

Notes from Bike/Hike Meeting
November 15, 2011

Present: Lynn Goldman, Chairman, Tom Kelso, Vice Chairman, Amy Mazzanti, Marilyn Jacobson, Rick Colello, Dick Patterson, Bruce Taylor and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

Intelligencer Article

Lynn Goldman indicated that Christina Kristofic of the Intelligencer is working on an article regarding the Bike & Hike Committee; she has spoken with Stephanie Mason, Lynn Goldman, John Davis and Corrine Cody.

DVRPC Neshaminy Greenway Grant

Ms. Mason indicated that the Township has received \$138,000 Neshaminy Greenway Trail Grant from DVRPC. The next phase, request for design, is due in December another application will be submitted. This should get under way sometime in 2012 – 2013. This will take us from Wells Road to Parkway Trail to Almshouse Road, through Delaware Valley College property through the Chalfont New Britain Sewer Treatment Authority Property to the Cemetery in New Britain Township and back to the New Britain Train Station and Doylestown Township.

Ventresca Property

There is a sketch plan for this property. This property will connect with the Destination Peace Valley Trail. It is a sketch plan with a cluster option that would provide appropriate open space that would enable connections to Destination Peace Valley project.

Open Space Concept

Mr. Kelso inquired of Ms. Jacobson, who sits on the County's Open Space Committee as to whether or not land can be used for construction of trails if the land is not owned by the municipality. Ms. Jacobson indicated that the policy of the Open Space Committee, although set forth by the County is that land is supposed to be owned by the municipality. They are evaluating things on a case by case basis and are providing funding for projects where the municipality may not own the land.

History of the Bike/Hike Committee

Corrine Cody is working on the update of this.

Bookmark

Everyone looked at the updated bookmark and is please with it and we can begin making copies of it.

Parkway Dedication

Is underway for Sunday, probably from 11:00am – 2:00pm sometime in the fall of 2012. Baker Engineering will be helping with corporate donations. There will need to be volunteers and coordination of the event.

Buckingham Connection

Mr. Kelso indicated that he has been invited to attend a Buckingham Township Park & Recreation Committee Meeting to discuss connections with the Cold Spring Creamery Road Trails being built by Buckingham Township. The meeting is the second Thursday of the month most likely in January or February 2012.

Doylestown Borough

Is looking to do a PECO Growing Greener Grant for Fonthill, not sure if the connection is through North Street or through the center with a trail. There is some concern as to what type of trail they would be looking to have. There was also discussion on connecting to Buckingham on the Court Street side through the Maplewood Development as well, apparently there is an old paper road and or an easement between two homes that would make a connection from Maplewood over to Cold Spring Creamery.

Bucks County Planning Commission

Is working on a Route 202 Bike Route Feasibility Study.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned.