

Plymouth County Cyclists Meeting Minutes

PCC Minutes 03/02/2026

Members: Tom and Barb Galles, Bob and Julie Phillips, Dave and Kati Bak, Kris Daberkow, Curt Driggs, Debra Carlson and Mark Sturgeon.

February Minutes – motion to approve by Dave, Julie seconded, members agreed

Treasurers report and membership – Mark handed out the treasurer’s report. Board approved.

Discussions:

- 1) Tour de Plymouth will keep the same name for the 2026 event. The Siouxland cyclists (Bike SUX) were not ready yet to make this a 2-day event as the plans for the completed Plywood Trail areas are not guaranteed to be completed. Tom made the motion to approve; Dave seconded. Members agreed. The members assigned duties for the 2026 event and discussions will resume in the next couple of PCC meetings.
 - a) Date: June 7th
 - b) Time: same as past events
 - c) Starting location – Mark will contact Ben at Wise I
 - d) Band – Antonio and Mark-outside band, if possible. Mark will see if we can block off a small section of the street like they do for Oktoberfest.
 - e) Route – Dave will make maps
 - f) Food - TBD
- 2) RAGBRAI Route Announcement Party Kris Daberkow hosted. A huge success.
- 3) DNF (Do Not Freeze) Ride – Great turnout of 30-40 people. Publicity: KTIV (Kristen completed an interview) and the Brunsville Blitz. Next year’s notes: Post route ahead of time and make maps for riders. Get the phone number at The Corner Café because there is no WIFI in the building. Ask riders to park in back to free up parking on the streets.
- 4) Plywood Trail –Mark gave an update. Discussions held on the signs, stop signs, trail head work in Merrill and some Board member changes.
 - a) Someone potentially volunteered to remove snow from the trail in winter – working on the logistics of that
 - b) There will be 9 stop signs added to each crossover from LeMars to Sioux City for the protection of cyclists.

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- c) Plywood Trail Phase 3, trying to complete the trail from Hinton to SC, work to cross Dry Creek will proceed and be completed by May sometime.
 - d) Phase I to Merrill repairs and trail head work that needs to be completed could potentially be over the bidding \$62,000 threshold, contractor is working on the pricing to get it under the threshold and complete.
- 5) Share the Road signs – Dave and Mark will be meeting with Tom Rohe soon
- 6) Safety Fair-(National Bike to School day is May 6th)
- a) Date: May 14th
 - b) Time: TBD
 - c) Location: YMCA Parking Lot approximately 30-40 kids
 - d) Mark will check with Kevin at the police department for helmets and contact the YMCA.
 - e) Julie will make the flyers
 - f) Dave will bring some bikes
 - g) Susie will oversee food, hot dogs and chips and Debra will bring milk donated by Kemps
 - h) Check with Jessica at CBD-Convention and Visit Bureau for extra publicity
- 7) Plymouth County Cyclists took a vote to NOT renew our membership to the LeMars Chamber of Commerce.
- a) The Chamber asked us to contribute \$225 to advertise the Plymouth County Cyclists on their website and we voted not to be a chamber member.
- 8) Tour de Plywood 2027
- a) Mark announced we were approved for a \$1500.00 grant. Talking about teaming up with Bike SUX (Sioux City).
- 9) Need to determine who will oversee maps for all future events.
- 10) Cranksgiving date is set for November 7th.

Motion to adjourn by Kati, Kristen seconded, all in favor, members approved except Mark because Dave was still on the phone.

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Next Meeting April 6th, 2026, Le Mars American Legion, **7:00** pm

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Carlson