



The mission of the Westmoreland Heritage Trail is to manage and maintain the trail from Saltsburg to Trafford, in partnership with like-minded groups, Westmoreland County Parks, and the associated municipalities the trail passes through. The trail will be promoted for walking and biking activities and to provide for recreation, education, volunteerism, tourism, and historic and environmental conservation. (www.westmorelandheritagetrail.com)

Meeting Minutes September 2023

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Piper Bay Café - Delmont

Meeting Attendees:

- Board (12): Karen Rose Cercone, Rob Cronauer, Jerry Detar (elected this meeting), Rick Fisher, Kerry Jobe, Tom Marcin, Darren Miller, Pat Norton, Stan Rudge, Vicki Rudge, Malcolm Sias, Annamarie Stackiewicz
- Absent Board (8): Wendy Davis, Chad Emahizer, Elizabeth Ferri, Dale Hollabaugh (resigned this meeting), Mike Ley, Monica Meehan, Chris Panichella, Ann Wade
- Members and Guests (24): Barry and Beverly Attenberger, Jerry and Mary Babcock, Mike Banda, Jim and Barbara Coulter, Alyssia Cronauer, Louise Fisher, Kevin and Shirley Hart, Greg and Amy Imblum, Steve Ising, Tim Leriottis, Paul Lienemann, Marion Marcin, David Nigro, Bill O'Hara, Dee O'Hara, Patti Sias, Bob Stackiewicz, Mike Urban

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.
2. President's Comments – Stan thanked the Volunteer Dinner Committee for organizing the event.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORTS**
 - a. Discussion and approval of these documents was tabled to the next formal meeting in October.
4. **ITEMS FOR ACTION AND/OR INFORMATION**
 - a. A letter of resignation was read from Dale Hollabaugh, effective September 5, 2023.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. The third annual Ted Hayes Memorial Bike Ride/Run/Walk was successful.
 - b. Two Pittsburgh grants were received this month, one to help build a kiosk near the Old William Penn trailhead and a second to purchase additional equipment for the Ventrac.
 - c. Trail monitors are needed to assist with the Witches Ride in Zone 4 on October 15 (1-5 PM).
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Nominations were closed for the at-large board member seat vacated by Bill O'Hara. Jerry Detar was the only candidate for the seat and was unanimously elected.
 - b. Grant approval – Stan Rudge requested board approval to submit a grant request to LSA for new trail maintenance equipment. Stackiewicz made a motion to approve the submission, seconded by Cercone. The motion carried.
7. **MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**
 - **Annamarie Stackiewicz (Delmont)** – Delmont will host their 2nd Annual Cyclocross event at Shields Farms on Veterans Day. Annamarie also has raffle tickets for an E-bike and regular bike.
8. The next WHT Board meeting will take place on October 12, 7 PM at the Lamplighter in Delmont.
9. On a motion by Sias, seconded by Stackiewicz, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Rose Cercone, Secretary

Westmoreland Heritage Trail 2023 Event Calendar

APRIL

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sat April 22	8 AM - Noon	Dustin Norris Memorial Race	Zone 4
Tues April 25	6 PM	WHT Trail Ambassador Training	WCD
Sat April 29	8 AM – 3 PM	Norwin Air Force Junior ROTC	Zones 4 and 5
Sun April 30	7:30–11:30 AM	Burn Boot Camp MDA 5K Race	Zone 4

MAY

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Thur May 4	All Day	Trail Life Troop 2717 Export National Day of Prayer	Zone 4

JUNE

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sat June 3	9 AM – 2 PM	WHT Festival and Poker Run	B-Y Park and Zone 5
Fri June 16	10 AM	Joy Rider Bike Ride	Roberts / Zone 4

JULY

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sat July 15	7 AM – Noon	GCXC Racing Event	Carson-Braun to Duff

AUGUST

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sat Aug 12	8:30 AM - noon	Slickville Centennial Coal Mine Climb	Zone 1
Sat Aug 19	All Day	Export Ethnic Festival	Zone 4
Sat Aug 26	All Day	Ted Hayes Memorial	Zone 1

SEPTEMBER

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Thur Sept 14	6 - 8 PM	WHT Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	Piper Bay - Delmont

OCTOBER

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Thur Oct 12	4 – 6 PM	WCD Biking for Conservation	Zone 4
Sat Oct 14	7– 11 AM	Halloween Hot Foot Race	Zone 4
Sun Oct 15	1 – 5 PM	Witches' Ride	Zone 4
Sat Oct 28	8 AM – 1 PM	GCXC Racing	Carson-Braun to Duff

NOVEMBER - *Nothing at this time.*

DECEMBER

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Thur Dec 14	7 PM	WHT Christmas Gathering	Lamplighter Restaurant