SAUCON RAIL TRAIL OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETING

Date: Monday, August 28, 2017
Time: 6:00 PM
Location: Lower Saucon Township

I. Opening
A. Call to Order: President Steve LaBrake called the meeting to order.
B. Roll Call: Lower Saucon Township: Roger Jurczak, Leslie Huhn
   Hellertown Borough: Steve LaBrake, Phil Weber
   Coopersburg Borough: Ruth Poole
   Upper Saucon Township: Peter Jarrett, Diana Inglis

II. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items) – Michael Derby, Boy Scout Troop 319 was present to discuss his progress on the ¼ mile sign makers. He stated there were a couple of markers that needed to be corrected and he would see that was taken care of.

III. Public Comment (Related to Agenda Items Below) – Denise Dyer and Nancy Petiet submitted a special events application to Hellertown Borough for a 5k run sponsored by Braveheart to be held on November 11, 2017. Leslie was going to check to see if Lower Saucon received a copy of the application. Motion to approve the event by Roger, second by Diana. All agreed.

IV. Presentations/Trail Business
A. Vision Future Plans
   1. Springfield & Richland Twp. Update – No information on a time frame from breaking ground. Richland did some clearing. The County had a design for a 12’ wide boardwalk.
   2. Coopersburg Update – Waiting on DCNR rant – when received they will start work.
   3. Bethlehem Update – High Street bridge is almost complete. No throughway through Crushcrete.
B. Trail Improvement Projects
   1. Signal Restoration – No action.
   3. SRT Bridge over Preston Lane – Waiting on grant.
   4. Chicane Fences at Meadows Road – Lower Saucon is waiting on a quote from Anchor Fence to relocate.
C. Upcoming Events
   1. Lutron 5K – October 13th – Motion to approve by Roger, second by Peter. All agreed.
   2. Lions Club 5K – November 11th – See above (Braveheart)
D. Other Business
   1. New Trail Map – Reviewed 2 styles, one with and one without points of interest. Steve made a motion to approve the map WITH the point of interest, second by Diana. All agreed.
E. Website/Facebook Updates – Nothing new, will continue to update.

V. Miscellaneous Business Items
A. Previous Meeting Minutes – Motion by Roger, second by Phil, the June 26, 2017 minutes were approved.
B. Financial Reports – Motion by Peter and second by Roger, the June 30, 2017 financial reports were approved.
C. Bills to Pay – None
VI. Commissioner Individual Statements & Updates – Roger asked stated the other side of the fence along the Old Mill Road crossing has not been completed to date. He will reach out to Sherwin Williams for an update.

Roger requested Lower Saucon to revisit the request by the Master Gardener’s for a trail that was postponed at the Reading Drive trailhead, since it does not appear the composting toilets will be installed.

Roger asked the purpose of the kiosk that was installed along the Reading Drive trailhead. Leslie stated Lower Saucon Council submitted a grant request through the Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber for a kiosk for community and chamber functions. Due to the short deadline for grant submission, the SRTOC was not made aware of this. Leslie will insure communication to the members on future projects.

VII. Adjournment – Motion by Peter, second by Roger for adjournment at 8:00 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SRTOC – September 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Hellertown Borough.