

GHORBA Board of Directors Meeting May 23, 2011

Meeting Agenda and Minutes

In attendance:

Rafael, Rustam, Highfield, Beg, Marcus, Russell, Carla, Veljko, Justin

Minutes of last mtg. adopted

President

Thank you letters that can be framed were suggested. Suggestion to provide sponsoring stores with official plaque.

Renew tax exempt status.

Suggestion to provide sponsoring stores with official plaque. General agreement.

Our membership to Volunteer match to be cancelled. Membership fees have already been allowed to lapse.

VP Trails

Trail volunteer time is paper submittal process only and not all hours are being captured.

Limiting our ability to promote volunteer support to sponsoring organizations.

MP needs rain. Red trails needs bridge and budget is available. RA proposing collaborative project with MP Conservancy

THP: bridge fixed. but regular work parties needed. Signage being worked on. We spent \$4700 of REI's money. Walt Peckham didn't want making things public until more stuff is completed.

More projects needed but leadership not leading. **WR will followup with ED and PT on being proactive. Action WB to send progress report to P3 and REI.**

Flintdidge: new guy KevinNew expansions being built by rogues builders. Some bridges are bad. Parks dept. needs to be told these bridges are not GHORBA's . Robert Collins is running for County commissioner.

Bikelane - Carl Barton trail steward Possible.

HSP: Ken Hilger

Cywood going well

Cywood Improper maintained off the books by non GHORBA folks- about 10 . .Almost all land is in flood control district. Parks dept. has no money. Jim Robertson is pursuing land acquisition.

Pump track suggestion (north) inside private community.. No interest. BGI meeting. No one North seems to be interested. Since it's not public. Andrew is talking to RA. **Action KH to follow-up.**

Lockwood pump track: Parks Board waiting for copy of RA presentation. **Action RA.**
Sugarland one more wp to finish 1.25 miles.

RF: Kemah park eager to get started. Canal drainage dirt - Suggestion made to have parks dept. talk to S&S about planning a pump track. **Action RF to send info to board.**

Champions Forest 250 acres purchased from country club. Its part of Cy Creek Greenway,

Budget

BRC approx 8k profit. Carla to close out BRC for 2011.
Signature on bank accounts restricted to Bill and Carla.

2ND speaker in 2011. 1st speaker was great success, consider bigger venue for next time and possibly working with bike shop/manufacturer in getting a team rider. RA needs to get estimate for venue cost.

Budget will be adjusted at June mtg.

Other items tabled for June meeting.

RTP grants will be announced next week. If we win, we can spend in two months time.

Support for local trails.

Sugar Land River Bend Park may get grant for parking lot.
\$4500 Exxon sponsorship to be left in grant account and not moved to general account. Motion approved.

Advocacy Report

SHTC - there will be a new forest mgmt. plan. Master plan for trails in SH will be part of it.
Warren Oja wants trails mapped out. Cyclists are late with mapping. **KH action to check what is sufficient to map:** gps, hand drawn, or even flagged. Wade Foreman is a good resource can also draw maps.

June 4. **NTD Action: KH to work**

TPW wants to take over Compartment 50. If HSP takes over from FS land. Chris Holms was told GHORBA would be reinvolved.

Bike Lane / Land will be tapped to provide trail leadership.

\$3k left over from Bikes Belong due to USFS donated services. KH to confirm left over funds can be released to USFS. And whether these fund can be directed towards 1 mile section to

use to pay crew to clear old road,

General meeting and ride 2nd Mon. in month.

Marcus formally voted in as Secretary.