

New Albany Parks and Trails Advisory Board September 8, 2021 Minutes

Mr. Stribick called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Those answering roll call:

Mr. Stribick, Chair	Present
Ms. Steelman, Vice Chair	Present
Ms. Bhat	Present
Ms. Brooks	Present
Mr. Resch	Present
Mr. Chip Fellows (council liaison)	Present

Others Present: Stephen Mayer, City of New Albany; Chris Christian, City of New Albany

Action of Minutes: Ms. Steelman moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Resch. Motion passes 4-0.

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda:

Mr. Resch provided an update about the Rapid5 project and other potential trail connections with the board.

Hearing of Visitors for Items Not on the Agenda: None.

Cases:

FDP-83-2021 Final Development Plan

Final Development Plan for a 60 lot residential subdivision on 38+/- acres generally located at 7555 Bevelhymer Road and 7325 Walnut Street (PIDs: 222-005169, 222-005168 and 222-005167).

Applicant: Bobb Webb Group c/o Brandon Belli

Mr. Christian provided the staff review for the application.

The applicants, Linda Menery (EMH&T) and Larry Canini, provided the board with additional information about the project and answered several questions that the board asked of them.

Ms. Bhat commented on pedestrian and cyclist safety on Bevelhymer Road.

Mr. Stribick asked about the status of leisure trail connections in the general area and Mr. Mayer commented on the status and mentioned the annual leisure trail gap presentation which are typically held in March.

Mr. Stribick commented on the stormwater runoff for the project and the relation to the Millbrook subdivision, recommended that the developer look at stormwater more comprehensively and determine the impact on the adjacent area.

Ms. Menery and Mr. Canini stated that this analysis would be performed as part of the engineering permit for the project.

Ms. Bhat asked if there would be a 4 way stop at the Walnut Street and Bevelhymer Road intersection. Mr. Mayer stated no, not at this time but it would be reviewed as the area is developed.

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The board discussed the speed limit in the area and what can be done to reduce the allowable speed.

Mr. Stribick commented on the proposed amenities within the parkland and open space areas and asked about providing a playground in the subdivision.

Mr. Canini stated that they did not intend on providing such equipment due the multigenerational nature of the subdivision and its proximity to existing amenities in the Metro Park area and Millbrook subdivision.

Ms. Brooks stated that the existing playground equipment at Millbrook is not designed for older children nor to handle the additional traffic from the proposed subdivision.

Ms. Menery provided some additional information on the amenities that will be provided in the subdivision and Mr. Mayer stated that trail gaps will be prioritized as part of the charette the following year.

Mr. Resch moved to approve the final development plan application with the condition of approval that the developer must add additional play/active amenities in the parkland/open space areas of the site and safe intersection crossings, subject to staff approval and seconded by Ms. Steelman. Motion passed 5-0.

Other Business:

Mr. Mayer provided the board with an update on the status of several city projects and answered several questions asked by members.

Mr. Resch moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:16pm, seconded by Ms. Steelman. Motion passed 5-0.