Royal Highlands Bike Club Meeting May 8, 2024

The monthly meeting of the RH Bike Club was called to order by President Tom Dixon at 4:02 p.m. in the Rec. center meeting room. Fourteen club members were present.

The minutes from the April meeting were read. Mike Kowalski moved to accept the report as read, seconded by Alicia Cooke. Motion passed.

Treasurer Jerry Freisinger reported a balance of \$266.82 in the club treasury. He stated that there are currently 13 households with 21 individuals as members. Bob Smith moved to accept this report, seconded by Mike Kowalski. Motion passed.

Tom initiated a review of the recent overnight trip in the Crawfordville, FL area. Some commented that they liked the trails while others said that the trails were not as nice as those nearby us here. Many thought the hotel had some drawbacks including the outdoor pool area, but it was explained that the area provided few options for overnight accommodations. All seemed to agree that was likely a "once and done" location to ride.

Tom announced that starting on October 10, 2024, the monthly meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month at 4 p.m.

Gary Sparks shared a report on trails in the New Smyrna Beach/Edgewater area of the state. All agreed that this location could provide an option for a multi-night trip in the fall. Tom and Bob will look into the ride and hotel options and report back at the October meeting, including with proposed dates and cost of accommodations.

Tom informed the club that the cost of maintaining the current club website (rhbike.org) has increased from \$45/year to \$192 effective next April. The consensus was that we would continue with the current website for the next year but not pay for the increased annual support costs after that, thus ending the club website next April.

A presentation was made to Jim Streight by his wife from his son to assist Jim on staying on his bike from now on. (The training wheels will hopefully be utilized.)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m. with 12 attendees adjourning to dinner at Oakwood Smokehouse.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Smith, Secretary