

RPC ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMITTEE

March 20, 2017

MEETING NOTES

Attendees: Ira Weiss (Chair); Holly Mattei (RPC Executive Director); Loudan Klein (RPC Staff); James Mako (RPC Staff); Peggy Portier (SRTS); Kent Huston (RPC); Patrick O'Malia (Economic Development); Greg Eyerman (FCVCB); Greg Bachman (Violet Township Resident); Tim Cordle (Clearcreek Twp)

1. Approval of February, 2017 meeting notes

Peggy Portier made a motion to approve. Kent Huston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Chairman's Report

Ira Weiss thanked everyone for coming to the last meeting, including citizens from Buckeye Lake, and shared his excitement to discuss the Amanda to Delmont Road Connection.

3. Review of Proposed Developments

Loudan Klein presented to the committee Lloyd's Subdivision Sketch Plan Section 2 located in Greenfield Township along Columbus Lancaster Road or Route 33A. Mr. Klein shared the proposal of 6 lots for commercial development, currently zoned B1. This plan is very preliminary, and there are no recommendations for active transportation. Fairfield County Land Bank is acquiring land near the lots, and working with city of Lancaster to bring the bike path down through.

Mr. Weiss asked about asking requiring a connection to the bikeway extension the Land Bank and the City are coordinating. The group agreed with Mr. Weiss's suggestion.

Mr. Klein presented to the committee the Views at Pine Hill Preliminary Plan, located in both Bloom and Greenfield Township. The existing Pine Hill Estates would connect to Phase 1 (18 lots), Phase 2 (9 lots) with access to Carroll-Southern Road. Mr. Klein added the subdivision is a rural style development; no sidewalks or curb and gutter would be required.

RPC Staff is not recommending anything additional regarding active transportation. The committee agreed with staff's recommendation.

4. Amanda to Delmont Road- Stoutsville/Clearcreek Twp Connection (Informational)

Tim Cordle (Clearcreek Trustee) shared Clearcreek Township's plan to legitimize their park by including walking paths. He added they are also exploring Rails to Trails options from the park (Stoutsville) to connect north to Wyandotte Road.

Peggy Portier asked who owns the rail bed; Mr.Cordle replied he is unsure who owns most of it. Ms. Mattei volunteered to assist in determining this. Mr. Cordle asked for assistance as to how to proceed with this project. The committees provided guidance for preliminary planning and suggested seeking grants from ODNR and ODOT. Discussion followed on how the proposed path would continue into Amanda; the group suggested continuing on Amanda-Southern Road. The committee expressed support and willingness to assist with executing that implementation of the project.

5. Key Dates

No key dates were discussed.

6. Other Business

Greg Eyerman shared the Tour Buckeye Lake created by the Bike Buckeye Lake Group on Saturday, Aug 26. The event is a bike riding event around Buckeye Lake, starting at Buckeye Lake Winery. The group has specifically asked for suggestions from the Active Transportation Committee as to what bike route would be best for this event. Ms. Mattei pointed out written route and visual map differ, the committee agreed the visual route on map would be the preferred route.

Ms. Mattei shared that she is leaving her role as director of Fairfield County RPC and taking a position with Violet Township. She added her last day is April 13th.

Mr. Weiss names next meeting April 17, 2017.

Ms. Portier made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Eyerman seconded the motion. Motion carried.