

Charter Township of Orion

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Orion Safety Path Advisory Committee - Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

Township Offices

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

6:06 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Brinkmann, Michael (Treasurer)	absent with notice
Cook, Tony, (Vice Chair)	present
Cotter, B.C. (Alternate)	present
Flood, Michael (Non-Voting)	arrived late with notice
Katers, Jessica (OHM - Twp Engr)	present
Lee, Gerry (Chair)	present
Reynolds, Taylor	present
Richards, Jerry	present
Steele, Donni (Board Representative)	present
Stout, Jeff (Operations Director)	present
Zielinski, Jenn	present
Chris Barnett (guest)	present

3. Determination of a Quorum (min 4)

Determined

4. Approval of Agenda for May 2, 2017, Meeting

Motion to approve amended agenda to include items B & C under new business. Motion to approve by Lee and seconded by Cook: passed

5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – 3-minute limit per person

Chris Barnett thanked the committee for all the work the committee does and provided the following updates:

- A. The Lapeer road project is complete*, with the exception of the narrow safety path from the Mobil gas station at the corner of Lapeer and Silverbell to the existing path at Hi Hill subdivision. Chris is concerned that the path installed does not meet Orion Township's ordinance as it is less than 4' in some areas, there is not a passing lane and the maneuverability of the path is awkward around guy wires along the path. Chris is discussing this with MDOT and will provide an update once available.
- B. East Greenshield will need a bridge, approximately 150' x 10', to complete the safety path on the east side of Lapeer road due to the wet land.

- C. The developer building the Senior apartment complex on the east side of Lapeer Road will be installing a safety path from Scripps Road to Stadium Drive and Stadium Drive east to the Church. To complete the path on Lapeer Road, Barnett is suggested that the Township engage with the contractor the developer will be using for their safety path, his suggestion is to install a safety path from Stadium Drive and Lapeer Road north to the King of Kings Church. This is privately owned property, the Township has been working with the owner and they are expecting the property owner to sign off on the easement acquisition. In total the path is approximately 300'. Additionally, Barnett suggested having some conversations with the church on Stadium Drive, just west of the elementary school, to complete the safety path from where the Senior apartments developer will leave off to Stadium Drive Elementary.
- D. Barnett also mentioned that the Board voted to use Triparty Funds to remove and repave Stadium Drive.
- E. Barnett advised Township Board will have their meeting on 05/15/17 @ 5:30 and on the agenda will be a discussion on the Safe Routes to School proposal. Katers will have exhibits identifying where the safety paths will be installed. Additionally, Barnett is advocating for a safety path to be installed along the ITC corridor running between Joslyn and Baldwin to connect the path to Waldon Middle School. With this he is hoping to strike a deal with the construction company that will doing the Baldwin Road project to use the recycled asphalt pavement (RAP) from the construction project to install a walkable surface between Joslyn and Baldwin.
- F. Barnett also advised of the possibility of connecting Paint Creek Trail to the Iron Bell Trail via east Clarkston Road. A portion of the property is owned by the DNR and the Township could apply for a TAP grant to aid in completing the project. There is a meeting 05/04/17 @ 1:30 with SEMCOG, DNR, RCOC, MDOT, the Village, the Township and Oakland County to discuss their options. Katers reminded the committee that this proposal would need to be added to the Master Plan in order to apply for a grant.
- G. Barnett also discussed the truck duck outs along the west side of Lapeer Rd.; one just south of Scripps and the second just south of Golling GMC. The duck out are very close to the safety path, this is being addressed with MDOT. MDOT has not allowed the use of guard rails in these locations due to the deflection distance overlapping with the pathway width.
- H. Barnett advised he is working on another community survey

6. New Business

- A. Review and update the safety path maintenance and proposed pathway construction map(s) utilizing the adopted 02/18/14 Park and Recreation Plan, the 5-year plan/priority spreadsheet and other pertinent information

Additionally, the items below have been added to the Master Plan:

1. Clarkston Road east of Lapeer, from Lapeer to connect with the Paint Creek Trail
 2. ITC Corridor between Baldwin Road and the Independence/Orion Township border south of Waldon
 3. Connection between Judah Lake Estates and Waldon Middle School in the ITC Corridor between Joslyn Road and Baldwin Road
 4. Judah Rd north and/or south side from Baldwin Rd east to Joslyn
 5. Gregory Rd, from Baldwin Rd west to Rohr Road
 6. Stadium Drive south side from Lapeer to the elementary school
 7. West side of Lapeer Road from St. Joseph Church's northern property line to the Township limits
1. Joslyn Rd, east side - from Silverbell Road to Carpenter Elementary School (Safe Routes to School Action Plan Item)

2. Huntington Rd, both east and west side - from Scripps Middle school to Lapeer Rd (M-24) (Safe Routes to School Action Plan Item)
 3. Waldon Rd, south side - from existing path (just before the Keatington condos) to Waldon Middle School
- B.** Healthy Mind and Body Expo added by Cotter
The committee will investigate the possibility of renting a booth for this expo to promote the safety paths and to hand out maps/brochures and mosquito repellent.
- C.** Library display added by Cotter
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7. Committee Comment

- a. Stout is very proud of the amount of path the committee has been able to install over the last 4.5 years
- b. Katers will update the safety path map to propose a resolution to the Board
- c. Zielinski want to confirm her email address of: jenn@dunaskiss.biz
- d. Lee inquired about having our meetings recorded
- e. Steele thanked the committee for all of their hard work

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Cook and seconded by Zielinski, motion passed.

Adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Next Meeting: May 9, 2017 @ 7:00 pm @ Township Offices

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