

Notes from Bike/Hike Meeting December 20, 2011

Present: Lynn Goldman, Chairman, Tom Kelso, Vice Chairman, Chris Stanford, Amy Mazzanti, Phil Ehlinger, Rick Colello, Board of Supervisors Liaison, Dick Patterson, Peter Fernandez, Robin Trymbiski, New Britain Borough Manager, and Stephanie Mason, Doylestown Township Manager.

Ventresca Property

Mr. Showalter and Mr. Ventresca were present. They presented their sketch plan for the property which they had shown to the Township Planning Commission. They are thinking of doing a 3 lot subdivision with open space as part of one lot. The construction of a path along Keeley Avenue was discussed and the ability to access the property from the back from the property owned by the County. The preference is to have the open space dedicated to the Township so it is easily accessible. They will be revising their plans and resubmitting.

Thompson Property

John Hornack and John Thompson were present, showing the development of the Toyota site with Bike/Hike Paths coming along Rt. 313. Mr. Hornack indicated that they have met with Penn Dot in the field along with Plumstead Township as one of the properties across the street will be developed shortly and it will be easier to tie in with the shopping center across the street having safe landings and access for the Bike/Hike Path. There was some discussion regarding Campbell Ave. and having it be a Stop or just having Stop signs on the Bike Path for crossing at a safe location. Everyone was pleased.

There was also some discussion that the detention basin along the bypass is used for people who go cross country running.

History of the Bike/Hike Committee

Is being updated by Corinne Cody at the present time.

Parkway Dedication

Anticipated for late fall of 2012. Baker Engineering is helping with the sponsorship, there will be refreshments, tents and a ride or walk from the Park & Ride on New Britain Road out and back or as far as people want to go. Mr. Ehlinger indicated that Uninvest had pulled out of the bike race in town and that they are working on developing the Bucks County Road Race to New Hope. It is the hope that the Bike & Hike Committee will help out in this. It is scheduled for September 17, 2012. The opening of the Parkway and the race may conflict. There were suggestions that there be give aways for the Parkway Dedication such as bells. People are going to talk to Eric.

DVRPC Phase II – Grant Application

We received Phase I in the amount of \$130,148. Phase II Destination to/from the New Britain Train Station area west through to the Chalfont Train Station is being submitted. That application was submitted on December 16, 2011 and that is a Planning Feasibility Grant which we are hoping to receive.

The committee discussed utilizing the review of Baker for Bike/Hike design and engineering for the coming year. The Bike & Hike Committee recommended the Board of Supervisors approve the agreement with Baker.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Next meeting Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 8AM