



Meeting Minutes March 11, 2022

ATTENDANCE:

BOARD: Lorah, Ressler, Koontz, Sell

GUESTS: Jim Wehling (Volunteer/landowner), Clyde Deremer (OBV)

A. Call Meeting to Order - Meeting Called to order by Sell at 8:03 AM

B. Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes.

1. Motion by Koontz to approve the February Meeting Minutes as submitted by Ressler. 2nd by Lorah. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

C. Public Comment

1. Northern Extension Update - April & Brian participated in the Pre-Construction Microsoft Teams meeting on 3/7/22.
 - a. Notice to Proceed to contractor 3/7/22
 - b. Notice to Proceed with Construction Inspection Contract the week prior so they could participate in the Pre-construction meeting.
 - c. Contractor anticipates being on site in June.
 - d. Dave Wolfhope requires signed Co-Permittee Acknowledgement Form and Acknowledgment of Appraisal of Permit Conditions forms to be signed with hardcopy submitted to PennDot. April will get signed forms back to Dave Wolfhope.

D. New Business

1. Amenities / Sponsorship Plan for Northern Extension

- a. Jim prepared a sponsorship plan with costs changed to increase
- b. May 25 deadline for SAP&DC mini-grant program
- c. Discussed the need to develop content for display signage

2. Stream Bank Improvements

- a. Jim talked with Dave Swartzel at Omni who is comfortable with us proceeding with improvements, but they do not want to contribute toward the costs.
- b. Jim contacted Mike Felix at the County Conservation office who said a DEP permit would be needed to proceed.
- c. Jim met with Guy Stottlemeyer & Rylan Schnably with County Conservation and they are very interested in helping. Guy also suggested there is a funding source which may be available up to \$40,000, which would completely cover the estimated \$30,000 cost for improvements.
- d. Board agreed to continue with plan to move forward with the understanding that this will likely not get under way for two years.

3. Boat Launch

- a. April sent concept drawings with Ryan at Bedford REC who understands our project and appreciated being looped in to help with their power plans for Rutter's.
- b. Ressler sent a sample support letter on 2/23/22 to Tyler Eshelman, Associate General Counsel for Rutter's. Rutter's has signed & provided the hardcopy letter with the referenced preferred site layout.
- c. Jim advised the DCED Greenways Trails & Recreation Program GTRP Grant deadline is May 31, 2022. GTRP is 85/15 match. Jim to verify if a letter of support for land donation is sufficient for grant application or if we have to actually control the corridor. Jim offered to write the grant application needed to fund the project.
- d. April to contact Nathan Karn for an estimate on legal fees associated with sub-division and easements.
- e. April to provide a copy of support letter to Bedford Borough and Bedford Township so aware of update on boat launch plans.

E. Old Business

1. Eagle Scout Project - Bike Fix-it station
 - a. No update at this time.

D. Reports of Officers

- Chairman -
- Vice Chairman-
- Secretary-
- Treasurer - See attached Treasurer's Report. Brad reported vandalism of a donation box and theft of money at Springs trailhead. This is the 2nd time. Unknown loss value, but estimated could have been approximately \$50 stolen. Chief Bowman said there are concerns with enforcing charges against theft or other citations along the trail or parking area given the jurisdiction being outside the Borough. Brad will meet with Chief Bowman to determine the best way to remedy with Borough and Township solicitors. Brad will also purchase a stronger lock. Will also add a QR code to signage on donation boxes to link to PayPal account to limit the cash in boxes, but still allow a way to donate on the spot. Ressler to generate QR code and send to Brad. Motion by Ressler to accept the Treasurer's Report, pay bills and not file a police report for vandalism & theft at this time. 2nd by Sell.
- Secretary-Treasurer -

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 AM

Next Meeting will be April 8th @ 8:00 AM at 127 S. Juliana St., Bedford, PA