

**ERIE TO PITTSBURGH TRAIL ALLIANCE, INC. (EPTA)
Minutes of the October 16, 2019 Regular Business Meeting
Held at River Front Park, Aspinwall, PA**

Participants

Organization

Voting Members

Bob Jennings	Allegheny River Trail in Clarion (delegate) (ART in C)
Chris Ziegler	Allegheny Valley Land Trust (delegate) (AVLT)
Dan Kostella	Armstrong Rail to Trails Association (delegate) (ARTA)
Joy Knapp	Erie County Planning (delegate)
Marty Radock	IMPACT Corry (delegate) (IC)
Barney Scholl	Mercer County Trails (delegate) (MCT)
Kim Harris	Oil Region Alliance (delegate) (ORA)
Leah Carter	Titusville Area Trails Association (delegate) (TATA)
Emily Beck	VisitErie (delegate)
Tom Baxter, IV	At-Large (delegate)
Ron Steffey	At-Large (delegate)
Roy Weil	At-Large (delegate)

Voting Members Absent:

Bill Weller	Allegheny Valley Trails Association (AVTA)
Jim Fincher	Chautauqua Rails to Trails (CRT)
Sandy Mateer	Redbank Valley Trails Association (RVTA)

Guests:

Designated Alternates--

Mike Baker	Erie County Planning
Mary Shaw	Alternate for Roy Weil
Laurie Baker	Titusville Community Development Agency
Darla Cravotta	Allegheny County
Chris Corban	Pennsylvania Environmental Council
Laura Hawkins	Main Line Canal Greenway
Toni Henry	East Brady Development
Brett Hollern	Pennsylvania Environmental Council
Renea Howe	Titusville Community Development Agency
Sara Innamorato	PA State Representative
Ronnie Lopez	PA State Representative Innamorato's Office
Lindsey Williams	PA State Senator
Megan Winters	PA Senator William's Office

President B. Scholl called the meeting to order at 10:050 A.M. This meeting directly followed the 2019 Annual Meeting; therefore, the e and introductions had already occurred.

A quorum of the Board of Directors was present (25% of the total shall constitute a quorum).

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the July 17, 2019 regular quarterly EPTA Board of Directors meeting were provided in advance of the meeting. R. Weil moved to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by C. Ziegler. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was provided in advance of the meeting. K. Harris moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and placed on file, seconded by E. Beck. Motion approved. It was requested that the Treasurer provide just a quarterly account of financials also, Treasurer, R. Weil agreed that this can be provided.

Communications Received: A letter of resignation was received from At-Large Board Member D. Frawley. No other communications were received.

Letters of Support: No letters of support were requested

Logo Usage Request: No requests received this past quarter.

Grant Opportunities and Workshops- Erin Wiley Moyers, DCNR Regional Advisor, continues to issue a comprehensive list of grants, workshops, and other pertinent information via email weekly. DCNR Grant Work Shops will be held in Clarion, PA on November 14 at the Trinity Point Church of God and in Allison Park, PA on November 15 at the Hampton Township Community Center.

Old Business:

1. **2021 Summit:** Planning has not gotten underway at this time for the 2021 Summit.

Committee Reports:

1. **Trail Connections Committee:** A written report, prepared by Committee Chair R. Steffey was provided in advance to Board Members which contained a brief summary update of the committee's work. No action items for this quarter.
1. **Strategic Plan Committee:** A written report was prepared and provided in advance to Board Members.
2. **Industrial Heartland Trail Coalition Update:** B. Hollern announced that the IHTC meeting will be held on December 10, 2019 at REI on the Southside of Pittsburgh.
3. **Membership Committee:** A written committee report was provided.
4. **Marketing Committee:** A written report was provided in advance.
5. **2020 EPT Trail Summit:** A written report was provided in advance.

All written reports will be filed with the minutes of this meeting.

It was noted that volunteers on committees are needed, and suggested that each EPTA Board Member serve on at least one committee. It was suggested that a list of opportunities be developed and provided to the Board.

New Business:

1. **2020 EPTA Board of Directors Meeting Schedule:** Discussion for the 2020 schedule for EPTA Board meetings was discussed. Staying with the quarterly meeting schedule the organization has followed in the past several years, the meetings will be held at 10:00 AM schedule below.

January 15 to be held in the Grove City area

April 15 location TBD

July 15 location TBD

October 14 location TBD

Hosts are needed for the April, July, and October meetings, please let K. Harris know if you are interested in hosting a meeting

Other Business:

No new business was brought before the Board.

Member Reports on Progress: Written reports provided in advance were issued as part of the agenda packet.

Adjournment: K. Harris moved to adjourn the meeting, R. Weil seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

After the adjournment of the meeting a presentation of the Riverfront 47 Project and its status was provided by Susan Crookston, The Riverfront 47 Project includes trail development that is on the main proposed alignment of the EPT

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Harris, EPTA Secretary
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