



MINUTES

WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP BIKE AND HIKE COMMITTEE

February 15, 2023
7:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES: Sethu Manickavel, Scott Vogin, Lynette Schiavoni, Erynn Jacobsen, Andy Oles, Lisa Anne Dietz, Via Zoom - Ruth Schemm

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Jan. 2023 - APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Member Resignation

- Veronica Ferrante officially submitted her resignation to the Bike Hike Committee. (3) now makes the quorum
- We will now look for applications of persons interested in joining the BH Committee through the Warrington Community Group and Facebook page. **Scott to draft up a statement from the Bike Hike Committee. Andy will post on the social media sites.**

NEW TRAIL UPDATES - Andy Oles

- B&C still under construction. The crossings at Pickertown and Lower State -ADA pads have been installed.
- Suggested we have an opening ceremony when B&C opens - inviting all the parties that were involved and gave funds for it's construction.
- Emerson trail entrance to Lower State Rd. - 30-40 native trees have been planted by the developer.
- Discussions have ensued with Penn Dot around easements connecting Warrington Lea to 202 and also the Redstone location.

Eagle Scouts

- Per Scott, 2 Scouts are to become Eagle Scouts and will most likely be interested in doing projects for Bike Hike C.
- Projects discussed:
 - Marking trails with distance. Stump to Bradford Dam using reference markers
 - Good wood-working project for the Scouts.
 - Making signs visible for everyone, importantly for EMS in case of emergencies. Having trail signs to reference coordinates of where someone is located on any given trail will be an added point of reference for medical emergency situations.

INFORM - Item of the Month

- e-Link article asking for an open seat to the BH committee - FB post

Ordinance of Motorized Vehicles on Trails:

- Draft up a recommendation for the Board of Supervisors
- Discussion ensued around whether ATVs should be included in the ordinance for motorized vehicles. Unanimous conclusion was to address just e-Bikes alone.
- Specific piece on “rules of the road”.
- Look at DCR guidelines
- **Sethu will piece apart what to use for e-Bikes and send to the committee to be discussed at the next meeting.**

2023 Events Planning

- **EAC Clean-up day** - middle of May - Bike Hike to inform EAC of what trail locations need clean-up so that we can be the most efficient on the day of service.
- **Triathlon** Sept. 10th - volunteer
- **Fitness Challenge** - anyone that participates in Warrington events to receive a coin or stamp. Person with the most collections will receive a prize at Warrington Day or be invited to one of our meetings for recognition.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Committee agreed on “No By-Laws needed for Bike Hike Committee. Rules are already in place through the Board of Supervisors that Bike Hike would refer to.
- Sethu - Board of Supervisors wants a meeting with the Chairs with the intent of cross communication between committees. May meeting to be scheduled.
- Scout spaghetti dinner - Mar. 11 - please come and support - Chalfont Methodist Church
- Mar. 29 Bets Memorial Day ceremony - Veterans Affairs

LIAISON REPORTS:

ADHOC - Scott - discussed types of benches needed for specific activities along trails - sports and recreation - (disabilities, seniors)

Parks and Rec: Lisa - their committee likes moving forward together with groups - taking advantage of what each other is working on. Cooperation is important. They intend to invite the Sports officials to their meetings as well as the girl scouts.

Andy - Parks and Rec

Swim Club - Feasibility study - applied for land and water conservation plan grant Landmark Preservation Grant - to enhance the pool which is over 80 yrs old.

Hiring new life guards and bringing back prior ones.

Community Room - site work construction to start 2nd week of March

ADJOURNMENT: 8:30 PM

2023 Theme: INFORM!

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”.