

Minutes – Bike and Hike Trail Committee

Warrington Township Building
852 Easton Road
Warrington, PA 18976

January 20, 2016– 7:30pm

Attendees: Gerry Sapers, Janet Bennett, Sharon Kaszan, Ira Meyers, and Aaron Mulder.

Liaison: Roy Rieder, Director of Planning and Special Projects and Zoning Officer, Warrington Township

Guest: Shirley Yannich, Chairperson of Board of Supervisors

Public Comment: None

Old Business

- a) Legal Status of Bike and Hike Committee – ordinance– Chairwoman Yannich informed us that in her research there is no resolution or ordinance that we exist. Since we have a \$1000-\$2000 budget, we need to be a legal entity. A copy of ordinance that was devised by township solicitor was reviewed. Need to add two items; to include that we establish programs to promote usage of biking and hiking trails, and that we have the ability to research Grant opportunities and, with the approval of the Board of Supervisors, to apply for Grants. Send revisions to Barry Luber. Once revised, the Ordinance needs to be advertised for Public comment and review.
- b) Election of new officers (if legal) - Chairwoman Yannich felt it was appropriate to vote for our Committee officers then we would be in place if Ordinance approved. Sharon Kaszan nominated Gerry Sapers for Chairperson. Ira Meyers second the nomination, then approved by unanimous vote. Janet Bennett nominated Aaron Mulder for Vice-Chairperson, Sharon second the nomination, then approved by unanimous vote. Gerry Sapers nominated Janet Bennett as Secretary, Sharon second the nomination and then passed by unanimous vote.
- c) New Trail developments – possibility of new grant proposals–With township personnel changes, the Trail planning committee needs to be reformed. Carroll Engineering to do the Wetlands delineation and topographic studies of the Route 202 to Bradford Dam trail. They are responsible for the design and getting permits. Then, CKS Engineering will take over. No grants applications with the DCNR will be submitted in Spring, 2016.
- d) Vacancies on Committee – publicity – We can solicit volunteers for our committee via the township website, the live streaming of the BOS meetings, and put an article in “The Link”. Chairwoman Yannich did say they did receive an application and will review if they are available to help our committee.

New Business:

- a) Warrington Cares re: Mini-triathlon – budget implications for Bike and Hike – Need to make sure we refer to this event as a **Sprint Triathlon**. Ira will be meeting with Barry Luber on Tuesday, January 26th. The biking will take place mainly on Pickertown Road and the run throughout the neighborhood near the pool. A timing company has been obtained and they also do a lot of the advertising for the event via blast emails.
- b) Spring Fling event – article for “The Link” by Feb. – Janet received an email from Barbara Livrone indicating that at the January 26th Spring Fling meeting, they are going to evaluate if this event is going to take place. If it does occur, we will proceed with the fishing derby and advertise appropriately via “The Link” and other methods.
- c) Spring Campout - need article for “The Link” by Feb. 5 – Janet will write up article. Time of event is dependent upon the occurrence of the Spring Fling.

- d) Designation of liaison from BOS – Roy Reider will remain our liaison. Chairwoman Yannich will distribute our minutes at the Board of Supervisors meetings. Trying to get more information out to the different committees for input on township developments. Need to have more cross communications between departments and committees regarding land development applications.

Approval of Minutes from December 16, 2015 meeting:

- a) Motion to approve the minutes by Sharon Kaszan, second by Gerry Sapers and passed by unanimous vote of the Committee by the members present at meeting.

Upcoming Agenda Items:

- a) Trail Planning Committee –

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm by Sharon Kaszan, second by Aaron Mulder, and passed by unanimous vote of the Committee

Next meeting: February 17, 2016 at 7:30pm in the Warrington Township Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Bennett, Secretary