

SAUCON RAIL TRAIL OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

November 25, 2019 – 6:00 pm

Upper Saucon Township
5500 Camp Meeting Road
Center Valley, PA 18034

I. OPENING

- A. Call to Order 6:09 pm – President Diana Inglis
- B. Roll Call – Lower Saucon Township: Roger Jurczak, Tyler Zulli
Upper Saucon Township: Diana Inglis, Patrick Leonard
Hellertown: Steve LaBrake, Phil Weber
Coopersburg: Ruth Poole, Bob Collins

II. PUBLIC COMMENT (Related to Agenda Items below)

NONE

III. 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. The contractor working on the projected contacted UST regarding sourcing the trail gates.
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. Steve L. will contact Trish McCluskey to try to obtain a better map.

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. Event went well with over 350 participants. No issues or concerns reported by anyone.

D. Other Business

1. "RR Signs" proposal and quotes. – Motion was made by Steve L. to authorize the purchase of the signs with the understanding that the posts and mounting options would be discussed and finalized at a later date. The motion was seconded by Bob Collins. Roger J will process the sign purchase. The motion carried unanimously.
2. Memorial options for trail – A discussion was held of possible options including a memorial rock with a plaque that would be placed on the trail, as well as adding memorial plaques to the new Train Station signs going in 2020 – 2 per sign at an undetermined price. Roger J was not in favor of memorial plaques on the station signs. Additional discussion will be held a later meeting.
3. LST Map – Nature Garden at Bingen Trail Head – Roger J. has requested LST to create a map/plan for the Nature Garden. Roger stated that the map prepared by LST is insufficient for the Master Gardner's to proceed and he will pursue further.
4. 2020 Meeting Schedule – A discussion was held regarding the new schedule which cancels normal meetings in February, May, July and December. A motion was made by Roger J to accept the new meeting schedule. The motion was seconded by Steve L. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Website/Facebook Update – Diane will add the new map showing a preferred route from the SRT to the Bethlehem Greenway.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Previous Meeting Minutes – October 2019. A motion was made by Steve L to accept the meeting minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Ruth P. The motion carried unanimously.
- B. Financial Report – The Financial Report was discussed, there are no bills to pay. A motion was made by Steve L to accept the Financial Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Ruth P. The motion carried unanimously.

V. COMMISSIONER INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS & UPDATES

- A. By Municipality - NONE

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:39 pm by Ruth P, second by R. Jurczak. All voted in favor.

Next Meeting: January 27, 2019 Upper Saucon Township – Reorganization meeting