

SAUCON RAIL TRAIL OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES

October 28, 2019 – 6:00 PM
Coopersburg Borough
5 N. Main St.
Coopersburg, PA 18036

I. OPENING

- A. Call to Order 6:12 pm – President Diana Inglis
- B. Roll Call – Lower Saucon Township: Roger Jurczak
Upper Saucon Township: Diana Inglis, Pete Jarrett, Patrick Leonard
Hellertown: Steve LaBrake
Coopersburg: Ruth Poole, Bob Collins

II. PUBLIC COMMENT / CITIZEN NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Wayne Pavlinsky of Hillside Drive (LST) was present to comment on the lack of common curtesy on the trail of people picking up after their pets. He has noted that he continually picks up bags of dog poop left along the trail and asked about the possibility of placing additional trash cans along the trail between the crossings. Unfortunately, the problem with this is the lack of accessibility of the municipal works department to empty them on a regular basis. And the people who can't be bothered to dispose of their dog waste properly would not be any better about it if there are more receptacles. We did agree a Facebook posting would be made to remind people about their obligation to clean up after their pets.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT (Related to Agenda Items below)

NONE

IV. PRESENTATIONS / TRAIL BUSINESS

- A. Vision/Future Plans
 - 1. Springfield & Richland Townships Updates – Bids are out. Still looking at Fall 2020 to be complete.
 - 2. Coopersburg Update – Grant in place. Just waiting for something to connect to.
 - 3. Bethlehem Update – A map showing the current path to connect from SRT to the Greenway will be updated by Hellertown and posted to the SRT website
- B. Trail Improvement Projects
 - 1. SRT Bridge Over Preston Lane – No update. Still waiting on SEPTA
- C. Upcoming Events
 - 1. LL Bean/Loco Sports 5K - November 2019
- D. Other Business
 - 1. "RR Signs" proposal and quotes. – Final review of sign and post costs. Total less than \$6000 for materials (signs and posts). Motion by P. Jarrett to accept signage as proposed and present the information to the municipalities for approval of the installation requirements. Second by S. LaBrake. All voted in favor.
 - 2. Memorial options for trail – Discussion of possible options including a memorial rock with a plaque that could be added to annually. Also possibly add memorial plaques to the new Train Station signs going in 2020 – 2 per sign at \$500 each
 - 3. LST Map – Nature Garden at Bingen Trail Head – R. Jurczak has requested LST to create a map/plan for the Nature Garden

4. 2020 Meeting Schedule – looking at reduced schedule for 2020 – no meetings February, May, July or December

E. Website/Facebook Update – Posting about cleaning up after pets will be made

V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Previous Meeting Minutes – None available

B. Financial Report

C. Bills to Pay - NONE

VI. COMMISSIONER INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS & UPDATES

A. By Municipality - NONE

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:04 pm by S. LaBrake, second by R. Jurczak. All voted in favor.

Next Meeting: November 25, 2019 Upper Saucon Township