



## Meeting Minutes June 11, 2021

### ATTENDANCE:

BOARD: Lorah, Koontz, Casalena

GUESTS: Jim Wehling (Volunteer/landowner), Clyde Deremer (OBV), John Tornatore (OBV) & Brian Smith (KEI)

- A. Meeting called to order by Lorah 08:00 AM.
- B. May 2021 meeting minutes Approved – Motion by Koontz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Casalena.
- C. Public Comment
  1. KEI - Brian Smith – Northern Trail Extension Updates
    - i. NPDES permit was approved by Bedford County Conservation District
      1. Brian Smith will ask District to reissue the letter addressing it to Brian Sell instead of J. Wehling.
    - ii. Allegheny Electric Cooperative shared use trail and Right-of-Way
      1. AEC agreed the Access can remain open as per their letter of 1992.
      2. BJMA required to send letter to AEC that we agree with AEC's stipulations.
        - a. Stipulation #8 –BJMA repair anything that we disturb. Therefore, our letter should have the same provision requiring AEC to repair any disturbance they make to the trail.
        - b. Wehling will call Richard Geosits of AEC to determine if we can simply add that in our letter of agreement or if B. Snyder must write the stipulation.
    - iii. Smith sent a letter to Penelec for ROW, shouldn't be any issues.
      1. Wehling has existing easement from Penelec.
    - iv. PennDOT - Forested wetland as trail enters OBV property is being disturbed & questioning if mitigation bank has forested wetland credits to sell. Keller might need to redesignate the wetland type but is in contact with PennDOT to resolve the issue. Mitigation currently is at 1:1 ratio.
    - v. Cost Estimate: included 5 plantings for Winglee, bump-outs for 6 benches but not actual cost of benches, similar to previous trail phase, and add in at end of construction, if money available, as a work order (\$12-18K). But better price if Keller can include in cost estimate.
      1. Brad will send Brian S. metal bench specs to include in cost estimate, approx. \$2K+ each plus concrete.
      2. Benches for other phase purchased through separate grant with So. Alleghenies.
    - vi. All permitting requirements with PennDOT on schedule.
    - vii. Brian S. heard back from PennDOT that eminent domain would be ok.
  2. Wehling - Easement Update

- i. Unknown owner parcel – agreement on quick claim from all property owners except Don A.
- ii. Brad Alison told B. Snyder he will no longer be representing Don A. Brad contacted Don A. regarding the letter that Bill mailed Brad A..
  1. Motion by Koontz to authorize Jim to contact Don A. to resolve easement issue, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary L, motion passed. Will show Don the maps with spec, privacy fence is available and the likely business opportunities available to him due to public usage of trail.
- ii. Other easements shouldn't be a problem. Jim continues to work with Bill.

#### D. New Business

1. OBV to Weber Lane Phase

DCED multimodal grant will be addressed later after issues with current phase are resolved.
2. Trailzibit Art Walk Event
  - i. BJMA is waiting on liability Insurance for event, after which Board can review/approve the Permit Application.

#### E. Old Business

1. Bike Fixit Station –
  - i. Go Fund Me campaign is up and running, posted to SWHT FB page & shared with others' FBs.
  - ii. Jim will ask Keith to put the link onto SWHT website.
2. Boat Launch
  - i. Jim attended the latest Township meeting. Township & PennDOT have signed approval for Rutters' highway occupancy permit.

#### F. Reports of Officers

1. Chairman
2. Vice Chairman
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer – Treasurer's report attached. Casalena made motion to approve report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lorah, approved.
5. Secretary-Treasurer – Mary Jo will not attend July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:59am

Next Meeting will be July 9th @ 8:00 AM in person at 127 S. Juliana St., Bedford, PA