

Minutes of the Bike and hike Committee
852 Easton Road
Warrington, PA 18976
Meeting Held October 18 2017

Call to order: Meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm by Gerry Sapers Chairman

Committee members present: Gerry Sapers, Chairman, Aaron Mulder, Vice chairman, Sharon Kaszan, Bernadette Maron, Scott Vogin, Ira Myers

Township Officials present: Shirley Yannick, Chairman Township Supervisor, Fred Gaines, Township supervisor, Roy Rieder, Township engineer

Public comment: Robert Shirley addressed the board. His grandson was a participant in the fishing derby, and he was interested in learning more about the committee. He also might be interested in filling a board vacancy. Gerry advised him to fill out an application and send it to Barry Luber for consideration.

Old Business

A. New trail development

Roy commented that a right of way was obtained on the Vesci property. Also, the Metropolitan Investment Group was going to put a trail in but was over budget. One problem was a tree that needs to be removed. The Township found a contractor to remove the tree. Once the tree is removed, the process is to extend the trail from the bridge to the Vesci property. Also, Roy mentioned that it would be easier to have trails designed or planned before buildings are occupied. There is a plan to connect Phillips Ave. to Wedge Way to Greensward N to Freedom's Way to the Firehouse. This is expected to be completed by next summer

With regard to the 202 trail, there is a plan to put a walking trail into **a set aside program. Federal government can pay 80% of the cost. The reason for the set aside is due to federal standards.**

Gerry wanted to use a trail along Warrington Glen Connector right of way for a hike under consideration.

B. Family Campout

Aaron said the campout didn't work out this year. One reason was a conflict with the Jewish holidays. It was suggested that we know the days of religious holidays

in advance, when selecting the date for Warrington Community Day and other Township events. This will enable us to pick a date for the campout early.

C Triathlon

Ira reported that the volunteers worked well. There were 175 participants in the Triathlon, and the event netted \$10,000-11,000. The date for the 2018 triathlon is September 9.

New Business:

A. Warrington hiking club

Gerry suggested a hike for the Warrington Hiking Club on trails in Kohler Park and near the Horsham Power Line Trail in Horsham. There is a possibility of a hike on a weekend around or after thanksgiving.

B. Warrington Community Day

On October 20^h there will be a wrap up meeting for Warrington Community Day. No one showed up for the family hike. This may have been caused by problems with publicity and parking. The possibility of starting at Upper Nike Park instead of Lower Nike was suggested. Alternatively, the hike and fishing derby might be run at the same time (9 AM?) without conflicting with each other.

Gerry thanked everyone for their help on Warrington Community Day.

C. Fishing Derby.

The fishing derby was a success, and the participants had a good time. Gerry thanked Claytons for the donation of bait and Walmart for the donation of fishing derby prizes. Scott suggested that we should be there before participants and possibly have some update to the rules.

D. Proposed Wawa store

A plan for the proposed Wawa with gas stations was presented. They need variances if they wish to install gas pumps. There was a question about the sidewalks near the old firehouse. Roy said we don't own that property.

E. Upcoming reorganization meeting

Gerry announced that he wishes to see someone else serve as chairman, and we should begin thinking about new officers for the upcoming year. Reorganization is in January. Gerry said he does wish to remain on the BH committee.

F. EAC

On November 1 there will be a joint meeting with the EAC and a presentation by Jon Rogers about the return on environment.

G. Other new business

Scott suggested that someone take over the Facebook page. Ira was going to contact Jackie Wilson at the township for that.

Scott also said the Tour De Cure meeting. Was going to occur November 6, and they are trying to have a rest stop in Warrington.

Also, Scott mentioned there was a meeting with Ham Radio operators and township officials. It was a productive meeting.

H. Shirley Yannick explained about how Warrington Cares donates to the township residents **who have lost family members**.

I. Gerry announced that Elizabeth Potash, who was an alternate to the committee, has decided not to continue in that role.

Minutes:

The Minutes for the October 18 Meeting have been extensively revised for clarification and will be submitted for approval at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn

Sharon made motion to adjourn Aaron seconded. Meeting Adjourned 9:06 PM

Respectfully submitted

L Scott Vogin

Acting secretary for this meeting.