Bike/Hike Meeting Minutes December 19, 2017

Present: Lynn Goldman; Tom Kelso; Cynthia Jones, New Britain Township Supervisor; Larry Gage; Judy Hendrixson; Marilyn Jacobson; Dick Patterson; Brue Hochman; Keith Fenimore; Chris Stanford, Michael Baker; Andy Clark; Ryan Manion, Board of Supervisor Liaison and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

Guest:

Minutes Approval – The minutes from the November 21, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

Review of Projects

Neshaminy Greenway Update – Mr. Stanford provided an update indicating that the project is 99% complete. A walk through was completed and a punch list of items to be completed by the contractor was developed. Mr. Froehlich is working on the pedestrian bridge and it should be completed soon. We can do a springtime dedication.

Lower State Road Update – ADA ramps being installed now. Project should be done by end of year although contract runs through 2018. Suggest a soft opening via social media with a formal ribbon cutting in the spring. Garden Path crossing needs to be addressed with TAC and the Chief. Suggest meeting with Chief Logan, Mr. Kelso, Ms. Manion, Ms. Goldman and Mr. Stanford to discuss options.

Mr. Stanford indicated that Baker Engineering received award from Consulting Engineer's Council for the project. Will receive award at dinner 2/22/18.

Turk Road Trail Extension to Pebble Hill Road Update – The Township/Borough received the \$25K feasibility grant from DCNR. Work will begin work once contract is received. We will need to hold some public meetings once we have some field views. It's going to be a tough area to work within. Mr. Fennimore said he's in it for the long haul.

Bucks County CMAQ Grant Update – Mr. Gordon was not in attendance. Project has a two year design window.

Other Business -

Comments from Committee – Mr. Hochman wanted to know how new signs that say "may take full lane" are being used. Mr. Stanford indicated that these are the new signs Penn Dot is using versus the "share the road" signs.

Mr. Kelso suggested that we invite Roy Gauthier, Penn Dot's Bike/Hike Coordinator to a future meeting.

Grants Received – The County received a grant for trail from Rt. 611 to Warwick. Also Chalfont and New Britain Township received grants for the trail from Lenape Lane to Bristol/Upper State as well. Buckingham is doing a small bicycle/pedestrian master plan.

TAP Grant application for Shady Retreat Road is pending review and approval. Mr. Stanford said we have two shots at it one local and one statewide.

Mr. Patterson suggested that we propose a trail from the 202 Bypass near Pooles Corner to the 202 Parkway Trail above the 611 Bypass.

Mr. Kelso suggested we install a kiosk at the new trail head at Pooles Corner.

County Complete paving trail at Peace Valley Park and it's very nice. Trail from Beulah/ Shady Retreat to Peace Valley and also future connections to Del Val University are important.

Mrs. Goldman commented on Liz Wyckoff and how successful she's been in implementing the pump track in the Borough.

Mr. Hamilton suggested a kiosk at the parking lot behind the Bagel Barrel.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:48am. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 8:00am.

Respectfully submitted by:

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