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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 - May 9, 2025

- 1) Bring Meeting to Order Sean brought the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. In attendance were Sean, Marie, Jeb, Mary Jo, Jim Wehling and Jeff Claycomb. Nate was absent.
- 2) Review and Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from Prior Month Mary Jo approved the minutes and Jeb seconded them. All were in favor.
- 3) Public Comment None
- 4) Old Business
 - a) Mini-grant Implementation & Fundraising Plan Jim said we're moving forward. Jeff arranged to get all of the footers installed. Starting with one to see how they work. Regarding displays, they are rusting. Jim will talk with Doug Lynch regarding invoice (\$2,000). Could cover half of the cost with a grant. Next project is to mark the trail through the borough and the streets (Juliana and Simpson Streets). Need Type I e-bike signs.
 - b) Trail Maintenance Trail has been mowed, including around the benches.Looks nice.
 - c) <u>Northern Trail</u> Weber Lane Extension Bob Salathe says he's willing to lease, but nothing further has been discussed.
 - d) Marker Update Aaron completed; these need to be done in the borough.
 - e) OBV Boat Launch Jim contacted Michael Meehan about this. Michael did a presentation, but met with some opposition. John Turner, who needs to make a decision about this, was not present at the meeting.
 - f) <u>Dam Removal from American Rivers</u> Is scheduled for July as it has been refunded by the federal government.
 - g) Possible Mountain Bike Project Waiting on BJMA all for it, but want to see how liability will fall. Based on PA Use of Land Law, if you open up land for public recreation use, then it alleviates negligence lawsuits, but not gross negligence ones. Biking path is marked. Path is partially marked.
 - h) Recognition of Founding Members Sean found rocks we could use and will contact Keystone Ridge about making the plaque. Founding members include:April, Brian, Brad, Josh, Jim F and Mary.
- 5) New Business
 - a) None
- 6) Officers' Reports Not Covered Above
 - a) Chairperson None
 - b) <u>Vice Chairperson -</u> None
 - c) <u>Treasurer</u> Jeb reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Hometown Bank purchased a bench; We received a \$5,000 donation from Bedford Borough. Our DBI membership was

paid. Outstanding bills are Tim Ford's for mowing (\$312.50) and ID Graphics (\$150.00) - Sean made a motion to approve; Mary Jo seconded approving them. All were in favor.

- d) Secretary None
- e) Assistant Secretary-Treasurer None

Sean adjourned the meeting at 8:57 a.m.

Next meeting will be on **Friday, June 13, 2025 at 8:00 a.m**.at the Bedford Borough Office, 244 W Penn St. Bedford, PA 15522.