



MINUTES

WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP BIKE AND HIKE COMMITTEE

May 18, 2022

7:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

Sethu Manickavel, Scott Vogin, Lynette Schiavoni, Peter Norman, Erynn Jacobsen, Andy Oles, Ruth Schemm, Mike Diorka

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 20, 2022 - approved

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

New Trail Updates: Andy Oles

- Warrington Lea - crosses PenDot property - still in negotiations
- Peter Norman Q: Is there an estimated time when Segment B would be completed?
 - A: estimated not till end of year - **Andy will get an answer for the estimated timeline.**

Community Day of Service - Sat. May 21

- Meet at Pavilion at Lion's Pride Park
- 8 people from BH committee including friends/family to attend event
- Clean-up the trails in Nike Park along Neshaminy Creek and Bradford Dam areas
- Take pictures!

Guided Walk & Talk with Director Updates

- Flyer has been posted on the Warrington Parks and Rec FaceBook page, and blurb on the Warrington Twp website with link to sign-up.
- Share the flyer with your FB friends/family from the Warrington FB page

Warrington Day Update

- Drawstring Bags are ordered and being printed - Scott
- Erynn Jacobsen recommended large scale trail map for the booth with a QR code. Committee agreed that the code should take you directly to the Bike Hike page where they can click on the trail map. Reasoning was that if the map gets updated, the QR code would change.
- Mike Diorka suggested having timed instructional sessions at our booth. We could advertise ahead of time that there will be instructional sessions at different times of the day at our booth. Post sessions and times offered at the Bike Hike Booth, along with Warrington Day Ads to get

interest started ahead of time.

- If you attend a session, you get a drawstring bag!

Ideas for Instructional Sessions at our booth:

1. **Bike repair session:** Have an expert from a Bike Shop come with a bike and show tips: **Andy to contact a resource at local Bike Shop.**

- How to change a tire, pump up tires, etc.
- Helmet sizing, adjust seat,
- Biking rules on the road

2. **Bike Event Sign Up.**

- Gather interest in having a local Bike Ride Event in the Fall, riding the newly connected Warrington trails
- Sign up sheet at the booth

3. **Triathlon /Marathon Instruction**

A. Have an experienced triathlon or marathon runner come and give tips on how to get started, how to train, types of running shoes, etc.

4. **What new Bird Houses are along our trails?**

- Invite someone from our township or bird-watch community to speak to what types of bird houses have been installed all around our trails and fields. What types of birds? Learn about the species.

Beacon App Innovation

Ivy is looking for additional descriptions for the App coming from the BH Committee in relation to the trails. **Project needs to be fast-tracked by June - the Grant Ends.** These will be highlighted on the Beacon App.

- Descriptives of parking lot areas
- Collecting GIS data - latitude/longitude
- Birds, plants, trees and descriptions of their types along with map of where they're located
- **Peter to look at the existing excel sheet and see what can be added. Need by 5/28, 29.**

Fishing Derby - Scott

- Scouts are on-board to help out
- **Andy to update the registration link on the website**
- Think about what literature we would want from the commonwealth. We have bike literature.
- Poster of fish would be beneficial for both the derby and the booth

- Worms from Claytons
- Scott is working on a private prize - tour of a fish hatchery in Allentown

Step Challenge

- Discussion ensued on whether or not to have participants sign in to record their steps? Last year no one signed up. Surmised reasoning is they had to create an account with google to participate. What is the goal? Awarding prizes or getting residents out to enjoy the trails and walk for exercise?
- Peter Norman suggested having a Bike Event since we are the Bike Hike Committee.

Liaison Reports

Andy - Parks and Rec

- Sat. 5/28 Veteran's Affairs Memorial Day ceremony will take place at IPW - 11 AM. Respectful ceremony including adding 3 names to the memorial wall. All servicemen from anywhere are welcome.
- Friday, June 3rd Open House at Mary Barness Pool 4-7 pm. Swim club opens Sat. 5/28-6/12
- Triathlon Sun. Sept. 11th - Warrington

Mike Diorka - Warrington Supervisor

- Open Space - natural lands of 67 acres to renew as part of the township

Ruth Schem - Board of Supervisors

- Pollinator station gardens event - June 4th at the Mary Barness

Other Business

- Sethu to take the e-link for June

On behalf of the Bike Hike Committee, we send our condolences to the family of K-9 Police Officer Stephen Plum who passed away Monday, May 16th.

Donations can be made mailed or dropped off at the township building. Links to the GoFundMe page are listed on the township website page.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:57 PM

NEXT MEETING: June 15, 2022 7:30pm

Bike Hike Trails Mission Statement

"To provide recommendations to improve the hiking biking and fishing facilities of Warrington Township. The committee also works on educating the residents about the availability and proper use of these facilities".