

**Saucon Rail Trail Oversight Commission -Meeting Agenda and Minutes
August 22nd 6:00 PM at Lower Saucon Township (pavilion)**

I. OPENING

- A. Call to Order-Meeting was called to order by Eric Bartosz at 6:03 pm.
- B. Roll Call-Coopersburg-Jeremy Mack, Lynne Morgan, Hellertown Borough-Steve LaBrake, Terri Fadem, Upper Saucon Township-Eric Bartosz

II. PUBLIC COMMENT / CITIZEN NON-AGENDA ITEMS MaryAnn Snyder came to the meeting and thanked us in person for our donation to her on behalf of her work with the SRT Native Plant Garden. She shared that she has a Masters Gardening class coming up that serves as a network opportunity for all. She expressed continuing to reach out to us and keeping us updated on the garden.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT (Related to Agenda Items below)

IV. PRESENTATIONS / TRAIL BUSINESS

A. Vision/Future Plans

- 1. Upper Bucks Rail Trail Update-no update
- 2. Bethlehem Update-no update

B. Trail Improvement Projects

- 1. "RR Signs" Signage/Installation-COMplete, thanks to Steve LaBrake for taking the lead and all those involved in the installation of all the signs. There are plans to hang historic information below the signs. Eric Bartosz reached out to the sign company for some information regarding how that would work. The D and L Trail have a sign project that Eric will reach out to for their input and help. It is suggested that in the immediate future we reach out to the local historical societies for information to go along with the RR signs.
- 2. SRT Bridge over Preston Lane -no update
- 3. Mile Marker status and update to complete SRT markers-there are plastic placards and looking into the mile markers will be considered in the future.

C. Upcoming Events-Southern Lehigh Cross Country Meet application
Jeremy Mack made a motion to approve, second by Steve LaBrake, so moved by Eric Bartosz

D. Other Business

- 1. SRT Native Plant Garden-approval of sign
- 2. T-shirt sale-The site is up and will soon be open to purchase either a hoodie or t-shirt with the SRT logo. The site will be open until the end of September and shirts will be distributed at Saucon Park two Saturdays in October.
- 3. Partnership/Sponsorship-PA House in Hellertown -consider reaching out to them regarding a possible merchandise sale if the first one is successful.

5. Bikes/Motorized Vehicles on the trail-remains an issue but not able to police.

6. Data collection of future events-A google form will be embedded into the website to collect data regarding the events that occur on the SRT. It is still in process. Applications will be available to sign up online using the form, though a paper form will still be available.

7. SRT dues for 2022 -Municipalities typically give dues at the start of the year. They have been notified by email asking to contribute.

8. Title Sponsor request by Kyle Shannon -will be responded to

E. Website/Facebook Updates

1. Website/app -The website has been redirected for security purposes.

2. Future WordPress Updates-Jeremy will reach out to Leigh Feather regarding some updates to make the site more efficient.

V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Previous Meeting Minutes Terri Fadem made a motion to approve, second by Jeremy Mack, so moved by Eric Bartosz

B. Financial Report-none available at this time

C. Bills to Pay -none at this time

VI. COMMISSIONER INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS & UPDATES

A. By Municipality-no updates

B. Other Business

VII. ADJOURNMENT : Motion to adjourn by Eric Bartosz at 6:43 pm second by Jeremy Mack, so moved by Terri Fadem

Next Meeting: **September 26 at Hellertown Borough Hall 6PM**

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