



AGENDA

Erie to Pittsburgh Trail Alliance Meeting

Wednesday, April 17, 2019; 10:00 AM

Tom Ridge Environmental Center, 301 Peninsula Drive, Erie, PA 16505.

Meeting Host is VisitErie and Erie County Executive Office;

Lunch is Dutch-treat Order from the Limited Menu

Regular Business Meeting

- 1) Meeting Called to Order
- 2) Welcome and Introductions
- 3) Approval of Secretary's Minutes from the January 16, 2019 Meeting
- 4) Treasurer's Report
- 5) Letters of Support and Logo Usage Request Received
- 6) Upcoming Grant Opportunities and Workshops

Guest Speaker

Brett Hollern, Pennsylvania Environmental Council (PEC) –

Overview of the Appalachian Regional Commission Funding PEC received for a feasibility study for gaps on the EPTA and the Wilds Loop, and the benefits to local trails groups, and the EPT as a whole.

How can we as individual trail groups and collectively help?

Old Business

- 1) Sales Tax Exemption – *Update - Completed form submitted; awaiting notification of approvals*
- 2) Action item; Trail Counter Loan Policy – *K. Harris*
- 3) EPT Endpoints – *Update – Meeting will be held later today to discuss the northern endpoint with EPTA President, EPTA Gap Committee, Regional Manager Bureau of Parks, and Erie County Representative. Anticipating representatives from Millcreek Township and the City of Erie to attend also.*

Committee Reports

- 1) Strategic Plan - Implementation – *Strategic Plan Committee B. Scholl*
- 2) EPT Gaps – *Gap Committee - Ron Steffey*
 - a. *EPTA Share the Road – D. Frawley*
- 3) *Industrial Heartland Trail Coalition Update – D. Frawley*
- 4) *Membership Committee – L. Carter*
- 5) *Marketing Committee – C. Mahronich Vita*
 - a. *Action item; Printing of Brochure - One day to Multi-day Rides*
 - b. *Action item; “90 by 90” Campaign – Setting a goal for trail completion and making it public*
 - c. *Website – review of proposed interactive map*
- 6) *2020 EPT Summit - Summit Exploratory Committee- Meeting being scheduled for early May 2019 with DCNR Representatives.*

New Business

Other Old Business

EPT Network of Trails Reports on Progress and Plans – Any written reports received from organizations were distributed with the meeting agenda.

The next quarterly meeting of the EPTA will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 location to be determined.

Adjournment

“The Erie to Pittsburgh Alliance’s mission is to advocate for the development of the continuous trail; to assist our local partners by sharing expertise and resources; to promote the trail for its regional significance; and encourage local and broader connections,” to fulfil the vision of “a system of non-motorized, multi-use trails and local connectors linking Erie to Pittsburgh through the experience of small towns, rural landscapes, historic sites, and cultural areas, tied to the regional trails and beyond.”