

Doylestown Community Bike/Hike Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2023, 8:00am
Doylestown Township Municipal Building

Present: Tom Kelso; Steve Disciullo, Baker Engineers; Mary Pat Holewinski; Roger Clark; Rick James; Cynthia Jones; Emily Valmour; Bill Wert; Dan Wood, Board of Supervisors Liaison; and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

Guest: Judy Dixon

Minutes Approval January 17, 2023 meeting, on motion of Ms. Holewinski, seconded by Mr. James the minutes were approved with one change. On page 2, paragraph 5, heading was added Artwork.

Easton Road Trail Connector Plan - Update

Mr. Disciullo, Baker Engineers indicated that the Township has not heard about the grant application to DCED. He also indicated that the PennDOT roundabouts are progressing. No start time but, expect something this year or early 2024.

New Britain Trail Project – Update

Mr. Disciullo, Baker Engineers indicated that the design work is almost complete, he is tweaking the Rolling Hill / New Britain Road / Morgan Hill access request to provide some plans of crossing Morgan Hill Drive so that they can be shared with the Morgan Hill Homeowners Association. Also discussing the potential three-way stop, hopefully be able to finalize construction designs soon.

Shady Retreat Safe Routes to School Trail – Update

Mr. Disciullo, Baker Engineers is close to finalizing everything. Ms. Mason indicated that the Board has authorized execution of the documents upon receipt. The documents were received last Friday and sent to the solicitor for review. She will be working through them with DVRPC.

Pump Track

Closed for the Winter

Prioritizing list of Future Projects

Mr. Kelso indicated that from the time a project gets in the pipeline it is about a 5-year process to run a project from concept, feasibility, design and eventually construction. He reviewed some of the future projects in the various segments. One project would be the Doylestown Country Club easement which has been received another is the Brooks Tract, there is about 1000' that should be done by the developer and then we can add on segments to Pebble Hill Road and towards Cherry Lane.

Mr. Kelso indicated that the next step would be to pull some numbers together and start to see which ones would qualify for the grants, which ones might be able to be done inhouse and which ones need engineering.

Mr. Clark inquired about the bridge on East Rd.

Mr. Disciullo indicated that it is not part of the bridge bundle projects that PennDOT will be doing but it is wide enough to allow for a crossing. He also indicated that it could be part of the goal for the segments on East Rd.

Mr. Clark seemed pleased with that information. Mr. Clark also indicated that there is a resident he is aware of on Cherry at the corner of Springs that may provide the necessary easement for trail access and share the road access as well.

New Britain Township reported that they have a bid out for the Neshaminy Greenway for the Coleman property. New Britain Borough indicated they are working on some sidewalks.

There was discussion that Warrington Township is doing a lot of work with trails along Lower State Rd to Mill Creek Elementary School, that is a big component and connector along Lower State Rd.

The County is working on the Rail Trail to Quakertown and Levittown.

Mr. Wood inquired about Old New Road and the speeding cars that we often get complaints and way to slow them down. Perhaps adding bike lanes may do that. Also, that is a connector to Central Bucks South High School. Eventually along Bristol Road connecting someday to the 202 Parkway.

Adjournment - Being no further the meeting adjourned at 9:07am. The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 8:00 am** at the Doylestown Township Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted by:

Stephanie J. Mason
Township Manager