

Doylestown Township Bike/Hike Committee
Meeting Notes
May 13, 2025 8:00 am
Doylestown Township Municipal Building

Present: Lynn Goldman, Chairman; Judy Hendrixson; Marilyn Jacobson; Larry Gage; Rick James; Caitlin Hernandez, Doylestown Borough; Mary Pat Holewinski; Nicole McElroy; Cynthia Jones, New Britain Township; Chris Stanford, Michael Baker Engineers; Judy Dixon, Board of Supervisors Liaison and Stephanie J. Mason, Township Manager.

Guests: Scott Vogin, Warrington Township Bike & Hike Trails Committee

Welcome

Ms. Goldman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes Approval – April 15, 2025 – On motion of Ms. Hendrixson, seconded by Ms. Jacobson the minutes were unanimously approved.

Trail User Code – Motorized bicycles, scooters etc. – Continued Discussion

Ms. Mason shared the document of the proposed ordinance amendment regarding E-bikes and the like on trails throughout the Township which could then be implemented in other municipalities. Mr. Kelso and Ms. Mason met with Chief Zeigler, his only concern for the document was that if you followed with the appropriate signage throughout the trail network. The Committee agreed and indicated that funds that the Committee has raised could be used to offset some of those costs.

Easton Road Trail Township to Borough - Update

The grant has been received; initial engineering design work has begun but it is on hold as other projects are taking precedence.

Pebble Hill Trail – Update

The study is being done by DVRPC. Mr. Stanford indicated that his team met with Doylestown Borough taking it from the Mercer Museum property to the Township line. The Borough is going to apply for a TASA Grant when it comes out, it will be a two-step process, most likely application will be submitted sometime in the fall. The Borough's going to keep a Bike Lane on Green Street, there is no street parking so there shouldn't be conflict, they're also going to install more speed tables as part of this project and completing it as they approach Doylestown Country Club in the Township. There will be a crosswalk installed as well from the bike lane at some point on to the County Club property they will need to create and access to the proposed trail that goes across the Country Club property. There are some areas where they are going to need some retaining walls which they would like to landscape and create sidewalk in the Borough section; roadway remains the same with traffic calming and speed tables as you move along the area. This will be a TASA Grant and there will be a rapid flashing beacon included as part of the project. This will need to be mentioned by Mr. Kelso when he makes the presentation to the Board of Supervisors with the hope that funding could be finalized for studying where easements needed are for the rest of the trail from the Country Club down to Pebble Valley.

New Britain Road Trail Project – Update

This project is out for bid, there is a pre-bid meeting after this meeting, there are various alternates that have been added as well to the bid project.

Safe Cycling for School Children – Update

Ms. McElroy noted that there is really not much of an update, she is still working with Carly at TMA. They have nothing scheduled, hoping to do something in the fall like a Bike to School Day and also get the program back into the schools based on information from Ms. Wyckoff regarding curriculum in the Physical Education area where bike safety is required. She is hoping to Carley at TMA to continue to promote that, also working with the principle at Kutz and the PE teacher and hopes to establish the program for safe cycling.

Update County Trail Projects

Parker from the County indicated that Neshaminy Greenway groundbreaking at Core Creek Park would be May 29th at 1PM. Phase One is moving along.

Pump Track

Ms. Hernandez reported that Pedal Palooza had to be postponed to June 3rd due to the weather. The event will be at Broad Commons. They are raising money, they have a \$50,000 goal, \$25 per person donation is being requested.

Prioritize List of Future Projects:**Proposed Trail at Pine Run**

Mr. Kelso will need to present this to the Board of Supervisors and get a letter of intent to begin conversations with the County.

Chalfont Borough – Ms. Jacobsen reported that they have 1,000 feet of trail \$225,000 grant, they just put it out to bid, received 15 bids, with the adds / alternates the low bid was \$166,000. Hoping to get that approved at an upcoming council meeting.

Mr. Stanford indicated that he has hired a new staff person, Rodney Salizar, who will be new representative at these meetings from time to time.

Adjournment – Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:40am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Stephanie J. Mason
Township Manager