

MAP: March 2, 2024 1000 am - 1105 am

Location: Community Hall Lounge deck

Attending: Niall, Dave H., Helgi, Karl, Shelagh, Bob, Rob, Peter E.

Regrets: Peter P., Lisa, Misty, Adrian

Regular Meeting Items:

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Previous minutes - on blog :  
<https://movingaroundpender.wordpress.com/previous-minutes/>
3. Finance (Dave)
  - a. Accounts update:
    - i. General: \$12447.06
      1. Includes tf from Piper LLC, \$9533
        - a. Grant instalment, pass on to SGI NH
    - ii. Bus: \$4620.59
    - iii. Trails: \$2616.14
  - b. MAP contribution to Taxi Saver paid to CRC (from Bus account)
4. Pender Post articles:
  - a. March - Peter E. and Christa craft article
    - i. Bench mysteries and mapping
  - b. April - more mapping ?
5. Status Reports:
  - a. Car Stops -
    - i. Repair bench for ball diamond ready to install
      1. Need new foundation and 3 brackets
        - a. Repair of old bracket ? (Peter E.)
        - b. **Update:** Helgi provides 4
      2. Discussion of causes, snowplow perhaps ?
    - ii. Update westbound by lumber yard proposal (Sara Miles)
      1. No news
  - b. GITS - insurance paid, \$200 to D&O
    - i. Clarify which society is being covered and how much
  - c. Trails
    - i. Monty's trail
      1. Molly's trail having tree cleared
      2. Karl will move woodchips to staging areas to fix Monty's trail once it dries up a bit, standby for another work party.
    - ii. George Hill East:
      1. Still need to fit in review with Peter/Lisa
    - iii. School Trail (Rob)-
      1. Funding decision in next 2 weeks
        - a. Still promising, strong case for Pender
      2. 800 loads of blast rock available from Dip rebuild

- a. School trail needs 600 loads, surplus to Bill's Trail ?
  - iv. VHF: - no news
- d. GINPR Liaison (Niall)
  - i. Still waiting on update report 😞
- e. PIPRC Liaison (Rob/Andrea/Lisa)
  - i. Next meeting 1330h on March 4 at Community Hall
    - 1. Niall unavailable, others ?
  - ii. Bike route from ferry
    - 1. Mike McIntyre of CRD Regional might be able to move forward?
    - 2. Meet sometime this spring perhaps with Rob + MAP
  - iii. Ketch Road to Bedwell Harbour Rd
    - 1. Still nice route to explore with MBMG whenever they are open to discussion
    - 2. Hunt property may also have good trail potential, will be on market soon.
  - iv. Bill Davies trail : update
    - 1. Rob talking with neighbours at top of hill to arrange connection
      - a. Feels fully GITS trail better than mix of private and MOTI sections
  - v. More trail options (Rob)
    - 1. Still to do: Niall & Rob meet to discuss Odden frontage
    - 2. Acquiring property for community use would be nice
      - a. NB: ALR property, 18 acres, not subdividable
      - b. Farmland project ?
      - c. Housing ?
      - d. Shelagh to run subcommittee to investigate options and potential partners
    - 3. Need to balance conservation efforts to protect lands with utility of alternative routes that get people out of cars.
      - a. Blocking access routes in name of conservation can have negative conservation impacts overall.
- f. Website rebuild (Niall/Peter E/Lisa)
  - i. Comments appreciated
  - ii. Lisa to work on incorporating the minutes directly within Wix site.

## 6. Other Business

- a. Taxi Saver Program startup: Bob C., Peter P.
  - i. 20 book sold so far
  - ii. Nice to get ridership and # distinct users information
- b. Volunteer Opportunities
  - i. Funding for youth (15-29), contact Jackie Dupuis, SGI NH
  - ii. Think of MAP project that could benefit from some labour
    - 1. Trail maintenance
- c. Meeting frequency ?
  - i. Currently monthly, reduce ?

1. Consensus it is useful to maintain monthly meetings
- ii. Also membership engagement
  1. Rob offered to do world bike trip presentation, social event
  2. Other possibilities to engage without attending meetings
    - a. Generally work parties good
- d. EV awareness
  - i. Rob notes BCAA towing unavailable for EV owners on Pender, BCAA under mistaken impression not many EVs on Pender !
- e. Tourism Maps
  - i. Chris Hall involved with local tourist initiative
  - ii. Good to get mapping/instructions to guide visitors away from the roads, using trails and short cuts

7. Next Meeting: currently scheduled for April 6, 2024