

Bike/Hike Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2017

Present: Lynn Goldman, Chairman; Tom Keslo; Judy Hendrixson; Mary Pat Holewinski; Chris Stanford, Michael Baker; Mike Zigler, Michael Baker; Dick Patterson; Dan Wood; Liz Wykoff; Marilyn Jacobson; Dave Tomko, Director of Operations; Taylor Thompson; and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

Guest:

Minutes Approval – The minutes from the July 18, 2018 meeting were approved.

Bucks County Bicycle Meeting – September 7, 2017 at 5PM at Doylestown Borough, hope everyone can attend.

Review of Projects

Neshaminy Greenway Update – Cemetery to New Britain Train Station, bids came in for about \$165,000 including the additional work. We need recommendation from the Committee to move this forward. Mr. Kelso is presenting this to the Board of Supervisors at tonight's meeting.

Ms. Goldman looked for consensus from the Committee and they gave their nod to move this project forward and award the bids.

Mr. Stanford indicated that PECO had already moved the guide wire on the Emmel Property.

Ms. Hendrixson mentioned that she saw two benches that have been added to the trail along the creek. She thought they were great spots. Ms. Mason told her that it was an Eagle Scout Project by Jonathan Vincente.

Lower State Road Update – Mr. Stanford indicated that anticipation for this project to be done at the end of October. Plans for a Ribbon Cutting should begin now so that it could occur sometime in late fall, maybe early Novembers. It was suggested that the Ribbon Cutting take place at the Del Val Farm Market because that is the beginning of the route and has lots of parking.

Either October 28th at 1:00pm or November 4th around 3:00pm would be optimal.

Ms. Mason will check with Joe Gukovan, perhaps get the CB High School West Jazz Band, it is 25 years of the Committee so we can wrap it all into one.

Arts Festival – Discussion regarding the Arts Festival, having a table where we could have some Save the Date Cards. This is the weekend of September 10th & 11th, Ms. Hendrixson, Ms. Wyckoff and Ms. Goldman will meet to discuss this event.

Turk Road Trail Extension to Pebble Hill Road Update – The grant application has been submitted, we are waiting to hear from DCNR regarding the Feasibility Study. The hope would be to receive this and be able to do this next year.

Bucks County CMAQ Grant Update – Bucks County Planning Commission Project, surveying of the project, design process will probably take two years for permitting. They have applied for a grant for the next phase of the project as well; this will take it further down the Neshaminy.

Other Business –

Pine Run Community – Go a round – Ms. Goldman suggested a need for a trail around the dam connecting to the Pine Run Community need someone from the Pine Run area who is very interested in this. It would also be helpful to update the map for September.

Pump Tract – Ms. Wykoff indicated that this project is in the Borough over at Fanny Chapman, they are fundraising at the moment and have received about \$4,000 in about 25 days on the Go Fund Me site. They also have a \$6,000 donation that was received and it is a design/build for about \$18,000. They are hoping to receive funds from the Central Bucks Bike Club as well.

Mr. Kelso suggested that this may be another good location for a Bike Repair location and that Mr. Ruddy may be able to help with that.

TAP Grant – Mr. Kelso presented a power point to the group, proposal for the grant Shady Retreat, Sandy Ridge and Burpee Roads trail project on Limekiln.

It would be 10' wide trail starting at Burpee and Shady Retreat tie in the Business Route 202 at Burpee and bring it down from Shady Retreat and Burpee Roads to Limekiln, down Limekiln to the Hospital. At Shady Retreat make a left on Limekiln using the easement received from the Snyder Property to Sandy Ridge, down Sandy Ridge tying in to the trail that exists around Meetinghouse and of course, this would connect into the Broad Street trail as well.

It would also connect to the Doyle Elementary; Lenape Middle School and CB West High School trails that come out Lovers State Road to the University.

Mr. Kelso indicated that there is a lot of right of way and easements that exist. There is some sidewalk that would need to be widened or switched out to black top trail. This is going to be a presentation to the Board of Supervisors it will also connect to New Britain Borough further down Shady Retreat at Business Route 202 with the Knoll Property.

The consensus of the Committee was that this is a great project and should be pursued vigorously.

Peace Valley Trail – Mr. Patterson asked the status of this. Mr. Stanford indicated that New Britain Township is working on it. They have acquired some property easements along Creek Road and the County is moving along with installing trail around Peace Valley Park.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:04am. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 18, 2017.

Respectfully submitted by:

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