



Meeting Minutes - February 10, 2017

ATTENDANCE:

Board – Brian Sell, Brad Koontz, April Ressler, Mary Jo Casalena, Josh Leibfreid

Guests - Brian Smith (KEI), Jim Wehling (Bedford Borough)

A. Meeting called to order 8:18 AM

B. Review & Approval of January 2017 Meeting Minutes –
Motion by Koontz to accept meeting minutes as submitted, 2nd by Sell. Meeting minutes approved

C. Public Comment

1. Master Trail Plan Update - Brian Smith - KEI

Brian Smith reported on progress. Mark Haefner & Brian Smith met with Joe Williams (owner of property at end of Davidson Street) on February 7, 2017. Discussed possible trail alignment near his property, alignments do not appear to be on his property, just would be close to property. Mr. Williams expressed concerns with locating trail near apartments & tenants possibly not wanting the trail access near apartments. Smith prepared a meeting memorandum documenting the meeting. (Attached).

Smith brought plot of proposed alignment for the board to view. Discussed alternate route along Clearfield Ave, instead of Davidson Street. Wehling checking on status of Clearfield Ave. since is unclear whether the alley was abandoned by Bedford Borough or not. Once we know status of alley will better know other property owners involved. Smith reported there will be advantages to alternate route from cost, permitting, and maintenance standpoint. Smith to add the alternate alignment along Clearfield Ave. on the plot.

Smith said ready to have public meeting. Discussed & proposed possible meeting at OBV on Thursday, March 2nd, tentative 7:00 pm. Wehling to check with OBV if available. Wehling will also identify other property owners near alternate alignment. Invitations to be sent to Friends of Trail, face book & all involved landowners.

D. Old Business

1. DCNR - discussed final close-out and billings to each of funding sources. Brad will submit paperwork to DCNR to collect final billings which will be slightly less than the original total grant amount.
2. Rocks - Wehling spoke to Shane Vent. Locations marked & Springs & Township on board with placement. Bedford Borough ordered larger signage for parking area & will install.
3. Wildlife Boxes - Casalena meeting with Mr. Barnes to pick up completed bird boxes on Friday, 2, 10, 2016. Proposing March 4 for installation of boxes at 9:00 am
4. Dead Tree Removal - Wehling reached out to Davidson who will be waiting until Spring to remove
5. REI Grant Close-out - paperwork completed.

E. New Business

1. Camera for documenting trail usage - Wehling researched and said trail camera with a security box to store in will be approx \$200 from Cove Creek. Suggest adding signage to notify of camera use. Ressler to check with Bill Snyder about requirements for signage since public.
2. Wehling reported has 13 fence post plaques to install

F. Reports of Officers

1. Chairman
2. V Chairman
3. Secretary - Reminder to complete Ethics forms and return to Bedford Borough
4. Treasurer –
 - Treasurer's report attached
 - Presented Invoice for \$170 to P/S Printing for Fence Post plaques to be paid
 - 2016 donation acknowledgment letters sent to donors for 2016*Motion by Ressler to accept treasurer's report & pay the bill, 2nd by Sell. Motion carried.*
5. Secretary - Treasurer – Will assist with wildlife box installation on March 4, 2017.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting by Koontz at 9:35 AM; 2nd by Sell. Meeting adjourned.

BJMA Treasurer's report
2/10 ~~1/13~~/2017

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| Current checking | 878 |
| Current savings | <u>48,068</u> |
| Total | <u>48,947</u> |

Deposits

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| Interest | <u>6</u> |
| Total deposits | <u>6</u> |

Disbursements

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| P/S Printing | <u>170</u> |
| Total Disbursements | <u>170</u> |

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| <i>Transfers</i> | <u>0</u> |
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Accounts receivable

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| Credit card rebates | 4 |
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Funds to be billed

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| PA DCNR ?? | 57,710 |
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2016 donation letters sent



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MEETING MEMORANDUM

PROJECT NO.: 2867-4

PROJECT: Bedford Heritage Trail (Northern Extension) – Master Plan Update

DATE/TIME: February 7, 2017 @ 11AM

LOCATION: Davidson St. Apartments – Williams Family Limited Partnership

ATTENDING: Joe Williams, Brian Smith, Mark Haefner

Below is a summary of this meeting with Mr. Joe Williams to discuss concerns related to the trail project:

- Mr. Williams immediately indicated he did not want the trail on his property and he had concerns for how close it would be to his property.
- Mr. Williams expressed concern with the proximity of the trail to the rear of his building (Building #4).
- Mr. Williams indicated many of his tenants are single females and he believes the location of the trail and its potential to attract seedy individuals could cause those tenants to look elsewhere.
- Mr. Williams did indicate that he is a bicycling advocate but does not see the trail as viable for this area.
- Mr. Williams was fairly adamant that he would not be willing to provide any of his property, at the end of Davidson Street, to develop the trail. We presented Mr. Williams with a preliminary sketch of the trail in the area of Building #4 which shows the trail utilizing Limited Access ROW for US 30 and PA Commonwealth ROW for the navigable stream. We indicated that these lines are not accurately depicted and would be better determined during the design phase of the project. However, it did appear that the trail could be constructed in this area without impacting the Williams Property.
- Mr. Williams would prefer the trail follow the old alley and vacant lot along the south and west of his property.
- If the trail must be constructed behind building #4, Mr. Williams would appreciate some sort of privacy screening for his tenants.
- Mr. Williams indicated that people rent from him because the property is at the end of the street and is a relatively quiet area.
- Mr. Williams would like to be kept in the loop with updates.