

Mtg called to order at 7:13p

Whitney, Jane, Ken, Ted, Bernie, Adrienne attended.

Mtg min not approved because they are not posted. Minutes need to be finished and sent to Tommy the Fri before the next meeting at 10a. This requires minutes to go to the group for review at least one week prior.

Ken sent police report. Nothing significant to report. Report is largely typical. A brief discussion around the idea of having a community outreach person focused upon traffic safety and enforcement ensued, raised by Adrienne and, since hiring fully-trained police officers has been tough.

Public works/Road report: overlay of roads is done. Twp roads have been trimmed by the boom mower. Penn DoT roads have not been mowed. Jane notes property owners are responsible for maintaining rights of way along the road, and many property owners are not aware of their responsibility. The topic of maintaining property right of way was included in a recent newsletter. Twp is working on education and then must enforce via existing ordinance. The BoS must enforce overall. Ken suggests this committee should focus upon traffic safety issues. Jane would like to address line of site issues. Bernie suggests a letter be sent to the landowners to address property care. Public works are noting areas that require maintenance. Adrienne notes the island on Hollow Rd at Birchrun Rd is not being maintained and is noted as a safety issue due to site line and people in vehicles not fully stopping at the stop sign.

Action: Adrienne send the email to Ken re: mowing of the Hollow Rd island.

Traffic safety zones map: Safety zone map needs to be finalized, but will be done once the new twp secretary is onboard. It's only start.

St. Andrews Ln re-engineering and paving cost is \$1million plus. The twp mgrs. are working on it as a project, but it will take time due to cost. No further updates.

Jane, Whitney, Ted took a field trip to the Sheeder Hall bridge. Ted notes bridge is dangerous and should be removed and replaced with a modern bridge with safer sight lines. Bernie notes that E Vincent side requires the brush clearing, and Tommy has said he will work with E Vincent to get vegetation cleared. Parcel #21-7-11 1.4 acres has right-of-way and is owned by Spirit of Gheel group home. PennDoT owns the bridge and is responsible for bridge repairs. The boards are cracking, and there is a large area where the surface boards are totally missing, while what remains continues to degrade. E Vincent signs also need to be evaluated. Ted notes that individuals as taxpayers can always contact PennDoT and report

issues. Tommy has said he will work to get the sign approaching the bridge on the W Vincent side repaired or replaced.

Action: Committee draft a letter to Tommy with recommendations from Jul minutes.

Bike Rodeo update: ChesCo would like to delay to May 2026 in order to prepare and more widely advertise. Adrienne working with Lori at ChesCo during Oct and Nov2025 to secure a May2026 date. The team agrees to advertise via – Owen J mtn bike club Heather Dotsey, the preschools, the elementary schools (St. Elizabeths), bulletin at the library, HOA newsletter, churches, fire house sign, Ludwigs horse show, Pulte HOA, Weatherstone HOA, Byers Station HOA, Montgomery School, Upper Uwchlan police dept. Dana Alan suggests maybe the Repair Café in Downingtown would have someone who can help out, Twisted Cog, Downingtown bike shop. Team members will assess list and determine who will contact which organizations for advertising.

New business updates:

Speed study on Westover is complete and was sent to the team. Ken shares the chief's comments this is a residential area, so posted speed should be residentially-oriented. Ted feels it's not a residential road, and reminds committee the unposted speed means the legal speed is 55mph. There are no speed limit signs. Speed limit signs will be installed. Whitney would like an education component as well. Ken talked with chief about additional signage, but he does not feel signs do much to control behavior.

Birchrunville village traffic and overall safety. A lot is under discussion with zoning, the BoS, Butterscotch Pastry. Committee agrees to allow that to work itself out.

Whitney feels that 35mph within the village is too high, and there is no speed enforcement. She also notes that the stop except right turn at Hollow and Schoolhouse should become a full stop, given lack of sight line if headed straight/right. Jane notes that she'd like to discuss a large square around Birchrunville with lower, pedestrian-friendly speeds. For discussion at a future meeting. Adrienne notes the stop except right turn at Birchrun Rd and Hollow going into the one-lane bridge on Birchrun Rd also has visibility issues in addition to the island needing to be mowed.

Public comments:

Jane brought up trucks and trailers parked directly in the road unsafely blocking full lanes and lines of site. Can we do something about this as a recommendation? It is illegal to block a road lane for no reason other than unwillingness to pull into a driveway.

Whitney would like to discuss an education campaign to assist with what can be categorized as 'out of control and unenforced driving.'

Adrienne requests that we also note Fellowship for a speed study and signs. Committee agrees to request a speed study and signs. Jane asks if we can find out what speed studies have been conducted already and has existing data.

Action: Ken will reach out to chief.

Daphney vanBemmlen: sent a request to review the hairpin at Flowing Springs Rd, where a wall has been damaged by 'large trucks'. Jane asks for a definition of 'large trucks' (what does this mean)? Is her wall within the right-of-way? Can the twp do anything outside of studies, which are expensive. A resident's perception of speed is only one perception. Elisa comments – it is difficult for larger trucks to travel out to 100 due to the covered bridge, and she recommends moving the wall back if it exists in the right-of-way.

Adrienne would like the committee to return to Whitney's idea from last year about adding a center line and possibly some side lines to delineate road narrowing. Ted notes that we must adhere to state laws around roads and signs, and some roads just need to be modernized, which takes a lot of funds. Ken is going to respond to chief that we discussed and also have concerns, but the wall under discussion is a twp item not a committee issue. We may need Tommy's help and presence during a Traffic Safety mtg via an adhoc committee meeting to address some issues. He may be able to help with some topics and provide direction.

Adrienne notes that twp roads have been cut with the boom mower with nice success.

Ken would like to request from BoS \$250 for safety vests. Committee also requests \$100 for snacks for the bike rodeo. Committee approved.

Ken brought up pedestrian and bike signs for Horseshoe Trail – 2 signs in total. Ken makes a motion to request the BoS install bike/car warning signs at Dewees, and at Birchrun Rd upper on HST. Committee approved.

Whitney asks if we can request police to focus upon safety zones. If we can get some older speed study data and use that to drive some enforcement. Ken notes the police monitor Rt 100 and Eagle Farms most.

Adrienne raised desensitizing horses to all modes of transport across roads, for future discussion.

Mtg adjourned at 9:40p