



Minutes

Wallace Trail Preservation Board Meeting

Monday, February 8, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

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

1. Attendees: Dorothy Kirk, Mary Wasko, Mary McCabe, Dan Wagner
2. Approved Jan minutes
3. Active Subdivisions--trail discussions with developers: None
4. Map review and Updates: None
5. Township Commission updates (Supervisors, Planning Commission, Parks & Rec., etc):None
6. Current Trail projects:
 - a. Highspire Estates Trail—Still need to replace one missing trail totem on outer trail. BOS tentatively agreed at 8-17-14, Josh Edwards (\$125) estimate approved (est. submitted by email 9/2014) by Betty following 11-10-14 WTPB meeting. Dan has completed post to match those in development.
 - b. Glen Dale Preserve—Need to add more directional arrows, "stay on trail" / "no trespassing" and similar signs to keep users on public trail and to strongly discourage trespassing on adjacent (private) land (owned by Peter Rotelle). Will eventually need a way to cross creek for pedestrians (long term) to keep users on trail. Temporarily (and long term) add signage warning users that trail crosses creek 2x and at the creek crossings, add signage indicating that trail crosses creek and if you do not wish to do so, please turn around and return how you came (but do not trespass to find another way). Need to educate public. Consider a "get to know the trails in your area" trail walk once trail is more heavily marked to help educate community. Trail walk scheduled with WTPB, NLT and Chester County to evaluate situation and signage needs. Also, we will move trail segment which comes close to pavilion further (out of trail corridor) away from pavilion (closer to creek). NLT has suggested this move and will decide if an easement modification will be necessary (Dan Barringer is thinking no easement modification is necessary at this time).
 - c. Brandywine Hill -Township mowing of trail (2x per month or every other week, on the same schedule as Burgess Park) has ended for the season. To resume in May.
 - d. Burgess Park, Hannum Woods Trail loop. Loop has minor small tree stumps which need to be removed along trail.
 - e. Linking portions of the public trail system together: Steve Nash has brought interest of linkage of GlenDale Preserve thru Susan Maes' former property (Wright's) thru Stone Barn Crossing to Highspire Estate (along historic road bed trail), to Indian Run Road (through a property the WTPA has an easement on to allow a public trail) to allow a connection from GlenDale to Springton Manor Farm (all of which is in Wallace Township, except portion of Wright's which could connect to additional trails in W. Brandy). Steve has looked up many deeds, plans and parcels (using chescoviews.com, etc.), and has attended West Brandywine and other meeting (StoneBarn Crossing HOA, etc.) to gauge interest of parcels impacted. Currently, interest is supportive and in favor of proceeding forward.

- f. Struble trail extension. Coord. w/ Brandy. Conservancy, Greenway Concept Plan.
Struble Trail extension areas of high interest in Wallace:
- a. Village Trail, Valhalla Brandy.(on hold), PECO property/grant acquisition. Dorothy has tried to contact Al Greenfield and forward his contact info. to Beth Burnam (to see if he is still agreeable for his RR bed easements to be utilized for Struble North extension). No response. Have left messages at Greenfield Foundation.
 - b. Brandy Conservancy (Mary W. coordinating). Supervisors are not in favor of signing Greenway support because language in document specifies use of Eminent Domain. Conservancy should remove ED language to gain support.
 - c. Feasibility Study (to determine current ownership of proposed trail site) has been completed. 10 year projected project will add parking, bathrooms. Trail proposed to be two parallel lanes, crushed stone/screenings for walking, mountain bike riding, and next to it a natural trail for equestrians (this portion from N. Marsh Creek State Park north only). Issue still remains how to route trail thru Village of Glenmoore.
 - d. Update for completion now estimated 10 - 20 years, however, section from Dorlan Mill to Marshshal Road most feasible and those townships are eager for trail to be built!
 - e. William Penn Grant has been requested in September (awaiting result- Jan.).
 - f. Contact info: Beth Burnman 610-388-8396 bburnam@brandywine.org and Brian Styche 610-344-6285 (Chester County Planning Commission)
7. Ray Park: Perimeter loop request made to BOS. Must wait until plan is laid out for ball field placement, and for lease expiry. Land currently under agricultural lease.
8. Village Enhancement Committee (VEC). MA trail - surface complete. Signage installed, single post between entrance of trail installed to curtail motorized vehicle access. Trees will be added as buffer in the spring.
9. New Business: Consider adding a FB page for Trails in Wallace. Could have monthly blurb, picts of trails, maps, etc. Ask Betty is it is better for it to be a "Friends of Trails" page or a "WTPA page" (not WTPB).