

“CYCLE BROOKFIELD” MEETING RECAP
THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025
LSF BROOKFIELD LIBRARY—7:00 p.m.

Joe O. called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Present:

Joe O’Conner, Pete Janunas, Elaine Jans, Jacque Jones, Ken Knasiak, Joe Seymour, Robin Fuener, Carolyn Morris, Jason Phillip, Karl Sokol

1. Approval of Minutes:

1.1 March 20, 2025 minutes were distributed. Motion was made by Joe O. to approve the minutes as written, and seconded by Elaine J. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Past Events Report:

2.1. First Friday Ride—April 4, 2025 6:00 p.m. – Compassion Factory

Joe O. reported that there were about 20 riders in attendance, despite the cool, damp weather.

2.2 10th Annual Run for 102 Race to the Finish – Saturday, April 12, 2025 -- Cossitt Avenue Elementary School, LaGrange, IL –8:00 a.m.

School District 102 reached out to Joe O’ asking for Cycle Brookfield’s participation in this event. Joe O’ and Jose Taino participated, representing Cycle Brookfield.

3. Current Business Review:

3.1 Finances – N/A

3.2 Membership – Joe O. reported that current membership is 32 units. Membership in April in previous years was as follows: 2024—51 members; 2023—117 members; and 2022—52 members. Joe O’ developed a postcard mailer to send to members either via email or snail-mail. Motion was made by Ken K. to authorize up to \$250 to print and mail the postcard, and seconded by Elaine J. Motion carried unanimously.

Elaine J. will ask Post Office if there is reduced postage for non-profits.

4.3 Inventory Review – N/A. Chris Rios sent an email that the 2025 CB T-shirt has been added to the Cycle Brookfield Website store. Cost is \$25.00.

Also added to the website is information for the Summer Social—Tickets--\$30.00, Summer Social Ticket + membership--\$50.00; 5 extra raffle tickets--\$5.00; 10 extra raffle tickets--\$10.00

Ink Your Wear that makes the CB t-shirts indicated that they could create an on-line store for CB; print on demand; and send the customer a text or email when the t-shirt was ready. They currently do not ship, but will look into this.

4. Village Planning Updates

4.1 Bicycle Racks -- Joe S. reported that there is not yet a set date when bicycle racks will be installed. He suggested a “Grand Opening” type of event when the first new bike racks are ready

5. Grants:

5.1 New Belgium Brewing Bicycle Advocacy grant program -- Joe S. reported the grants have not yet been awarded.

5.2 AARP Community Challenge – Joe S. reported the grants have not yet been awarded.

5.3. Active Transportation Alliance--\$200.00 –Joe O. sent in a grant application for Cycle Brookfield, which was due on April 14, 2025.

6. Upcoming Events

6.1 First Friday Ride – May 2, 2025 – 6:00 p.m. – Compassion Factory

6.2 Cycle Brookfield Tune Up is scheduled for Saturday, May 10, 2025 – 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Compassion Factory Garden

6.3 Cycle Brookfield 20 mile “Oak to Oak” ride is scheduled for Saturday, May 17, 2025 – 10:00 a.m. start – Meet at Imperial Oak Brewing/9526 Ogden Avenue Brookfield, IL. Pete J. will provide back up support.

6.4. Summer Social is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2025 – 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Imperial Oak Brewing. Food, refreshments and raffle prizes will be available.

6.5 Fourth of July Parade – Details to be discussed at June, 2025 meeting.

6.6. Light Up Your Bike Ride—This ride is usually held on the Friday after July 4th. However, this year the 4th of July falls on a Friday. It was suggested that the 2025 Light Up Your Bike ride be held on Friday, July 18, 2025, as Friday, as July 11, 2025 would conflict with Ride Riverside’s Second Friday ride. Event would start at 7:30 p.m. at the Compassion Factory, and it was suggested that the new Chicago Grit route be included in the ride.

6. Chicago Grit

7.1 Joe O. indicated that the first of three payments of \$3,333.00 will be due in April, 2025

Motion was made by Joe O. to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m. and seconded by Karl S. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Cycle Brookfield meeting to be held on Thursday, May 15, 2025

Minutes submitted by: Elaine Jans, Secretary