



Minutes

Wallace Trail Preservation Board Meeting

Monday, June 19, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

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

1. Attendees: Dorothy, Mary W, Mary W
2. Approval of prior minutes: Approved with minor corrections.
3. Active Subdivision review
4. Map review and Updates
5. Current / Future Wallace Trails and their projects:
 - a. Digital map proposal from Scott Aker, Architect. Scott modified proposal to include phase 1 (no cost to township, Jim Aker is generously paying for this phase) and phase 2 (at a cost) to make it easier to get BOS approval, starting with phase 1. Dorothy presented proposal to BOS 6/8. Mentioned that .pdf files can first go on new township website. Then, with phase 2, we add the QR code for on-site easy access. This project dovetails well with township's website modernization. BOS approved the proposal, conditionally, provided Mike Crotty is ok with contract. Elise at township relayed to Dorothy that Mike Crotty has a few suggested modifications to the contract. Mike asked for the document in .docx, versus .pdf to mark the suggestions. Dorothy forwarded Mike's email address to Scott so they can coordinate with proposed changes. Will forward Chester County map URL to Scott when we find it. **Mary W will contact the replacement for Justin Smiley, Steve Buck for this info.** Also, Dorothy gave Scott Brandywine Conservancy maps that were done for us previously.
 - b. Glen Dale Preserve - Regarding additional trail and parking signs. Dorothy talked to Peter again. He was ok with Dan's suggestion to add "lower" to the following sign: "**Lower Trail Head -->**" (with a hiker icon below these words; the words should not be too huge). Peter ok with "**Trail Parking**". **Dan to get estimates for signs with brown background.**
 - c. Highspire Estates Trail - Trail rerouting to avoid wetness of historic road bed is not in eased area (may a future issue). 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. Jim Aker to walk Highspire (low area) and check out what markers are needed. Has Jim decided if he will be organizing a trail clearing session (is it needed?) Jim says no trail clearing is currently planned. Jim 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 BOS meeting. Dorothy advised Laura to mention in HOA newsletter "No motorized vehicles on trail" and to mention that dirt bikes have been on the trail a lot and that's not permitted. **Mary W to ask Jim to reattach No motorized signs; Mary to get 3 icons from drawer for Jim.**
 - d. Colonial Woods Trail - awaiting PennDOT to make crossing happen to SMF. PennDOT lost paperwork when a key employee left - start over? Barb to ask Craig. Per Betty, new person assigned at PennDOT. Barb mentioned potential bridge here for trail. Maps - faded map removed; trail now like others with respect to mapping. Ask Steve to take out the post (Mary emailed Betty with request, posts still remain per Mary W). **Mary W to ask Betty/Elise to ask Steve to add it to his list. 4 total to remove.**
 - e. Brandywine Hill. See sign removal above at Colonial Woods. Bridge to SMF still conceivable in the future per Barb.
 - f. Burgess Park, Hannum Woods. Barb says that foot bridge at Burgess to new development will wait until Trails at Marsh Creek developer puts in trails.
 - g. Connector Trail (Municipal Authority). Traffic concern crossing Indiantown Road. Discussion undergoing with no conclusion. Per Craig: signage can be within the MA land, but not in right of way. Mary added arrows as a trail crossing on posts either side. Penn Dot will do a traffic study for resident's concerns

for speeding. This will be first step in a trail crossing requirement. *Mary to ask Betty if Penn Dot has been contacted to begin this process.*

- h. Springton Manor Elementary - DASD has agreed to maintain walking/bike/skiing and equestrian trail per specs in original plan. Dorothy walked trail and notified DASD of remaining maintenance to be done: wire mesh detached/rumpled/missing, a few fence posts leaning, one top board broken. Equestrian trail now needs mowing and weed whacking along fence line. Jeff mentioned that DASD would do all of the above and to let him know when it is done. Mary W noted weeds have been removed. *Dorothy to check and notify DASD on other items. Dorothy to point out poison-ivy on tree near basin fence, just as an FYI in case their crew will take care of this too.*
 - i. Alice Park
 - j. Ray Park - Path to SMF? Steve allowed to maintain existing path to SMF (zig zag trail). Will utilize the EAC donated bench (versus Colonial Woods). Perimeter trail in existence. Bench to be placed at the top of Ray as it connects to trail to SMF. Springton is ok with us connecting to their trail. Mary W noticed there is not a perimeter path along the planted field. Need about 6-10' for trail. *Dorothy to ask Barb if we can ask farmer if he can mow and keep open a 6-10' path (if yes, then Mary M will contact him) or if BOS wants to include this in the next renewal contract with the farmer? Ray Park has a perimeter trail; let's enable it to be used without harming the farmer's crops.*
 - k. Spring Mill Development trail - Craig "as built plan" available yet? Yes: Craig can provide a plan (per Barb). Note: We have Spring Mills maintenance list for the Trail. Update: Craig delivered map - Betty to find the maps. *Mary W to remind Betty.*
 - l. Mila Woods. Were to come to PC on 3/8 (no show). Re-submitted (12 homes) John Panizza.
 - m. South Down - New development off Devereux (not quite final). Looking for a final plan with BOS (not gotten it yet). *Mary to follow up with Betty to see if we can see South Down to compare to our former copies.*
 - n. 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?); Craig has noted this for future. Need to invite Keystone to an upcoming Trail meeting to make sure we are all on the same page regarding trails. WTPBA looked at plan and noted some inconsistencies with their marketing (for example, segments of trail missing, such as by entrance on Fairview to the west). Betty will make us a copy of requested pages so we can study closer and when ready, we'll invite Keystone to a meeting to make sure we're all on the same page. Betty still to please get us copies (*Mary will remind her*).
 - o. Overlook at Marsh Creek by Keystone (DeLuca, formerly Greenfield) - New development on former Greenfield tract. Purchased by Keystone Homes. Have final approval.
 - p. 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 w Giangulio
 - b. Colonial Woods to Springton Manor Farm - PennDOT status if not reported above
 7. Struble Northern Trail extension / Greenway:
 - a. Update from Greenway (Northern Regional Trails)
 - b. Coordination with Brandy Conservancy, Greenway Concept plan (Mary W.)
 - c. Coordination with Parks and Preservation in Chester County. Director is Dave Stauffer (610-344-5656)
 8. New business: none