



Safety Path Advisory Committee Regular Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, August 14, 2012

1. **Call to Order** 7:05 PM by Taylor Reynolds, Chairperson

2. **Roll Call**

- Brinkmann, Michael (Treasurer) - present
- Cotter, B. C. - present
- Muzzy, Heather - present
- Porter, Neal (Board Representative) - present
- Steele, Donni (Vice-Chair) - absent/excused
- Campbell, David (Secretary) - present
- Sidebottom, David (Alternate) - absent/excused
- Reynolds, Taylor (Chairperson) - present
- Flood, Michael (Non-Voting Member) - absent/excused

Also Present - Dave Schroeder, OHM; Doug and Elizabeth Broquet, residents - Newman Rd

3. **Determination of a Quorum** - Yes; six regular voting members present.

4. **Public Comments** - Mr. and Mrs. Broquet are interested in the Indianwood pathway project and are present to observe.

5. **Approval of Minutes for June 12, 2012 Meeting.**

Motion by Cotter, second by Muzzy to approve minutes as submitted

Motion carries 5-0 (Campbell abstains; was not present for June meeting)

6. **Approval of Agenda for August 14, 2012 Meeting**

Motion by Brinkmann, second by Porter to approve agenda with the addition of item 8C - Maintenance Issues

Motion carries 6-0.

7. **Pending Business**

A. 2011 Construction Project Expansion (OHM)

1. Indianwood (Joslyn to Baldwin) and Baldwin (Indianwood to Klais) - Indianwood portion of the project is tabled until the Township Master Plan and Parks and Rec Plan is updated. Baldwin portion (east side of Baldwin from Klais to roundabout), along with a few hundred feet east of the roundabout on the north side of Indianwood, is out to bid. Indianwood portion was tabled at July 30, 2012 BOT meeting. Porter provides an email from Lisa Braun, resident on Indianwood, opposed to the project.

B. 2013/2014 Construction Projects

1. Locations – OHM updated their estimates for all Priority 1 projects. Reynolds met with Independence Twp pathway committee about a potential connection along Maybee. Brinkmann goes over fund balance. He estimates approx. \$1.5M next year, after Baldwin Rd is completed (\$400K) and we get the annual millage contribution (approx. \$300K). A lot of discussion about filling the Priority 1 gaps along M-24, from Scripps to Silver Bell. OHM will update their estimate to ensure it includes the dropoff south of Greenshield and present to OSPAC at September meeting so Committee can formalize a recommendation to the BOT as a 2013 project. Discussion on 2014 projects will be held at a future OSPAC meeting.
2. Grant potential (OHM) – Not a lot available (Federal dollars, Enhancement grants) for low-dollar projects

C. OSPAC Banner (Cotter) – Cotter presents proof of banner. It is decided to take a better picture on one of the Twp's pathways rather than on the PAT or PCT.

8. New Business

- A. Resident Concern – Indian Lake and M-24 spur** – Twp is going to get a quote from Macomb Pipeline to fix washout problems, or it could be done as an add-on with nearby drainage work. Discussion on planning for pedestrian refuge islands along M-24. No progress on filling the long-vacant Operations Director position.
- B. Park Bench Donations** – Cotter presents idea of the possibility of having a program where memorial benches along the pathways could be donated. OSPAC likes the idea, and will re-visit in December when the new Operations Director is in place.

C. Maintenance

- Asphalt along path at Pine Tree Elementary is failing w/ root pops along the fence line; do an inspection and add as a maintenance item
- Need wammers to do vegetation control at numerous locations, including Joslyn at Eaton Gate
- A lot of trimming needs to be done
- We need to follow up with Van Tassel and give her the locations that need attention
- Add "Maintenance" to September agenda

MOTION by Brinkmann, **SECOND** by Reynolds, to extend OSPAC meeting to 9:10.
MOTION CARRIES 5-0 (Campbell abstains in lieu of voting "No").

9. Organizations Update

- A. Planning Commission (OHM)** – Nothing notable; a Checkers on Brown Road

- B. TWLA (Reynolds) - Reynolds already spoke about her conversations with Independence Twp regarding a connection along Maybee; Portion of the Polly Anne will be closed for maintenance for 4 weeks starting in August
- C. Paint Creek Trail (Muzzy) - Nothing to report
- D. Polly Anne (Steele) - Steele not present; see 9B above

10. Committee Comments

- Muzzy reports there's been a little progress on Phragmites
- OHM says maps for kiosks are getting done

11. Adjournment at 9:07 (Motion by Muzzy, Support by Reynolds, MC 6-0).

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
Township Hall Board Room