



**PATTON TOWNSHIP
CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

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DATE: July 14, 2022
TO: Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC)
FROM: Susan Wheeler, Project Manager
SUBJECT: Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, July 19, 2022 @ 5:30 p.m.
Meeting Location: Large Meeting Room
Patton Township Offices
100 Patton Plaza, State College, PA 16803

Please note that this meeting will be held in person, but a zoom link is provided for some attendees who must attend virtually.

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Our agenda for the Committee meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. is as follows:

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Enclosed are the minutes from the June Recreation Advisory Committee, which should be reviewed and accepted.

3. ADDITIONS TO THE POSTED AGENDA

At this time, the Chair may announce and/or ask the Committee members for the addition of agenda items that are not already on the agenda.

Any Committee member wishing to add an item to the agenda shall ask for recognition by the Chair and shall make a motion to add an item, including stating the nature of the item and reason for changing the agenda. If the motion is seconded, the Chair shall oversee discussion and a vote on the motion to add the item. If the motion is approved by a majority vote of the individuals present and voting, the item shall be added to the agenda. The Chair shall determine the placement of the added item within the meeting agenda.

4. SCOTIA ROAD SHARED USE PATH SCOPING STUDY/ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS UPDATE

Wilson Consulting Group (Wilson) was retained as the design professional for the Scotia Road Shared Use Path Alternatives Analysis Study.

The first public input meeting (the “Local Concerns”) meeting was held on Wednesday, April 20, 2022 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Wilson then collected data and information and prepared three (3) alternatives for consideration.

The second public meeting was held on Thursday, June 16, 2022, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. Three (3) potential alternatives were presented at that time and public input was accepted. The presentation and graphics were made available online that could be accessed via a QR code or URL. The information and link were made available on the township website, Facebook and an email blast was sent out. The public comment period was open until the end of the day on Friday, June 24, 2022.

Nate McCullough of Wilson (who will attend virtually), will provide a summary overview of the three (3) alternatives and the public comments.

The Committee should discuss the analysis and make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for discussion at their August 17, 2022 meeting.

5. SPIN E-BIKE PROGRAM

In 2021, Penn State Transportation Services partnered with the Borough of State College and Spin, a San Francisco-based micro-mobility unit of Tier Mobility, to offer the Penn State and State College Borough communities a new bike-share program. Ms. Cecily Zhu, Penn State’s Sustainable Transportation Program Manager has been the lead in this project.

Ms. Wheeler made preliminary enquiries with Ms. Zhu and Spin as to whether the e-bike network could be expanded into the Toftrees area of Patton Township along the Bellefonte Central Rail Trail (BCRT). This route and this expansion could provide a sustainable transportation alternative for area residents. It was found that the shared use path traverses through a small portion of Ferguson Township to get from Sunset Park and onto the Patton Township section of the BCRT.

Ms. Wheeler asked Ferguson township staff to consider the Spin program. The Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors has approved the expansion of Spin into their township and are currently deciding on corridors.

Review of the micromobility agreement has been completed and the Committee should consider the following questions before making a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

1. Who, at the Township, decides where the expansion can occur.
2. What is the process to review and approve expansions.

Ms. Wheeler will share additional information at the meeting. The Committee should make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for discussion at their August 17, 2022 meeting.

6. GHANER DRIVE PARKLET SURVEY

At the June 21, 2022 RAC meeting, the Committee discussed an encroachment into the Ghaner Drive Parklet and made a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors that the homeowner be required to remove all items that have been installed in the park land.

In addition, the Committee decided that a survey should be undertaken to determine if the residents of Valley Vista Park and Vista Woods desire the addition of recreation facilities to Ghaner Drive Parklet.

The Committee should discuss how they would like to develop the survey and prepare a timeline for data collection.

7. CENTRE COUNTY DISC GOLF ASSOCIATION (CCDGA) – BERNEL ROAD PARK DISC GOLF COURSE

At the May spring parks tour, the Committee visited the two (2) disc golf courses in Patton Township parks and they also visited the disc golf course at Harvest Fields in Boalsburg.

Derek Aggleton (President) and Edgar Boord (Course Director) for the CCDGA led a tour of the Bernel Road disc golf course to discuss potential modifications to the mowing plan and the potential relocation of some of the fairways and baskets.

They have provided the Committee with a proposal. At this point, this proposal is informational. This item will be fully presented and discussed at the August 16, 2022 RAC meeting.

8. TREEPENNSYLVANIA GRANT PROGRAM

The fall TreePennsylvania grant round will open on August 1, 2022. Staff would like to apply for twelve (12) trees.

The Committee should discuss the species desired and the location for planting.

9. GREEN HOLLOW PARK PHASE 2 ADA PATH CONSTRUCTION

Construction began at the beginning of June. The project was substantially complete on July 8, 2022.

10. BERNEL ROAD PARK AND GREEN HOLLOW PARK COURT CONVERSIONS

Staff will provide an update.

11. REGIONAL PARKS ISSUES UPDATE

Ms.Solic will provide an update.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

13. ADJOURN

cc: Doug Erickson, Township Manager
Larry Pegher, Finance Director
Alexandra Castrechini, Director of Engineering, Planning & Zoning/Township Engineer
Patton Township Board of Supervisors Members
Nicole Pollock, Senior Planner, CRPA
Pam Salokangas, Director, CRPR
Jim Carpenter, Parks Supervisor, CRPR