

**Doylestown Township Bike/Hike Committee**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**April 15, 2025 8:00 am**  
**Doylestown Township Municipal Building**

**Present:** Lynn Goldman, Chairman; Tom Kelso, Vice Chairman; Judy Hendrixson; Larry Gage; Rick James; Caitlin Hernandez, Doylestown Borough; Mary Pat Holewinski; Nicole McElroy; Roger Clark; Chris Stanford & Mike Szilagyi, Michael Baker Engineers; Christian Regosch, Bucks County; Judy Dixon, Board of Supervisors Liaison and Stephanie J. Mason, Township Manager.

**Absent:**

**Guests:** Mark Schmidt, Warrington Township

**Welcome**

Ms. Hendrixson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Minutes Approval – March 18, 2025** – On motion of Ms. Goldman, seconded by Mr. Gage the minutes were unanimously approved.

**Warrington Township Trail Event 5/17/25 – Mark Schmidt**

Mr. Schmidt from Warrington Township Bike/Hike Committee invited everyone to attend the 10-mile bike ride that will be held on May 17<sup>th</sup>, there's a map and information in everyone's packet regarding the event. Warrington Bike/Hike Trails Committee presents the Trails Day Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 10am – Noon ages 12+. Opportunity for folks to get bikes out and join a community bike ride through the Warrington Trail Network. The Rain date is Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>. Bike Helmets are Required. It is an easy ride great for any fitness level, mostly paved surfaces. Everyone should meet at Stump Road Lot by Billings Drive. They also shared their trail map with Mr. Regosch from Bucks County.

**Easton Road Trail Township to Borough - Update**

This project is ongoing but on a bit of hold as the New Britain Road Trail is taking priority, the Township is working through the budgeting process for match on the engineering. Once the New Britain Trail is done then we'll get back on this project.

**Pebble Hill Trail – Update**

Mr. Szilagyi, Michael Baker Engineers, provided maps of the phasing plan. Baker is working on behalf of Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) under their grant program for feasibility of the Pebble Hill Trail. The concepts Phases I & 2 were reviewed Green Street from Doylestown Borough to 202 Parkway crossing from the Borough into the Township and the area of Doylestown Country Club. Need to work out with the Borough that their area will be first. We need to see if easements will be needed. Phases 3 & 4 will come later.

Mr. Kelso suggested combining Phases 1 & 4. Mr. Stanford indicated that he didn't think DVRPC would appreciate going outside of the sequence of the phasing. There was concern about funding, especially funds for transportation at the federal level. It was discussed that DVRPC does do a lot of funding through the William Penn Foundation. As of now no one has heard whether transportation funding for trails will be cut.

The maps were reviewed, we discussed drainage, talked about Phase 3 and the need to work with the residents that feel disenfranchised because of the inability for them to easily access the Borough and other

trail networks. It was suggested to perhaps begin discussion on connecting and getting the necessary easements.

#### **New Britain Road Trail Project – Update**

Good news, this project is getting ready to go to bid this summer, working with the HOA at Morgan Hill for a maintenance agreement for them as they'll keep partial sidewalk in front of their landscaping bed. We received an extension on the grant through 2026.

#### **Safe Cycling for School Children – Update**

Ms. McElroy is working to finish things with Doyle and Linden. She is also working with Carly Wible with Bucks TMA, they met with the Linden principal, they have had some staffing changes so things are on hold regarding a Bike Day. She is working to close the loop. Trying to work with the school district and schools for this education to be part of the curriculum and getting the bike education coordinated. Ms. McElroy will follow up with the TAB regarding videos.

#### **Update County Trail Projects**

Mr. Regosch indicated that there is a groundbreaking on April 26<sup>th</sup> at Core Creek Park, Phase 2 of the Quakertown Rail Trail is also moving along, there was discussion regarding a floating bridge that will be utilized.

#### **Pump Track**

Fundraising is underway. Ms. Hernandez stated that they need to raise \$35,000, the Borough is putting-in \$15,000. On May 13<sup>th</sup> they are having Pedal-Palooza, \$25 donation toward the Pump Track to be held at Broads Commons Park.

#### **Prioritize List of Future Projects:**

#### **Proposed Trail at Pine Run**

No report, the Committee needs to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding with the County to continue moving this topic along. Mr. Kelso stated that he will need to incorporate this into a presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

#### **Spring Valley – Hunter to Pebble Hill**

Nothing new to report.

**Reminder:** MBIT – tomorrow 4/16 at 8am they are opening the new metal shop at the school. Ms. Hendrixson will be taking the Bike/Hike Logo for the students to be able to create some silhouettes of it in the welding studio. She felt the article in the Newsletter giving them credit for the work they did with the silhouettes on the Shay Retreat Road Trail was great.

**Adjournment** – Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:56am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Stephanie J. Mason  
Township Manager