

WALK! BIKE! BROCKPORT!
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2011

Attending: Peter Randazzo, Mike Schaeffer, Harry Shifton, Barbara and Joe Blossenhauer, Norm Frisch, Jim Wissler, Lucille Ribble, Richard Fenton, Ray Duncan, Alicia Fink, Jim Goetz, Margay Blackman, Dick Rizzo. Duncan chaired the meeting.

1. Peter Randazzo: Trail Dedication Ceremony Update: Pete presented a **comprehensive draft** for the **trail dedication ceremony**.
 - Tentative dates for this ribbon-cutting event: June 2 or 3, 2012, or June 9 or 10. Final decision to be made by the February meeting. Needs to be put on the Village events calendar. Suggested that we contact Recreation Dept. to help with the event. Ray will lead in advertising. We may try to line up music for the event.

2. Harry Shifton: **Lakeside Hospital (LH) contact** report and **Dock Project Update**.
 - Harry has contacted LH; plans in motion to take a few Beikirk residents to the trail to see if it is wheel chair accessible, weather permitting. Plans underway to construct a dock with kayaks available at Commissary Park at the college. Student in charge of this project will attend one of our upcoming meetings (perhaps in January) to give us an update. Another dock will become available at the Sweden Senior Center.

3. Barbara Blossenhauer: **Flower Planting Project, North side of Erie Canal between Main and Park Street**.
 - Barbara gave a detailed report on fall plantings and future plantings.
 - Pam Ketchum has suggested a community drive for memorial planters (a la our "Sitting Pretty" bench project), with a cast of volunteers to car for the plants and planters. Pros and cons discussed; no final decision.

4. Alicia Fink: **WBB's Financial Relationship with the Greater Brockport Development Corporation (GBDC) discussion**:
 - Alicia reported having difficulty with our financial arrangement with the GBDC. Poor communication with its Treasurer. We are concerned, on top of this problem, that GBDC will soon charge 5 percent to handle our money. Alicia will look into this issue.

5. Ray Duncan: **Cycling Brockport:**

- Cycling Brockport, a great cycling organization run by Josh McClean, who works at Brockport's Bicycle Outfitters on Main Street, conducts local rides throughout the summer. It would be great if WBB could adopt Cycling Brockport as an auxiliary organization. Link Cycling Brockport's web site with WBB's Web Site. A possibility to be looked into.

6. Ray Duncan: **Walking and Biking Maps**

- So it turns out many hiking, walking and biking maps for the greater Brockport are available. WBB can post their locations on its web site -- a link that has a great walking map of Brockport.
- Norm Frisch brought other maps he has developed. These depict other possible sites of interest, i.e. Memorial Benches. It was the consensus of the group that we expand the locations of the maps already printed—churches, businesses, government buildings, etc.
- **We should form a maps and brochures committee to pursue publication of new maps, updating old ones, coordinating with other local service organizations in financing their publication.**

7. Alicia Fink: **WBB's Gateway Painting beside the Railroad Bridge**

- WBB's Arts and Aesthetics Committee has discussed the need to repair our Gateway Painting. If the owners of the billboard (same owners of the nearby apartments), their name would go on the bottom of the billboard & we would pay the cost of a new gateway painting by Helen Smagorinsky. To be continued.

8. Harry Shifton: **Will pursue the possibility of WBB selling condiments on the trains running of Medina next year**

9. Jim Wissler [Lakeside CEO]: Discussed the possibility of **Unity Health Care Group's drive to build a facility behind Wegmans**. He expressed concern that such a move will drive Lakeside Hospital out of business. He will keep us informed about the evolution of this situation.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Lucille Ribble, substitute secretary.

