

MRCC Minutes November 28, 2018
Call to Order: 7:03 pm @ 105 Riverside Lane
Treasurer's report was accepted
Minutes were approved

Member's present: 15, Guest: 1

Presentation: Alternative Method for Handling Funding: A meeting was held at the Marietta Community Foundation with Heather to discuss how the foundation would handle the clubs funds should the club disband. Heather stated the foundation would comply with the clubs wishes and had a history of where money was distributed. An alternative plan was explained should the club feel it advantageous in the future. At least two club members would be involved in all requests. Those present were Dan Jones, Peter Prigge, and Wendy Frye.

Following this meeting, the select committee established during the October MRCC meeting (Peter Prigge, Roger Paterson, Paul Lewis, Marie Ralston, Wendy Frye, David Paskawych) met three times to discuss alternatives as the club moved forward without a president. In November in a conversation with Judy and Paul Lewis, a member of the MRCC stepped forward and submitted his name for the position of president. The election to vote for officers will be held during the December meeting. With Tom Street stepping forward to become the president the committee changed directions and the club will continue as in the past by controlling the club funds. It was suggested the club develop a plan to do an inventory of the club's possessions. Inventory items to include the following:

1. Club inventory of items in the Lockhouse needs to be done to determine the value
2. Of the 4 boats owned by the club, the Marietta and Wherry (built by John Clark) are usable
3. Oars, life jackets, coolers, wooden rim, bike stand and misc. tools. (One option for oars is to donate to restaurants for decoration)
4. Pictures, mobile, etc.

DMUT: A meeting was held at the Devola Volunteer fire department on November 13. Several members attended and were dissatisfied with the engineer's findings. The head of the engineering firm gave a final summary. The meeting was the last discussion period; however, residents may provide input through December 15. The head engineer used maps conveying what they were leaning towards. After the initial information was presented, the attendees broke into groups and the firm took questions. Nothing was decided. It was determined making the river road to the dam a one-way street was not feasible (per fire department, rescue teams, etc.). Chamberlain and Masonic Park roads were listed as options to be decided by Devola and/or Muskingum Township. Colgate to 821 has several problems. The slipway at 821 and Route 60 could be removed to slow traffic, but doubtful ODOT would do that. The problem at Colgate is too many driveways: i.e. Speedway, IGA, Hucks, and Greenleaf. One solution might be to go up and around the old trolley roadbed. The firm was not making recommendations just suggestions. They stated the path must be handicap accessible citing wheelchairs, strollers, 5% grade, and other criteria as factors.

Phase 5 River Trail: Roger Kalter reported work was being done on the trail extension to Walmart. The discussion included necessity of lighting.

River Rendezvous Ride 2019: Missy Shea reported plans are in the works for the June 1st & 2nd River Rendezvous ride. She will need volunteers. Paul Lewis previously suggested to Missy offering contributions to other clubs, i.e. Dragon Boat, Marietta Adventure Co., etc.) as incentive for volunteers. Missy is working on building the form, pricing, and online access for the January stuffing party. The club will need to make decisions in December regarding different routes. One change will be eliminating the offer for the 90 mile ride. It is difficult getting volunteers to stay for 1 or 2 riders. The lunch stop will be in Beverly – other than problems with some signage, the location has been a success. Route 266 is now open but considered barren, long, steep, no shade and no shoulder. It was decided to stick with the back route for safety reasons.

Marietta College dorm room pricing. The club was just breaking even on the cost of rooms so it was decided to increase the single rooms to \$50/night and the double rooms to \$45/night. The riders will receive a \$10 refund after the ride.

Discounts will be offered for early registration: \$60 if paid before April 1, \$65 if paid before May 1. After May 1 the cost will be \$70. These prices do not include the cost for the Valley Gem.

2019 Calendar: Marie Ralston will work on developing a calendar for next year. If you have something to put on calendar please let Marie know

Holiday Light tour: Jessica from the Marietta Adventure Company will be checking with associates regarding the ride. This is not a MRCC function but members are willing to assist

Lockmasters House: nothing to report

New Business:

1. John Clark will prepare budget for December meeting. Dues will be collected in January. \$10 for individual, \$15 for family.
2. John Clark, Rick and Marie Ralston will start working on cleaning up the email list. Linda Lewis offered assistance if needed. The intent is to determine who pays the club dues, who volunteers but not members, and those who are no longer involved.
3. Jessica from the Marietta Adventure Company introduced herself and stated she is reaching out to outdoor clubs offering assistance with social media. She volunteered to do a social media platform for the MRCC and needs information, schedules, calendar and communication from the group. Peter Prigge and Rick Ralston gave her their contact information.

Next Meeting: December 19 at Over the Moon Pizza, upstairs. Parking in the back. The club will not be charged for the room but please purchase beverages and food prior to going upstairs. The meeting will start at **6:00**.

Meeting dismissed at 8:34 pm.

Lost and Found: Lovely black and brown scarf. To claim please call 740-336-7298