

# **Draft Minutes General Meeting**

Thursday 29 June 2017

Location: The Woolshed, Stratton St, Normandale, Lower Hutt, 7:00 pm

**Present**: Dan Forster (Chair). Matt Clarke, Angus Cotton, Bruce McHardy, Paul Scoble, Marco Renall.

**Apologies:** Wayne Boness & Jeremy Paterson (GWRC). Ron Harfield, Aden Komarkowski & Karl Laurence.

# 1. Minutes last Committee Meeting 25 May 2017

Minutes have been circulated to the committee and were approved on a motion from Matt seconded by Angus.

There were no matters arising from the minutes which have been posted on the BAMBA web site.

# 2. Financial Report

| Presented by Angus Opening Bank balance start of financial year 1/04/17 | \$3,113.40      |
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| Expenditure since last meeting  |                 |
| Meeting refreshments.   | \$15.00         |
| Total expenditure   | \$ <u>15.00</u> |
| Income since last meeting   |                 |
| Donations (Pay Pal )  | \$10.00         |
| Total Income  | \$ <u>10.00</u> |
| Closing Balance end of May 2017   | \$3,108.40      |

### 3. Funds and Donations

### 3.1 Thank you Template.

Template has been completed and thank you letters sent to recent donors such as Paul Hastie and Ground Effect. Bruce is to file a copy in template form (.dotx).

### 3.2 Petone to Grenada Freeway Community Grants

Matts latest advice is that the funds are not available for local organisations because they are to be promised to one project.

### 4.GWRC.

## 4.1. Update

No update as Rangers not at meeting.

4.2 Bamba-GWRC – Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

The MOU needs to be renewed. Bruce is to circulate a copy to all committee members for a refresher and familiarization for input to a review before renewal of the MOU.

### 5. Trail Review

#### 5.1. Grade 5 Downhill

The proposed trail route has been agreed with Jeremy, marked and GPS'ed. The application to build the trail was submitted to GWRC 28 June 2017.

The GPS data for parts of the trail are incorrect as was shown on a trail printout presented to the committee. Angus is to digitize and correct the trail location data points to show the actual route and on send to GWRC.

It was agreed that Bamba will offer to assist Craig build the trail to the requirements of the advanced riders that will use it.

#### 5.2. Electric Avenue.

GWRC advises moving the trail entrance to the south off the OCR only requires a short submission by email and approval can be expected by return email. Tweaking of the trail to improve the line of sight at the entrance to some corners and the reconfiguration of a beam or two is required. However it was decided to leave this work to a later date such as the BNZ Closed for Good..

### 5.3. Electric Avenue/Weta/Connect 4 Hub. (The HUB)

The proposed project needs a concept layout. Ideas include a shelter, table and seat and large trail map board. Dan is to discuss with Jeremy if this project fits in with GWRC plans and policy.

### 5.4 Uphill from the HUB to OCR

It was agreed the proposed route may be  $> 4^\circ$  to shorten the length and give the riders a challenge. Note: Grade 3 uphill is  $0 - 5^\circ$  for 90% of its length and may be  $5 - 9^\circ$  for sections of the trail up to 100m long. Dan and Paul are to check, map and mark a possible route.

#### 6. Trail Maintenance

6.1 Electric Avenue
As noted above in trail review

#### 6.2. Weta

Installation of berm drain pipe is outstanding.

It was raised that the entrance to the Weta bridge in the current wet and slippery condition may be dangerous. It may require excavation of right bank to get a better alignment between trail and bridge. There was not general agreement among the committee that modification to the bridge approach was required as the current wet trail conditions require caution at all times.

Weta trail exit sign onto Slogger Logger required.

#### 6.3. Borderline

The easier diversion around the steep chutes constructed by BNZ at Closed for Good has fallen into relative disuse. It was discussed that this section of the trail should be better sign posted so it is known and used more frequently by the less skilled riders.

#### 6.4. Bull Run

Work on lower third of Bull Run is the next priority and will be completed on the next one or two work parties. Work to include:

- Gratings to be installed in two chutes on lower third of trail to stabilise the track surface.
- Reconstruction of parts of trail from the start of the upper grassy section to the finish.
- Removal of Ruts and grass overgrowth on lower grassy sections.
- General trail maintenance.

#### 6.5. Hilti Hoes.

No progress on the agreed purchase as out of stock. It was decided to delay purchase as the current inventory of tools is satisfactory.

#### 7. BNZ Closed for Good 2017

Dan has submitted a request to BNZ for voluntary labour on 23 August.

Angus is to supervise BNZ employees with Dan's assistance. More supervisors are required for part of the day.

Check with GWRC if more trees available for planting

BNZ are to work on:

- New entrance Electric Avenue.
- Tree planting?
- Electric Ave berm reconstruction and improved line of sights.
- Grade 5 trail tree clearance?

# 8. Wellington Enduro Series

No update.

# 9. Bike Repair Station

Matt is to get quotes for bike station to be located at the woolshed. Dan is to discuss feasibility of project with GWRC.

### 10. Trail Fund AGM

Dan is to attend the AGM in Nelson the weekend of 23 September

# 9. Summary of Actions Arising

Working Bee 9 July for maintenance on Bull run. ΑII Karl Liaison with Wellington MTB for inclusion in the 2018 Wellington Enduro Series. Scope and mark a proposed uphill route from end of Electric Avenue. Dan Specify requirements at C4/Weta/ELA Hub and discuss with GWRC. ΑII Progress and complete Grade 5 Downhill trail consent. **GWRC** Read MOU and formulate recommendations for updating for next meeting. ΑII Borderline & Weta Signage. Dan. Bike Repair Station quotes. Matt. Check availability of trees for BNZ to plant in regenerating areas. Dan

## 9. Next Meeting

Scheduled for 7.00 pm Thursday 27 July 2017 at Stratton St Woolshed.

Bruce McHardy; Secretary, BAMBA