

## AGENDA St. Croix Bike & Ped Trails Coalition Board of Directors

May 11, 2022, 6:30 p.m. – Via Zoom

**CALL TO ORDER** – Kyle Lindstrom, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at ~6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** - Board members present were Mark Gherty (until 7:10 p.m.), Susan Heuiser, Kyle Lindstrom, Paul McGinnis and Mark Vanasse. Pam Kaiser and Dave Mandel were absent. Also present were Ben Heuiser, Janet Lindstrom, Rick Heidick (until 7:20 p.m.) and Mike Lyner (until 7:20 p.m.).

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – A **motion** (McGinnis, Gherty) to adopt the agenda with a change to consider ITEM 1 right after adoption of the agenda. **Carried** with no opposition.

1. Bridge the Valley – Bike Rally – Heidick and Lyner discussed this second annual event they are hoping will become a regularly occurring rally on road riders' calendars. This is the sole fund raiser for the Hudson Sunrise Rotary. Last year they estimated 300 riders and actually had 492. This year they are estimating 800 - 900 riders. Early registrations are from the surrounding metropolitan area but also from the eastern side of Wisconsin. There are 5 routes to challenge all levels of riders – even a gravel route. The routes are on both the MN and WI sides of the St. Croix River from Prescott to Scandia. Every ride starts and ends in downtown Stillwater and food and music along the river are planned to complete the day long event. The fees are a good value compared to other bike rallies. The group has a lot of support but is looking to find good connections across the MN – WI state line. Several Board members who are road riders made suggestions and will follow up with more details. The Coalition will put out information via its communications avenues about the event.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – Opportunity for comments on subjects not on the agenda when recognized by the presiding officer. - There was no public comment.

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES** – April 13, 2022 – A **motion** (McGinnis, Vanasse) to approve the April 13, 2020, minutes as presented. **Carried** with no opposition.

**REPORTS** - from subcommittees and/or individuals about information gathered for the Board of Directors – Some report discussion was abbreviated or skipped entirely due time constraints.

Communications Committee - This item was not discussed.

Financial Report – The May report had been distributed; there were no questions so no discussion.

Healthier Together – McGinnis reported work on new initiatives for the coming year – *Mental, Social and Emotional Wellness & Thriving, Livable Communities for all.*

Hwy 64 Trail Corridor Committee - This item was not discussed.

Pathway – This item was not discussed.

Town of Troy Bike Subcommittee - Camp St. Croix Connections – McGinnis discussed some beginning discussions in the Town of Troy about moving trail traffic from the southern end of the City of Hudson, past Camp YMCA and River Crest School all the way to the southern end of the County. These would be off road trails because of the dangerous nature of the roads in this area.

Hudson Expo – Both Lindstrom's indicated an excellent turnout on a cold, rainy spring Sunday. Lots of visitors to the booth and lots of information distributed about trails in the area. General consensus was that it was a well-managed event and worth the time to be there.

Others that may be available – Susan Heuiser reported one raffle renewal had been completed and the insurance premium had been paid.

**ITEMS** for discussion and/or action

2. Election of Board of Directors Officers – Board of Directors Officers were elected according to Coalition By-Laws and *Roberts Rules* as follows.

Chairperson – Kyle Lindstrom opened the floor for nominations for Board Chairperson. A **motion** (Kyle Lindstrom) to nominate Mark Vanasse as Chairperson of the Board. Lindstrom called two more times for other nominations. There were none so Lindstrom closed the nominations. He then asked if there was

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discussion about the motion on the floor. There was none. *A vote was taken with all Board members voting in favor of Vanasse.* Mark Vanasse is the new Board Chairperson.

*At this point in the meeting, Vanasse took over management of the meeting.*

Vice Chairperson – Vanasse opened the floor for nominations for Board Vice Chairperson. A ***motion*** (McGinnis, Vanasse) to nominate Kyle Lindstrom as Vice Chairperson of the Board. Vanasse called two more times for other nominations. There were none so Vanasse closed the nominations. He then asked if there was discussion about the motion on the floor. There was none. *A vote was taken with all Board members voting in favor of Kyle Lindstrom.* Kyle Lindstrom is the new Board Vice Chairperson.

Treasurer - Vanasse opened the floor for nominations for Board Treasurer. A ***motion*** (McGinnis, Kyle Lindstrom) to nominate Mark Vanasse as Treasurer of the Board. Vanasse called two more times for other nominations. There were none so Vanasse closed the nominations. He then asked if there was discussion about the motion on the floor. Susan Heuser noted that, with exceptions not relevant here, Coalition By-Laws allow one person to hold two Board Officer positions. *A vote was taken with all Board members voting in favor of Mark Vanasse.* Mark Vanasse is the new Board Treasurer.

Secretary/Information Director - Vanasse opened the floor for nominations for Board Secretary/Information Director. A ***motion*** (Kyle Lindstrom, Vanasse) to nominate Susan Heuser as Secretary/Information Director. Vanasse called two more times for other nominations. There were none so Vanasse closed the nominations. He then asked if there was discussion about the motion on the floor. There was none. *A vote was taken with all Board members voting in favor of Susan Heuser.* Susan Heuser is the new Board Secretary/Information Director.

Grants Coordinator - Vanasse opened the floor for nominations for Board Grants Coordinator. A ***motion*** (Kyle Lindstrom, Vanasse) to nominate Susan Heuser as Grants Coordinator. Vanasse called two more times for other nominations. There were none so Vanasse closed the nominations. He then asked if there was discussion about the motion on the floor. There was none. *A vote was taken with all Board members voting in favor of Susan Heuser.* Susan Heuser is the new Board Grants Coordinator.

3. Hudson Chamber of Commerce Membership – Discussion indicated this is an important connection to have. A ***motion*** (McGinnis, Kyle Lindstrom) to join the Hudson Chamber of Commerce for 2022. **Carried** with no opposition.
4. Summer Ongoing Projects – Susan Heuser made a list of members interested in projects that could have some ongoing activity throughout the summer while the Board is not planning to meet. Board members will be contacted as needed.
5. Others – Vanasse discussed the possibility of fund raisers at various locations over the summer into the fall dependent on pandemic conditions. He will work with others to put details in place.
6. Set next meeting date – August 10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> OR September 14<sup>th</sup>? The **next meeting date** was set for **August 31, 2022.**

**ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD of DIRECTORS AGENDA** – Lake Mallalieu /UP RR Trestle Project, Memorial to André Johnson, Fund Raisers, Bike Rack Placement

**ITEMS FOR NEXT COALITION AGENDA** – None at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT** – A ***motion*** (Kyle Lindstrom, McGinnis) to adjourn. **Carried** with no opposition at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Susan Heuser, Secretary