

REDBANK VALLEY TRAILS ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes – Monday, Nov. 1, 2021

The board meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with 6 in attendance at New Bethlehem Town Center. Board members present were Bernie Marocco, Chuck Marsh, Sandy Mateer, Terry Schuckers and Galen Shirey. RVTA member in attendance was Terry Mateer. Board members John Corsini, Phil Hynes, John Phillips and Ty Poster were absent and excused.

1. The goals and objectives were read by Galen Shirey.

2. Minutes. Minutes for the Board meeting of October 4, 2021, were approved as written (Shirey/Schuckers).

3. Treasurer's Report. The treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report and file it for audit. (Shirey/Marocco). A motion was made and approved to approve payment of bills (Shirey/Marocco) which included BACC for \$45, RVCC for \$50, Fence In for gates under Eccles \$650 and Lawsonham Grant \$3200 fence work. Purchase of Convex mirrors for Lawsonham were discussed and tabled until next meeting.

4. Public Comments. None.

5. Grant Updates

a. Eccles –Galen reported on continuing improvements on the Sligo Spur including slide repairs, additional gates, culvert pipes and parking improvements. It was noted that TR Rapp completed parking improvements at the 68 trailhead with 2B Stone and at Walker Farm with 2A. Chuck Marsh will speak with Piney Township regarding a directional sign for parking at Walker Farm Road off of 68. It was agreed to purchase directional signs to Rimersburg and Sligo at the Rimersburg SR68 crossing.

b. Northwest Commission Mini-Grant – Lawsonham Arch – DCNR accepted fencing, signage and remediation work. Extension has been received for filing paperwork until Dec. 31st.

6. Non-grant updates; 2021 Projects - To Do List

a. Powerwashing, cleaning and application of preservative on bridges was discussed with 2 completed to date.

b. Crushed limestone to refresh surfacing – Work remains pending based on weather and contractor availability, but could be scheduled soon.

c. Maintenance Team Reports – Gate replacements - Climax remains to be done. St. Charles was completed. Repairs were made by Galen to the Sligo Spur gates that had been vandalized.

c. Brookville maintenance agreement remains under review by Borough Solicitor.

d. Carwick drainage. Work plans were discussed to include a ditch rather than a pipe across the road. Work is to be done under the Eccles grant.

e. Rimersburg Municipal Authority subdivision plan and DEP plan review. Nothing new.

7. Events & Promotion

a. Nov. 6, 2021 8:30 am at Hawthorn. Sgt. Chuck's 5K. Parking concerns were addressed.

b. Donut Bandit Bikes and Boards grand opening on November 5th and RV Chamber's mixer on Dec. 2nd were announced.

c. Terry Schuckers advised that Cresco and Berry Plastics may be willing to do work next year. A thank you will be sent for work done in Oct. 2021.

d. Galen Shirey noted that RVEA had been working while on strike between Mayport and Mile 19 to trim brush, install benches and clear drains and build the concrete pad for Birdman in Brookville. Birdman is to be installed at the intersection with the Depot St. Spur after the concrete cures.

8. Old Business

- a. Summerville Station Project - agreement acceptance remains pending. Project has been scaled back.
- b. Portojohn Placements –Temporary portojohns at St. Charles and Heathville will remain through October and Nov. 3 respectively. It was noted that Williams donated 4 weeks of service at Heathville for free.
- c. It was noted that the gate at Heathville had been relocated and installed by the logger as of this morning.

9. New Business

- a. Fundraising efforts were discussed.
- b. A motion was made and approved to apply for a TVF grant for a Buffalo Turbine pull behind blower with remote control aiming, 28 hp & gas fueled. (Shirey/Marsh)
- c. Bernie will call Mr. Lapinski regarding logging to be done near Summerville. An offer was made regarding proceeds from timber cut along boundary.
- d. Trail Cams. A motion was made and approved to install additional cameras. (Shirey/Marsh)
- e. The need for a larger pipe at mile 13.25 and a trail user concern regarding a dip was discussed with no action taken pending further investigation.
- f. Hawthorn – Clyde property access issue. Discussion was tabled pending receipt of more information.

The meeting was adjourned by motion at 8:55 PM. (Shirey/Marocco)

Respectfully Submitted,

s/Sandy Mateer
Sandy Mateer, Acting Secretary

Minutes Approved: December 6, 2021