

**CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE
MINUTES**

May 18, 2023

Regular Meeting

1. The regular meeting of the Bicycle Transportation Task Force was called to order at 6:10 p.m. in the Police Training Center, 4450 Ventura. Roll call was called and the following were present:

Sam Clark, Richie Cohen-Smith, Hayley Ingram, Josh Stamper, Dan Starcher,

Members Absent: James Daniels, Mark Davison, Joey Hoffmann, Mike Tampurages

Ex-Officio members: Ted Berry and Tami Kelly. Also present: Mayor Stage; Rhianna Bergman

2. Chair Stamper called for a motion to approve the Minutes from the 4/2/23 meeting. Mr. Clark moved to approve the Minutes; seconded by Mr. Cohen-Smith. Unanimously approved.
3. Chair Stamper recognized Ms. Fitzpatrick, Dir. of Service, who introduced Mr. Jordan Petrov from Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission for a presentation.

**Mr. Hoffman arrived at 6:30 p.m.*

Mr. Petrov explained that MORPC has a Technical Assistance Program that they offer communities once a year. Grove City was selected for this program and held its first Stakeholders meeting. He noted that last year they did a study for Metro Parks and that put Grove City in a position to gain this assistance. He shared the Regional Network of Trails Vision and the types of trails (those with regional significance or those that are connectors) with the Task Force. He shared the goals of the study; the study timeline; and the key takeaways from the first meeting. He also noted that they are conducting a study with Franklin Township which may assist with the Grove City connection to downtown Columbus. He provided a local summary and shared some analysis work he has done since the first stakeholders meeting. **The presentation is attached.*

**Mr. Daniels arrived at 6:37*

The Task Force identified a section of White Road that has a gap in the pathway system. Adding path in this gap would connect the west side of the city to the Scioto Metro Park.

**Mayor Stage arrived at 6:40 p.m.*

Mr. Petrov explained that the analysis is limited, but he could add some suggestions from the Task Force. He said they do need to hear from people/bikers to refine the limitations of the technology used to create the analysis.

**Mr. Davison arrived at 6:58 p.m.*

Mr. Berry asked how the City's trails can connect to the Camp Chase Trail. Mr. Petrov said that could be next year's application for the Technical Assistance Program.

Mr. Petrov stated that MORPC's Analysis will give Grove City a Plat to work from and funding opportunities when complete.

Discussion took place about the gap on Southwest Boulevard.

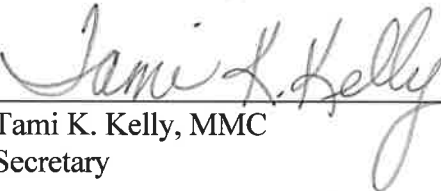
Ms. Fitzpatrick said the next Stakeholders meeting will be Tuesday, 5/23 at 1:30 in the lower level of City Hall. She asked if a couple of representatives from the Task Force would like to attend. Chair Stamper, Mr. Cohen-Smith, Mr. Starcher and Mr. Daniels said they would attend.

It was also noted that Franklin Township is having their second workshop on Thursday, 5/18 and Ms. Fitzpatrick and Ms. Conrad, Dir. of Parks & Rec., would attend on behalf of the City.

*Mr. Clark left at 7:30 p.m.

4. Chair Stamper reported that the "Bike Bus" event was a great success with 233 students from J.C. Sommer; 30 from Hayes Intermediate, and 30 from Jackson Middle Schools participating. He then shared copies of a report that he wrote last year concerning bike safety issues he wanted to point out to the City, to the members.
5. The Task Force agreed to meet on Thursday, June 15 at 6:00 p.m. At that time, they will discuss the tasks before the Task Force.
6. A motion was made to adjourn and was approved by unanimous consent.

Adjourned at 7:42 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Secretary



Josh Stamper
Chairman