

**Bike/Hike Meeting Minutes**  
**September 15, 2020, 8:00am – Meeting was held via Zoom**  
**DRAFT**

**Present:** Lynn Goldman, Chairman; Judy Hendrixson, Vice Chairman; Roger Clark; Randall Cohen; Larry Gage; Marilyn Jacobson; Tom Kelso; Rick James; Steve Disciullo, Baker Engineers; Andrew Golds and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

Visitors: None

**Minutes Approval** – Approval of the minutes from August 18, 2020, Ms. Hendrixson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Gage. Minutes approved unanimously.

**Review - Step into September Flyer - September 12<sup>th</sup> PA Trails Celebration Month –**

September 12<sup>th</sup> event took place at the Poole's Corner Park & Ride Lot. Earlier in the morning the Environmental Advisory Councils from Doylestown Township and Borough planted trees and although we had a small crowd the Step into September Video that the Telecommunications Advisory Board put together and aired on Social Media from the Township and the other municipalities was viewed 700 times.

Overall the event was nice, it was also suggested that improving upon the map and having a story map maybe beneficial going forward. Ms. Hendrixson indicated that she knows some map makers in the area and that it might be appropriate to start working with them on creating a better interactive map for people to utilize when they want to go on rides. Also making it easily accessible for tweaks and updates by Township Staff is important.

Mr. Kelso indicated that he and Ms. Mason had met with the Bucks County Planning Commission and they had demonstrated to the committee a couple of months ago the story map that they are working with. At present that is limited, although we have a proposal however, he believes it should come from a grant with the Visitors Bureau and the Bucks Bike Club. It was noted that Poole's Corner needs to be added to the map.

**Review of Projects**

**Route 202 Trail Feasibility Study – Update**

Mr. Disciullo, Baker Engineers provided the update. He said that they have work to do but he has walked the entire area and believes it is time to start scheduling a public meeting that will have to be via Zoom. Perhaps a Zoom Webinar with chat options and polling features could be incorporated as part of the project.

Of course, we will start at the Walt Berry Trailhead and end at Poole's Corner as the study limit. We have to figure out if we will be on the north or south side and the options. It was suggested that access around Morgan Hill and Rolling Hill Boulevard is a bit tricky and will need to be addressed. Mr. Kelso indicated that it may benefit from a 3 Way Stop. There is an existing trail on Warden Road that could be picked up and parallel the 202 Parkway. At Easton Road getting off and being able to access the proposed WAWA is key, it was suggested to put the trail on the west side of the road at that point so it can tie into the proposed trail along S. Main St. There will also be a traffic signal at the one intersection as well.

Discussion regarding access along the golf course where it will parallel the 202, there is plenty of room to go under the bridge but the Country Club should be included in discussions.

At Pebble Hill there was discussion about a stair or ramp that could bring people using the trail off of 202 and down to Pebble Hill Road. Finishing off at Poole's Corner will complete the trail.

The thought is at this point in time perhaps a meeting in late October would be appropriate. Suggest a subcommittee with Doylestown Borough to begin the planning.

### **Old New Road - Update**

Mr. Kelso indicated that he, Mr. Tomko, Mr. Garr and Ms. Mason walked the entire length from Buck Road to Bristol Road and having residents in the area very interested in the trail is very important.

It doesn't look too difficult essentially since the area will have new sewer & water installed. There will be some structures that will need to be addressed and crossing point but he is going to work on sketching something up, incorporating some of the plans and information that is out there.

In addition the Township reached out to Warrington Township and they are interested in connecting along Bristol Road to the schools in Warrington Township. Perhaps eventually all the way down Bristol to the 202 Parkway.

These will be multiyear/multi-faceted grants that will need to be applied for.

### **Neshaminy Greenway – Bristol to Upper State – Update**

The bridge work is almost complete and people are starting to use it already. Everything will be completed and open in 4 – 6 weeks. It was suggested to have a ribbon cutting, Ms. Mason is going to reach out to Ms. Bradley in New Britain Township regarding the opportunity.

### **Turk Road Area Feasibility - Implementation of Study Findings**

At the moment Penn Dot is aware of the project. We are in a holding pattern for future funding before anything can be implemented.

### **Shady Retreat Safe Routes to School Trail – Update –**

Is ongoing. Waiting for some Penn Dot approvals as well as the Township Solicitor to complete the paperwork with the right of way/easement with Stonington Farms that is being donated

The signal unit and Penn Dot has met with the Township in the field at Shady Retreat and Hospital Drive, which is moving forward.

### **Bucks County Trail – Update –**

No Report

### **Pump Tract – Update –**

No Report

### **Other Business / New Projects for Consideration**

Ms. Goldman indicated that New Britain Township paved the road that goes up to Peace Valley, she indicated that it is a shame that they didn't put markers or sharrows or anything on the road.

Ms. Hendrixson indicated that the residents across the street near the cemetery experienced some drainage issues and had some logs and debris come across from the Township side. It was suggested having the Township reach out and look at that area, it may just have to be cleaned up.

Ms. Mason indicated that she did alert the County to the necessary weed cutting at Pine Run Reservoir.

Ms. Goldman asked if the committee was fine to continue to meet via Zoom and they were so Zoom will be utilized for the time being.

**Adjournment** - Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:05am. The next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 8:00am via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted by:

Stephanie J. Mason  
Township Manager