

MAP AGM 2022

December 3, 2022: 2:30-2:41pm

Lounge Community Hall

Present: Shelagh Rinald, Andrea Mills, Niall Parker (Chair), Dave Hargreaves, Lisa Baile, Peter Pare, Barry Mathias, Pricilla Maki, Bruce Boland, Peter Easthope.

2021 AGM minutes were reviewed and approved.

Niall provided a report from the chair and reviewed the accomplishments of MAP for the year.

Dave reported on finances:

Financials: General Business \$5,437.81, Bus \$8,602.72, Trails \$2,032.85

There were no General Resolutions

The board remained unchanged as: Niall Parker, Dave Hargreaves, Peter Easthope, Peter Pare and Barry Mathias.

There were no additional nominations from the floor. The board was acclaimed.

Regular meeting. Dec 3, 2022 2:42-4:00 pm

Same attendees minus Pricilla

Niall will do the January Pender Post article. Barry will do the February article.

We had a broad ranging discussion regarding the future of MAP specifically addressed at recruiting new membership and developing a list of annual goals.

Barry suggested we have a brain storming session to set some tangible achievable goals and then use these in a membership drive associated with a social function. Bruce suggested including a speaker of speakers with specific transportation expertise in a membership renewal event. We resolved to have a brainstorming session at our next meeting and aim for a membership Event for May.

We talked about the failed CRD referendum extensively. There is to be a CRD debrief Zoom on Thursday Dec 13 at 11 AM. Previous contributors to the SGI Transportation discussions have been invited. Peter P will check if MAP members can attend.

Peter P said important roles for MAP included:

- Acting as advocate for road side trails and public transportation
- As a partner in GITS which enables the insurance for trails on private land
- As a potential operator/organizer of the local public transportation if funded through a future CRD referendum after a future referendum.
- Dave H pointed out that communications from MAP to the community were poor. Need to improve our web site, Pender Post articles and/or develop other means to tell the community what we are about and what we want to do.

- He suggested another function for MAP would be to host the Bike Workshops that Pricilla has planned
- We discussed the tension between conservation of unique ecosystems and the development of trails. We agreed that a focus on road side transportation trails should be our focus.
- We suggested changing the name of our “trails” to “routes” or “pathways” as a means to mitigate the fear of conservation groups.
- Bruce discussed Public Transport options and the advantages of regularly scheduled and passenger directed services and potential hybrids of these models. He agreed that MAP was the appropriate organization to advocate for and potentially operate public transportation if funded.
- Niall provided a status review of our standing agenda items including the exciting prospect of the GINPR finally working on a trail joining Shingle Bay to Irene Bay.
- We discussed meeting time and venue and agreed that the next meeting will be an in person brainstorming session at the Hall Lounge at 1:00 PM January 7th