

Saucon Rail Trail Oversight Commission -Meeting Agenda and Minutes
April 25th 6:00 PM at Coopersburg Borough Hall

I. OPENING

- A. Call to Order-Meeting was called to order by Eric Bartosz at 6:08 pm.
- B. Roll Call-Coopersburg- Lynne Morgan, Jeremy Mack, Lower Saucon-Rebecca Miller, Upper Saucon-Eric Bartosz, Patrick Leonard Hellertown-Steve LaBrake, Matt Marcincin

II. PUBLIC COMMENT / CITIZEN NON-AGENDA ITEMS

III. PUBLIC COMMENT (Related to Agenda Items below)

IV. PRESENTATIONS / TRAIL BUSINESS

A. Vision/Future Plans

- 1. Upper Bucks Rail Trail Update-lights in the trees are still there. Upper Bucks was contacted and they didn't know anything about it, they aren't concerned. There are loose boards on the boardwalk. Patrick will send an email to the managers to let them know of the issue.
- 2. Bethlehem Update (Eric Bartosz-Susan Wild/Support Letter) Support letter went out to complete the Greenway in Bethlehem and connect the trail.

B. Trail Improvement Projects

- 1. "RR Signs" Signage – Status and Installation Schedule Hellertown Station Sign should be going up soon, spring.
- 2. SRT Bridge over Preston Lane
The bid will to out for rebid this year. The bridge should be done by next year. Upper Saucon public works is getting the trail ready and that will save some money.
- 3. Mile Marker status and update to complete SRT markers-still on hold until the installation of the "RR Signs."

C. Upcoming Events

- 1. Savvy Strides for Kids 5K – Lynne Morgan made a motion to approve, second by Rebecca Miller so moved by Eric Bartosz.
- 2. Zero, The End of Prostrate Cancer Run/Walk Steve LaBrake made a motion to approve, second by Jeremy Mack, so moved by Eric Bartosz.

D. Other Business

- 1. SRT Native Plant Garden-Recognition/Photos for June and Funding Request -Steve made a motion to approve, second by Jeremy Mack, so moved by Eric Bartosz. Rebecca Miller will update us with the date for garden celebration. Approved \$250 fund request with includes an extra \$50 from the committee for a total of \$300.

2. Donation of \$500 from the Enots-card and photo recognition will be delivered.
3. Partnership/Sponsorship-PA House in Hellertown-nothing new at this point.
5. Bikes/Motorized Vehicles on the trail-no throttle vehicles, must have pedals.
6. Data collection of future events-Jeremy Mack will be reaching out to 110 Font communications Tim and Leigh Feather for help if needed.
7. Interest in more Blessing Boxes along the trail-no follow up at this time.

E. Website/Facebook Updates

1. Adding an interactive trail map to the Maps section of the SRT website. Lehigh students continue to work on it. This is a busy time of year for them with finals.
Website...new meeting tab is there and locations of meetings.
Website and Jeremy's over seeing of the website helped with the rescue of a set of keys on the trail.
2. Future WordPress Updates needed -a contact will be made to 110 Front Communications.

V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Previous Meeting Minutes- Steve LaBrake made a motion to approve, second by Jeremy Mack, so moved by Eric Bartosz.
- B. Financial Report- Steve LaBrake made a motion to approve, second by Lynne Morgan, so moved by Eric Bartosz.
- C. Bills to Pay -\$300 for MaryAnn Snyder

VI. COMMISSIONER INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS & UPDATES

A. By Municipality

Upper Saucon-Eric Bartosz shared that Josh Popichak would like an update on the Saucon Rail Trail to write about for the Saucon Source. An invitation was extended to come to one of our meetings. Josh would like to promote a rail trail clean up in the fall through the municipalities. He would provide refreshments. This should be treated as an event, needs a Saucon Rail Trail application. Eric Bartosz will reach out to him.

The LINK, Claire Sadler, would like to come to a meeting to help support us. Eric will reach out to her with dates.

T-shirts/online store/selling in local businesses was discussed with possible other Saucon Rail Trail items as a marketing tool, for those who enjoy the trail, support local business and make money for the SRTOC.

VII. ADJOURNMENT -at 7:37 pm Eric Bartosz made a motion to adjourn, second by Steve LaBrake so moved by Lynne Morgan.

Next Meeting: **June 27th at Upper Saucon Township**