



Minutes

Wallace Trail Preservation Board Meeting

Monday, December 18, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Wallace Township Building, 1250 Creek Road, Glenmoore, PA 19343

1. Attendees: Dorothy, Mary W., Mary M., Dan, Barb, Betty
2. Approval of prior minutes (October approved, no November meeting)
3. Active Subdivision review: see below
4. Map review and Updates: reviewed maps on site, primarily new developments
5. Current / Future Wallace Trails and their projects:
 - a. Digital map project from Scott Aker, Architect. Next update from Scott expected early 2024.
 - b. Devereux - proposed new development on school property. Review trail plan with developer (later).
 - c. Glen Dale Preserve - Regarding additional trail and parking signs. These are ok with Peter: "Lower Trail Head -->" (with a hiker icon below these words; the words should not be too huge), and "Trail Parking". Dan to get estimates for signs with brown background.
 - d. Highspire Estates Trail - Trail unofficially rerouted to avoid wetness of historic road bed is not in eased area (may be a future issue as trail is outside of the designated trail corridor). Trail is now 30 to 60 feet above original location. Need a minimal amount of replacement markers. A few property owners have visually expanded their yards, adding boulders over the trail, etc. Betty reports that encroachment owners have been advised of encroachment and they will move their items (ask Betty for update). Jim Aker to walk Highspire (low area) and check out what markers are needed. Jim also to check HOA website for ways to include trail information as to make new homeowners aware of trail so they don't encroach. Laura Braun mentioned mini-bikes on trails to Dorothy at June BOS meeting - has this been rectified - Dorothy reached out to Laura (not heard back).
 - e. Colonial Woods Trail - awaiting PennDOT to make crossing happen to SMF. Steve says PennDot engineering work is complete and is passing final stage to Craig to prod PennDot to complete. Ethan map posts are now removed. There is a down tree on trail near Brandywine Hill.
 - f. Brandywine Hill
 - g. Burgess Park, Hannum Woods. Future: look at trail to see where a nice bridge crossing might be to the Trails at Marsh Creek development. Barb mentioned bridge prospect needs to be thought through with respect to consequences.
 - h. Connector Trail (Municipal Authority). Traffic concern crossing Indiantown Road. Per 12/14 BOS meeting: we need to ask PennDOT for a formal traffic study and determination of what to do to avoid liability of putting a sign on MA land to designate a crossing not known/approved of by PennDOT (a PennDot study would include the official 'what needs to be done' for safety assessment). Steve to start the process with his contact at PennDOT.
 - i. Springton Manor Elementary - DASD has agreed to maintain walking/bike/skiing and equestrian trail per specs in original plan. Trail in good shape. DASD to address issue where adjacent homeowner has removed newly replaced mesh and fence boards (again) for his ease of use (rather than detouring briefly on equestrian trail). Township has been made aware and is suggesting ideas for compliance of a solid barrier as specified in the conditional use document.
 - j. Alice Park
 - k. Ray Park - Path to SMF? Steve is allowed to maintain existing path to SMF (zig zag trail). Perimeter trail in existence. Springton is ok with us connecting to their trail. Dorothy asked Barb to include this stipulation in contract with farmer when contract is renewed and Barb agreed.
 - l. Spring Mill Development trail - Craig, Steve, Greg (builder), Dorothy and Mary walked trail together to understand where it is. Suggestions were made to improve signage (Greg will do so) and to correct a few icons at Highspire which lead to Spring Mill trails. Greg to make HOA aware of maintenance needs.

Need an update from Greg - has he put up new signs or corrected ones at Highspire? Suggestion: Dorothy and Mary re-walk to see what has been completed.

- m. Mila Woods. Re-submitted (12 homes) John Panizza.
 - n. South Down - New development off Devereux (not quite final). Looking for a final plan with BOS (not gotten it yet). WTPB looked at current plan and perimeter trail is as anticipated.
 - o. Trails at Marsh Creek (formerly Brandolini. By Keystone - New development off Fairview near Howson, 101 homes, estimated Spring 2024 (must complete water treatment plant first). We need to ensure plan continues to include connection to future Struble North trail. Purchased by Keystone Homes. Future: Township to look into crossing the creek with a bridge (grant). WTPB looked at plan and noted some inconsistencies with both their marketing and plan as approved by township (for example, segments of trail missing, such as by entrance on Fairview to the west and further around perimeter closer to Southdown to make a complete outer perimeter loop).
 - p. Overlook at Marsh Creek by Keystone (DeLuca, formerly Greenfield) - New development on former Greenfield tract. Purchased by Keystone Homes. Has final approval.
 - q. Wagenseller - destination from two+ trails. Park currently under renovations.
6. Linking portions of the public trail system together
- a. Glendale to Springton Manor Farm - Discuss maintenance on WTPA eased section Giangulio (deferred)
 - b. Colonial Woods to Springton Manor Farm - **PennDOT crossing is nearly complete, per Steve!**
7. Struble Northern Trail extension / Greenway:
- a. Update from Greenway (Northern Regional Trails)
 - b. Coordination with Brandy Conservancy, Greenway Concept plan
 - c. Coordination with Parks and Preservation in Chester County. Director is Dave Stauffer (610-344-5656)
8. New business: none