

Town of Victor Department of Parks and Recreation

Citizens' Advisory Committee

Tuesday, March 2, 2021

Zoom Virtual Meeting

Participants: Paul Moszak, Gregg Richards, Larry Fisher, Mark Robbins, Lisa Roberts, Brian Emelson, Drew Cusimano, Brad Bowers

Meeting was called to order at 7:03

Approval of February Minutes

Larry made a motion to approve the corrected February minutes, seconded by Gregg – approved.

Director's Report

- Brian reviewed his report.
- Brian emphasized that he needs the Town Board to authorize reopening of the department so that hiring, development of contracts for food vendors, etc. can occur. Drew will initiate discussion of this at the March 8th Town Board meeting. Brian will submit a re-opening plan to New York State.

Old Business

Public Comment Period for Pedal Assist Bikes on Trails

- Brian received positive feedback at the February Town Board meeting and anticipates that the Town will set a public hearing date at the March 22nd or April 12th board meeting.

Update from subcommittee RE: Bike to School Day

- Mark met with Cindy Riley on February 9th.
- Cindy confirmed that the VCS insurer has approved including cycling in the October 2021 Bike/Walk to School event. She reiterated that several PTSA members were willing to work in support of the event but they're looking for significant volunteer help from outside the PTSA. Mark reassured Cindy that the CAC felt confident in its ability to recruit volunteers. Cindy strongly suggested that in planning routes consideration be given to morning traffic patterns on campus.
- Mark and Cindy will bring a steering committee together in mid to late April. Mark sent information from "Safe Streets to School" on planning a Bike to School event to Cindy for her to share with PTSA members, as appropriate.
- Prior to the anticipated steering committee mtg. Cindy will:
 - Reconfirm that the VCS Superintendent is in support of the event.

- Attempt to contact Physical Education faculty members to discuss the event, encourage their involvement on the steering committee and ask the staff if they have students who display interest in cycling.
- Other topics for the steering committee:
 - Discuss holding a Bike Rodeo on campus (during lunch or after school).
 - Contact scout groups to share information about the event and solicit support and participation.
 - Consider "incentives" for student participation.
 - Any expenditures associated with the event and any special scheduling issues for the event need to be identified by the end of June.
- Paul reported that he's had initial contact with Scott Page from Full Moon Vista and Willo Glynn, owner of Growler Bike. Both are interested in providing support, and Paul will contact other potential supporters.
- Paul suggested the sub-committee identify routes and "gathering locations" in the near future. Mark will schedule a meeting prior to March 25th.

Student Rep

- Lisa has developed a draft email and role description to go out to key student organizations (PTSA, Scout Leaders, etc.) later this week.

New Business

VHT updates

- The joint PTSA & VHT hike on February 19th was attended by 30-40 participants with children ranging in age from 2 - 9. There were three separate hikes. Monthly hikes are going to be planned for each third Saturday. The next hike will be on March 20th at Fishers Park.
- Two VHT events being planned for April have PTSA interest:
 - Trail cleanup on April 24th in conjunction with Earth Day
 - Tree planting activity at Boughton Park on April 25th
 - Brian is working on scheduling a spring Family Nature Club every other Wednesday with VHT providing some help with leading hikes.

Other Business

Hike, Bike and Brew

This community event will be held on March 25th from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at Highpoint.

Paul made a motion to adjourn and Greg seconded at 8:15 to end the meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Roberts