

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Remote Meeting

Central Ohio Greenways Trail Development Working Group
Meeting Notes

December 17, 2020, 9:30 am

Members Present

Chair Laura Ball, City of Westerville
Bill Hebble, Franklin County Engineer's Office
Ted Miller, City of Delaware
Eric Oberg, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
Tatiana Parfenova, Metro Parks

Letty Schamp, City of Hilliard
Kelly Scocco, City of Columbus
David Shipps, Toole Design
Bradley Westall, City of Columbus

Public Present

Justin Goodwin, City of Columbus
Beth Hugh

Ronni Nimps, Franklin County Engineer's
Office

MORPC Staff Present

Ted Geer

Lynn Kaufman

Melinda Vonstein

Meeting Called to Order at 9:34 am.

2021 Regional Trail Vision Updates

Alum Creek Area

The current proposed connector is near the Alum Creek Trail, which will close the gap between the existing roadway trail and the Reservoir. There is already an existing, less scenic connector that connects to the reservoir, and Preservation Parks is building trails in the area.

Members suggested that Melinda Vonstein invite staff from Preservation Parks to the February 18 Working Group meeting.

Members approved keeping the preferred route along Alum Creek.

Lancaster

Fairfield County staff is open to using COG's proposed trail, which will connect a few small parks and schools.

Members approved keeping the recommended proposed trail.

Licking County

- Johnstown has a small proposed trail. Members approved keeping the recommended proposed trail.
- Buckeye Lake has a proposed trail. Members approved keeping the recommended proposed trail.
- Newark South; Members asked for more information before recommendation.

Franklin County

Olentangy Trail has a proposed connector. Members approved keeping the proposed connector.

COG Trail Prioritization – Final map

Members suggested Staff build on the work done in 2020, and develop the prioritization map based on that.

Melinda will present a report on the top 10 trail priorities at the January 20 Central Ohio Greenway Board meeting.

Adjourned at 10:30 am.