

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE
MINUTES

April 20, 2023

Organizational Meeting

1. The Organizational meeting of the Bicycle Transportation Task Force was called to order at 6:07 p.m. in the Lower Level of City Hall, 4035 Broadway. Roll call was called and the following were present:

Richie Cohen-Smith, James Daniels, Mark Davison, Joey Hoffmann, Josh Stamper, Dan Starcher, Mike Tampurages

Members Absent: Sam Clark, Hayley Ingram

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

2. President Berry and Mayor Stage welcomed the members and thank them for volunteering to be part of this Task Force.
3. Ms. Kelly reviewed the Open Meetings Act and the Open Records Act with the group.
4. The Members reviewed the functions of the Task Force with President Berry, who said the primary focus is trying to get residents to places like downtown Columbus, the Darby, and Camp Chase Trail with better, direct routes. He read the resolution and the members went over those points.
5. Ms. Fitzpatrick, Director of Service, provided an overview of a Stakeholders Meeting that the City had with Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Central Ohio Greenways and others whereby they discussed ways to connect with trails and bike paths outside Grove City's corporate limits.

Mayor Stage commented that he also wants to get connected with the Rapid 5 Group and be at the table there. He said Rapid 5 is using the 5 water courses to create trail and bike path connectivity. Ms. Fitzpatrick explained that this group will create public/private partnerships and they are currently trying to get better established. She further provided a baseline of what is already, actively being worked on. She said once there is a plan or something on paper, funding can be sought.

Mayor Stage stated that by having this Task Force, the City will be able to get to these other groups. He said Grove City has been left out of previous efforts and wants to be at the table, moving forward.

The Members began reviewing and discussing the MORPC presentation that was provided in their organizational packet.

6. The Committee then organized themselves.

Mr. Cohen-Smith moved to appoint Josh Stamper as Chair; seconded by Mr. Starcher. Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Stamper moved to appoint Mr. Davison as Vice Chair; seconded by Mr. Cohen-Smith. Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Stamper moved to confirm the Clerk of Council Office as Secretary to the Task Force; seconded by Mr. Daniels. Motion unanimously approved.

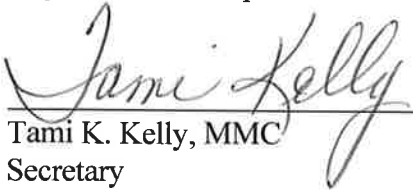
Discussion took place about scheduling regular meetings. It was the consensus of the group that Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. all worked for the members. Meetings will be scheduled as needed, using this standard.

7. From the discussion Members had about the MORPC presentation, Ms. Kelly asked if they would like to have someone attend their next meeting to share more details and engage with MORPC. The Task Force agreed and Ms. Fitzpatrick said she would reach out to see if someone could attend on 5/18 at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. Kelly then asked if an updated Bike Path Map could be provided to the members. Ms. Rhianna Bergman, Development Intern, said she would get a map ready for the next meeting for each member.

8. A motion was made to adjourn and was approved by unanimous consent.

Adjourned at 6:35 p.m.


Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Secretary


Josh Stamper
Chairman