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Sean Bardell - Chairperson
Nate Roadman - Vice Chairperson
Marie Russo Favatella - Secretary
Jeb Kegg - Treasurer
Mary Jo Casalena - Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

Meeting Minutes - October 10, 2025

- 1) Bring Meeting to Order Sean brought the meeting to order at 8:04. In attendance were Sean, Nate, Marie, Jeb, Mary Jo (via phone), Jim Wehling, Jeff Claycomb, Keith "Peach" Hickey and Haley Feaster.
- 2) Review and Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from Prior Month Jeb made a motion to approve the minutes. Mary Jo seconded them.
- 3) Public Comment Haley Feaster from Bark Bedford said people are not picking up dog waste. They received approval from Bedford Borough for a dog park across from Bedford Post Gazette. Funding is needed; they found sponsors for 5 dog waste stations. One spot would be at the trail head by the Elks. The majority of trash cans are near the square in the borough of S. Juliana and Penn Streets. They are proposing 6 trash cans; the borough says they'll empty them as all will be on borough property. If we needed to reduce the number Haley suggested removing the one going into Meadowbrook. Nate made a motion to approve and Marie seconded it. Haley does social media; she'd like to have approval to do posting about the trail. All were in favor.

4) Old Business

- a) Mini-grant Implementation & Fundraising Plan
 - i) Discs (sidewalks) Jim has 4-5 sponsorships at \$200 each; thinking about doing aluminum instead of bronze. Pitt Street going west is the handicapped accessible area. The borough has approved this. Jim needs help with this; MJ offered to do so. Prefer to do 4" in diameter.
 - ii) Bike symbols on Simpson & Juliana Streets Jim spoke with borough a little further; they're moving to an adhesive, instead of paint. The approved symbol is a bike with 2 double arrows at the top. They run \$500 for 2, which would be \$3,500. Need about 14 just for S. Juliana and Simpson Streets. It's heated to be applied, instead of painting them. There's a couple of different sources to purchase, but both are about the same price. Jim is going to go back to the borough to discuss and will provide more information during the next meeting. The borough said they'd apply the symbols. There are federal regulations for symbols that should be used depending on the area where the bike path is.
 - iii) Educational display docents Each one will take 4 80# bags of concrete. Need to know how to do the plaques for the educational displays. Reprinted the displays. Also, Jim and Jeff went out yesterday to plant trees and shrubs, plus built a form to spray the rectangles where they're going to go to have excavation done.
 - iv) Reimbursement, grant related costs We can do a partial request to Mark Bortman, or we can wait to do a full request. Plaques can be included in the

reimbursement. We have \$19,000; the project is \$38,000 and is eligible for half of that.

- b) Trail Maintenance The Springs Bridge had a lot of leaves in the pipe.
- c) Northern Trail No update..
- d) Mountain Bike/Hiking Project Sean, MJ and Joe initiated work on this. MJ suggested contacting a civic group to assist with this project.
- e) Recognition of Founding Members Sean has located a large rock for this.
- f) 10 Year Anniversary Report Event went well.
- g) <u>Bridge across Cumberland Run</u> Bill Blackburn contacted Jim about a bridge that's available for free from WVU. Bill followed up indicating he's not sure if they're going to donate the bridge.. More to come. Bedford Reinforced Plastics may be able to help.
- h) Engineering Study at Pinch Point (Rt 30 to I-99 Interchange) discuss options -
- i) Stake at OBV Gate Jim covered it with pool noodle.

5) New Business

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6) Officers' Reports Not Covered Above

- a) Chairperson None
- b) Vice Chairperson None
- c) Treasurer \$186.75 in interest; paid Spring to Fall Lawn Maintenance \$312.50. Jeb has one invoice to pay for Keystone Ridge Designs of \$375 for bench plaque. Have Chamber Membership and Keller Engineering invoice that will need to be approved. Mary Jo made a motion to approve and Marie seconded it.
- d) <u>Secretary</u> Mary Jo's 5-year on BOD as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer ends as of December 2025; she agreed to stay on for another 5 years and to dedicate more time to BJMA after she retires later this month. Marie will contact Bedford Borough and Township for their review and approval.
- e) Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Request reminder to use personal email, not work email.

Due to Sean having another appointment and needing to leave prior to the end of the meeting, Nate brought the meeting to a close at 9:02. Marie made a motion to adjourn and Jeb seconded it.

The next meeting will be on **Friday**, **November 14**, **2025** at **8:00** a.m.at the Bedford Borough Office, 244 W Penn St. Bedford, PA 15522.

BJMA Treasurer's report 11/14/2025

| Current checking | 937.31 |
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| Current savings | <u>76,425.45</u> |
| Total | 77,362.76 |
| Income | |
| Reimbursement | 0.00 |
| Donation Box | 0.00 |
| Interest | <u>190.58</u> |
| Total | 190.58 |
| Disbursements | |
| Keystone Ridge Designs - Bench Plaque | 375.00 |
| Keller Engineers - Topo Survey NE | 742.73 |
| Construction Supply-Rebar | 24.72 |
| Bedford Co Chamber - Membership | 210.00 |
| Your Building Supply - Concrete Mix | 114.48 |
| Total | 1,466.93 |
| Accounts receivable | |
| Credit card rebates | 74.00 |
| Accounts payable | |