**Ad Hoc Walkability for Eatontown**

Meeting Minutes

23 February 2018, 5:15 PM – 6:45 PM

In attendance: Edward Herrman (T&M), Virginia East, Candace Faust, Stephen Fratini (minute taker)

**Meeting purposes**:

* update Ed on status of Eatontown walkability work and get his suggestions
* general planning for next steps

**Action Items**:

* Steve to send Ed the phased plan for walkability and Ed to make suggestions
* Setup dry-run for walk starting at Husky Brook Park on Friday (2 March 2018 at 5 PM) – Done
* Prioritize list of street improvements based on observations noted during dry-runs of walks (need a volunteer to make a proposal on this)
* Determine if (possibly) retired military railroad tracks can be used for walking path (need a volunteer to track down an answer on this)
* Need to add vision statement to phased walkability plan (Candace, can you do this?)

**Issue**: Need to clarify insurance coverage for planned walks in Eatontown.

**Discussion Points**:

* Candace mentioned that the recently approved borough resolution on walkability will need some updates to meet Complete Street requirements.
* It was noted that most Monmouth County towns have at least a bronze level regarding Complete Streets.
* Ed suggested that we create a prioritized list of needed street improvements. Steve noted that we have been compiling a list of needs (based on the dry-runs of some proposed walks) but the list needs to be prioritized.
* There was a question about whether the (no longer used) military railroad tracks can be used for a walking, bicycling and running path. No one knew the definite answer on this.
* Candace talked about linking Wampum and Wolcott parks for walking and bicycling. Further, this could eventually be extended into a large loop once access from Vetter school to former military housing is reopened. Virginia mention that these access points are of interest and under discussion.
* Candace mentioned a planned clean-up around Wampum park on June 3rd.
* Ed mentioned some website that may be helpful, i.e.,
  + Monmouth County Property Viewer: <http://maps.co.monmouth.nj.us/gis/propertyview/>
  + Historic Aerials: <https://www.historicaerials.com/viewer>
* [Minute taker’s note: Complete Street filings were discussed during the meeting, but I could not find the website where these are located. All that I could find is <http://njbikeped.org/services/complete-streets-policy-compilation/>.
* Candace mentioned a site that catalogs various trails with indications for handicapped, dogs allow, walk / run / bicycle etc. and suggested that Steve may want to add our Eatontown walks to the site. The URL is <https://www.traillink.com/>.
* Next meeting of Eatontown Walkability, Bikeabilty and Connectivity is on March 28th from 3 PM to 4:30 PM.