

Notes from Bike/Hike Meeting
June 18, 2013

Present: Lynn Goldman, Chairman, Andy Clark, Bob Ready, Rick Colello, Shawn Touhill, Board of Supervisors Liaison, Judy Hendrixson, Marilyn Jacobson, Peter Fernandez, Tom Kelso, Vice Chairman, Elsie White, Mary Pat Holewinski, Chris Stanford, Bruce Taylor, Andy Hamilton, Steve White and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

Great American Clean Up - Recap

Ms. Mason reported that it was a good event. Several students from Unami volunteered as well as Boy Scouts. Recommend holding the event again next year near Earth Day.

Destination Peace Valley Update

July 17, 2013 the County Commissioners will approve the easement at their meeting, which will be held at Peace Valley. Recommend as many committee members attend as possible. The contracts with Baker for this project were approved by both New Britain Borough and Doylestown Township.

Neshaminy Greenway Trail Phase III – DVRPC Grant Update

The agreement with the County for the use of Open Space money \$310,204.00 was approved by the County and intended to be approved on June 18th by the Board of Supervisors. That will enable construction to begin after receipt, we still need the ENS and NPDS, they were requirements to resubmit. Hopefully the DEP and the Army Corp & waterway issues have been addressed. Don't anticipate any more problems as they are dealing with a small bridge over the wetlands as was recommended.

Mr. Stanford believes that things should be moving by fall with installation.

Ms. Mason also, reported that the \$10,000 PECO Green Region Grant for the kiosks, that are slated to be done. Recommendation is to have Katch McGurk install tiles, Peter's Pots would be able to assist with fabrication.

SEPTA – Lower State Road Railroad Crossing

PennDot agreed to have signs, Dismount Bike at Railroad Crossing, installed. Met with residents of properties, they are receptive as is SEPTA for a long term improvement, perhaps going under the railroad, tunneling under to get the bikes and pedestrians to go that way versus over. This will certainly help the cross country teams out of C B West.

Recommendation was also to contact the Martins and see about obtaining the necessary easement from them at this time as well as reaching out to the Ball Property.

Trail Extension New Britain Road

This is part of complete streets. There is a road with a 24' wide 12' lanes, at the bridge its 10' travel with the fog line. There is a fair amount of traffic but plenty of site distance, room to separate, 3' to 4' paved shoulder

and guiderail about 17' off the shoulder, there is an opportunity to put in reflectors, this is something that needs to be done and certainly worth pursuing when the roadway is paved.

Perhaps discuss a 3 way stop or a crosswalk needs to be painted.

Mr. Hamilton & Mr. Kelso went to Buckingham and talked about Sugarbottom Rd and adding to the area. Also, Cross Keys working with Buckingham Township was discussed.

Ms. Hendrixson talked about Neshaminy Greenway and Almshouse Road and the need to obtain the easements from New Britain Township.

It was suggested that Ms. Mason contact Eileen Bradley at New Britain Township to set up a meeting to see if the three properties on Tamanend could be obtained for easements.

Ms. Goldman recommended for the Committee to start thinking about scooters and long boards should be allowed to be used on the pathways and trails. This is something Chief Logan should look thoroughly at as well.

Silhouettes

Ms. Hendrixson provided an update so the teachers are on board, the graphics department isn't needed anymore and they can just work with the medal shop as they can do their own graphics and cut the metal as well. The hope is to obtain two more silhouettes sometime after school gets started and install them.

Plant Needs

Almshouse Road and the kiosks area would be appropriate.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:15am.