## Notes from Bike/Hike Meeting September 20, 2016

**Present:** Lynn Goldman, Chairman; Tom Kelso; Peter Fernandez; Dick Patterson; Mary Pat Holewinski; Dick Bach; Chris Stanford, Baker Engineers; Liz Wyckoff; Andy Clark; Taylor Thompson, Heritage Conservancy; Ryan Manion, Board of Supervisors Liaison and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

## **Review of Projects**

**Neshaminy Greenway** – Ms. Mason indicated that on the Board of Supervisors agenda for this evening the contract for the award of the Phase I Neshaminy Greenway Phase III is being presented. Mr. Kelso will be in attendance.

Mr. Stanford indicated that the low bid was submitted by S & H Landscaping, it will take the trail from where it ends at Upper State Road across the Chalfont New Britain Joint Sewer Authority property and cross Upper State Road and enter the edge of the cemetery in New Britain.

Ms. Mason indicated that the work is intended to start tomorrow if the contracts are approved at the board meeting. She also indicated that there will be a meeting with the municipalities New Britain Borough, New Britain Township and Doylestown to discuss the next phase of this project for 2017 on October 11, 2016.

**Lower State Road** – Mr. Stanford indicated that we can expect a shovel in the ground by spring. All of the right of way approvals have been granted. PennDot has requested the funds from the federal government.

Ms. Goldman indicated that this is a great project, there is a game plan for landscaping at the Martin Property and things are getting under way.

Issues related to Teversall have been addressed to the best of our ability and of course we will work with them in the field to address any further issues.

Ms. Goldman again indicated how wonderful to see this section of the trail come to fruition after almost 25 years.

**Turk Road Trail Extension to Pebble Hill Road** – The estimate for this project is \$3,000,000, \$300,000 worth of engineering obviously we do not have any grant at this point in time however, besides Mr. Fetteroff who is interested there is another resident who has reached out and Ms. Mason has put the two of them together in hopes that they will work on some fundraising. They have already talked to a number of the neighbors and there is a great deal of interest in the neighborhood.

Mr. Hamilton, Judge Heckler and other residents could be contacted as suggested by Ms. Goldman.

## Other Business -

**Bucks County CMAQ Grant** – It was indicted that things are moving along, laying it out. There needs to be a committee set up with representatives from perhaps the shopping center, the Estates and the Greens, Warrington Township and the County. This would certainly be helpful. Mr. Clark suggested even having his wife, who works at Grundy Hall participate.

**Pop-Up Park** – Ms. Wyckoff indicated that the Borough was once again doing the Pop-Up Park. She said it went well, it was lovely. Temple students did the design and this is something that is seasonal.

**Arts Festival** – Ms. Goldman indicated that it was really good. A little confusion as to where they were to be placed because Bike Works with whom they were going to share a tent was not there on Saturday only Sunday. She indicated she hunkered in with the Intelligencer's tent. There were a lot of interested people. The display was great and she thanked Mr. Stanford for providing it along with the Township for providing materials as well.

It was suggested by Mr. Kelso that we order tiles that Koch McGurk put together, they are about \$30 each, and we order three of them, perhaps for Lower State Project.

Mr. Kelso also suggested that we look road paving projects: DVRPC the counter on 202, Lower State Road to Bristol Road in the first year there have been 11,000 that crossed the counter this year 55,000 have crossed the counter. He suggested that perhaps we look at adding more around the trail system.

**Plumstead Township** – Is doing a trail program, proposing 38 miles of trail as part of a Comp Plan that is soon to be adopted and implemented.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:45am. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 18, 2016.

Respectfully submitted by:

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