

Ohio River Trail Council



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MINUTES

OCTOBER 22, 2009 7:00PM

HOPEWELL BOROUGH BUILDING

MEETING CALLED BY	Chief Executive Chairman – Vincent Troia
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly
FACILITATOR	Chief Executive Chairman – Vincent Troia
NOTE TAKER	Rachel Book, Secretary

Agenda topics: Introductions, Approval of minutes, Update of mission and greenways, South Shore, North Shore, Marketing/Fundraising, IRS, New Business, Next Meeting

DISCUSSION	Vincent Troia welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM, and everyone in attendance introduced themselves.
DISCUSSION	Approval of Minutes – September 24, 2009 – Motioned Marlin Erin –2 nd Roy Weil – all in favor --passed
DISCUSSION	Vincent talked about change in mission statement; Flag Park through Rochester and New Brighton (Big Rock Park). A tentative meeting is planned to propose the trail in these areas. Some other adjustments include going to the state border and connecting to the Columbiana Trail. Motioned – Diane Kemp 2 nd Roy Weil---- all in favor --- passed
DISCUSSION	South Shore Feasibility study started with 11 proposals, narrowed down to 5 proposals. The 5 companies were interviewed, and we are currently down to 2 proposals; SGA and Mackin. Proposals are available to review, Vincent Troia has PDF's. Review of township donations, current cash in hand \$4500.00. Approaching the YMCA for possible donations to the project. Invoices are being handled by Frank and Doniele. Hopes are to start the feasibility study Nov. 1 st and have it last approximately 8 months.
DISCUSSION	North Shore – Diane Kemp – Moneys acquired from Midland and Vanport. Vanport passed their resolution but no moneys available at this time. Same for Glasgow no moneys available at this time. She will be sending resolutions to New Brighton, Rochester, and Rochester Twp.
DISCUSSION	Help is needed to assist Rebecca in marketing campaign designing hats, water bottles, etc. Raffle tickets – 1000 to sell, prize \$2500.00 and a Bicycle donated from Snitger's. Based on the 7PM 3 digit PA lottery on Thanksgiving day. Pam spoke to the possible purchase of QuickBooks online to do the accounting and membership tracking. This will be approximately \$215.00. Phyllis McChesney from the Montour Trail mentioned Tech Soup, a company with online services available free to non-profit organizations. ORTC will have a booth set up at Monaca's Fall Fest...Selling raffle tickets, displaying bicycle, and promoting new memberships. The booth will be located in front of Dr. Troia's office.

DISCUSSION	Mel spoke to the IRS information regarding the 501 (c) (3). There were a couple of items still needed, a check for \$70.00 needs to be sent for the application for exemption status. All should be finished in approximately 2 weeks.
DISCUSSION	Vincent reminded everyone in attendance that the website is full of information and photographs. These include historical photos, aerial photos, and greenways information.
DISCUSSION	Todd Stevenson from Beaver River Rails and Trails complemented ORTC on their work thus far. He also mentioned a possibility of one day combining trails.
DISCUSSION	Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 19, 2009 at 7:00PM, at the Monaca Borough Building.
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