

TO: Village Council and Mayor Brown
FROM: Health and Recreation Committee, Randy York - Chair
RE: Preparation of ordinance to apply for a 2022 Clean Ohio Trails Fund Grant
DATE: April 2, 2022

The Health and Recreation Committee met on Saturday April 2, 2022 at 9:00am. Present at the meeting were Health and Recreation Committee members Randy York (Chair), Susan Brownknight (Vice-Chair), Leah Geldbaugh (Member) and Mayor Bill Brown. Also in attendance was council member Rob Bartlett and Village Engineer Chris Ertel and residents Eric Wellinghoff, Ron Ross, Matt Ayer, Lisa Wharton, Matt Ayer, Bob Van Stone, Adam Fisher, and Louise Schomburg.

The purpose of the committee meeting was to prepare a Resolution to be included in a 2022 Clean Ohio Trails Fund Grant for Murray Path from the library to Miami Avenue. At the 3.28.22 Village Council meeting it was decided that the Village would apply for the grant. It was necessary to prepare a Resolution as the inclusion of an ordinance is a condition of the grant application. The applications are due on April 15th.

There was a respectful and constructive dialogue about the specific path section that would be included in the grant, the related study of the path route into the Village from the east, as well as the overall impact of the Crown Trail on the Village.

It was eventually determined by the Committee that moving forward with the grant application and related study would stimulate dialogue in the Village and this public discourse could result in more informed decisions by the Village as a whole.

The Committee therefore prepared a Resolution that would require extensive public input before any plan is approved or executed. The ordinance also specifies that no Village funds are committed to the project and that any expenses to the Village would be reimbursed by outside resources.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy York, Chair

Susan Brownknight (Vice-Chair)

Leah Geldbaugh (Member)