max Walker, Jim Allen, TJ Zydel
- b. ATV Trailer – Thom Wright proposed purchasing an ATV Trailer for \$300. Asked for \$150 in funds from WNYMBA, Harris Hill Hustle proceeds would cover the remaining \$150. Thom offered to store the trailer. Vote was in favor and funds approved for disbursement.
- c. National Fat Bike Day – Long Point Global Fat Bike Day, Dec 3rd, 10a-3p, 6.5 miles of trail, all bike types welcome.
- d. IMBA Local – Jon S sat in on conference call, basically our website will be the frontend for IMBAs membership tracking (at a cost of \$12-15/pp). Should WNYMBA stay as a chapter or affiliate? To be further discussed at a board meeting. Link containing info to be posted on our website.
- e. Beer Social – Headed up by Paul Marko. Flying Bison will be the venue. A custom brew will be made for us. Date will be Feb 21st or 22nd. Cost is \$20/25. Same format as in the past. High interest in giving away a Fat Bike(s) here.
- f. Meetings: December -> no | January -> yes | February -> Beer Social | March 14th -> Tom's Pro Bike Kick Off Meeting | April 15th -> Swap with GoBike
- g. Trail Building Seminar - Attendees voted in favor of sending Thom Wright and Greg Snow to a Mechanized Trail Building Class held by the National Trail Builders Association in Virginia, 3/23-3/25 (they will pay their own way for food and lodging). Insurance premiums are on the rise for the use of mechanized equipment.
- h. Sprague Brook:
 - i. Haven't heard back on permission to use a portion of the XC loop to get to the single track.
 - ii. No park use after dusk is being fully enforced.
 - iii. Need to schedule a meeting with Erie County Parks
 - iv. Need to put together a proposal for night riding.
- i. National Mountain Bike Patrol – See TJ if interested in joining
- j. Darien Lakes State Park – More flagging to continue in spring, unable to flag during hunting season.
- k. Bond Lake County Park– potential for mountain biking brought up by Scott Bixby.
- l. Jakes Rock – Phase 2 to begin this spring, 2 trails, 4.5 miles. Phase 3 for an additional 10 miles, work my begin summer 2018.