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

Meeting Minutes - May 8, 2026

- 1) **Bring Meeting to Order** - Sean brought the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m. Sean, Nate, Jeb, Marie, Mary Jo, Jim Wehling, and Jeff Claycomb were present.
- 2) **Review and Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from Prior Month** - Jeb made a motion to approve. Mary Jo seconded it. All were in favor.
- 3) **Public Comment** - None
- 4) **Old Business**
 - a) Mini-grant Implementation & Fundraising Plan -
 - i) *Discs (sidewalks)* - The discs made by the Tech Center look great. It was decided to move forward with them making the discs. Engraving should be deeper, bolder and larger than the sample.
 - ii) *Bike symbols on Simpson & Juliana Streets* - We still haven't been billed for them. Jeb will contact the company. The warmer it is the better the adhesive will stick.
 - iii) *Reimbursement, grant related costs* - Can submit all of the costs against DCNR to push more costs to them, approximately \$2,000. Send them a bill for \$17-19,000.
 - b) Bridge across Cumberland Run - Need to work out legal language. Need to talk with Kim Mearkle about easement and Bev Geller at the Borough. Cost should be a maximum of \$160,000. Will seek other quotes due to Keller'Engineers' cost estimate of \$500,000. Cottle's does bridges; will check to see if they do pedestrian ones. The opportunity to receive a donated bridge offer from West Virginia does not seem to be an option any longer. Keller may be using Penn Dot specs.
 - c) Pinch point - Will ask Brad to drop some millings in.
 - d) Bike trail -
 - e) Outdoor Steering Committee - Jason Graham has a couple of different things going on now. We need to know if we will deed the Rutters' property over to them. Economic impact studies being done; as a part of the study they will be doing the Shuster Way Heritage Trail for Bedford County by Frostburg State University. Jason's adding weblinks to other trails so our trail pops up online.
 - f) Property Damage - Matt gave the estimated cost (~\$500). The state trooper will note this in his report as a request, but has no control over the final decision.
- 5) **New Business**
 - a) None

6) **Officers' Reports Not Covered Above**

- a) Chairperson - Allegheny Highlands will sponsor two benches; we'll need to order plaques once we have the wording they want.
- b) Vice Chairperson - None
- c) Treasurer - See Treasurer's Report for balances and any donations, interest and/or credit card rebates received. The report was approved. No expenses; \$35.86 in donation box. Plus \$45.86 in interest. Need approval for one mowing on the north end for \$312.50. Sean made a motion to pay; Mary Jo seconded it.
- d) Secretary -

StoryBoards: Marie stated Jim contacted Matt at the library about having Marie and Paul handle changing the story boards on the trail. Matt appreciated the offer as he was planning to seek volunteers to do this. He followed up with Marie to schedule a time to meet and provided the story boards and the tool to open and close them. She and Paul cleaned and changed all story boards on both the northern and southern end of the trail. The story boards are 4 short on the northern section and 3 short on the southern one. Additionally, one of the storyboards (#12 on the southern trail) previously had the tip of the tool broken off in it and needs to be removed. Therefore, it was unable to be changed and still has Santa on it. Also, the new story boards about girls are very faded. Lastly, #8 on the southern trail has a small tree growing over it, which needs to be trimmed back. Marie to follow up with Matt about more storyboards for the empty ones and providing story boards that are in better condition going forward. .

Trail Event Usage:

Pink Ribbon Walk: Bev contacted Marie about their annual walk in October.

Edge of Center Therapy Services - Jim forwarded an email from Amanda who requested to do a 2.2 mile walk at the south end of the trail. However, neither the Trail nor Bedford Township are named as co-insured on the certificate. Marie will contact Amanda to have them named.

Jeb made a motion to approve both; Nate seconded it. All agreed; motion carried. This is pending the trail and borough being named as co-insured.

- e) Assistant Secretary-Treasurer - None

Sean made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Marie seconded the motion.

The next meeting will be on **Friday, June 12, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.** at the Bedford Borough Office, 244 W Penn St. Bedford, PA 15522.