

Brookville Trail Hub

Minutes February 1, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Boboige at 6:30 PM at the Brookville YMCA. Attending in person were Paul Boboige, David Richards, and Terry Borden. Wendy Belfiore participated remotely. Two representatives from Tri County Trails attended the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Dave Richards presented the minutes of the January meeting. Terry Borden motioned to approve. Paul Boboige seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Acting Treasurer Paul Boboige presented the treasurer's report. Current checking account balance is \$6,286.87. Receipts included \$70.00 in new and renewal memberships.

Old Business:

Last year's grant application for the feasibility study was denied. We will apply again this year.

Dave Richards motioned to renew our Brookville Chamber of Commerce membership. Terry Borden seconded. Motion carried.

Paul Boboige, David Richards, and Kat Lyons attended a meeting regarding the I-80 reconstruction project near our proposed trail. Attending also were representatives from Jefferson County, Pine Creek Township, DCNR, North Central, Michael Baker (the engineering firm) and PennDot. PennDot is willing to collaborate with us to the extent possible to obtain extra right of way to accommodate our trail parallel to I-80. This is necessary to cover the gap due to the removal of the Pittsburg & Shawmut RR bridge over I-80. The work around is to have the trail cross I-80 on the Sulgar Road bridge approximately one third of a mile west of the projected trail. All other organizations present also supported this course of action. We need to get letters of support from all government entities involved, especially our federal government representatives.

New Business:

Maintenance Report: There are a few trees down on the northern end of the Five Bridged Trail. There is about ¼ mile of the trail that still needs to be widened.

Dave Richards offered to hold a membership drive at Hometown market in March or April if they approve.

Dave Richards will contact the leader Vindicator to discuss our inclusion in their trail issue.

Paul Boboige applied for a grant to help with signage.

**Next meeting Monday March 11, 2024, 6:30 PM at the
Brookville YMCA**

Dave Richards motioned to adjourn.