

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WILLIAMS
PATHWAY COMMITTEE
November 18, 2014

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Jim Plant at 7:00 P.M. in the Township Board room. Committee Members present: Bill Warren, Scott Heinz, Kyle Plant, Dave Caylor, and Jim Plant.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States was said in unison.
3. Review of Minutes
Meeting Minutes from the Monthly meeting on September 16, 2014 were presented and reviewed. Scott Heinz made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. The motion was supported by Bill Warren, and passed unanimously.
4. Pipeline Connector
Rob Eggers from Spicers met with Dow Chemical officials to discuss the recent title search of the pipeline property with Dow. Rob's indication was that Dow is onboard with utilizing the pipeline property for a trail connector. His next step is to set up a meeting with Breitburn to obtain permission for use of this property. Dow chemical officials agreed to be present at this meeting.
5. Non – Motorized Transportation Subcommittee
Plant reported that a third meeting for the NMT subcommittee was held. Dave Waite reported to the Midland regional highway group (MPO) on the committee's findings. He stated that Williams Township was one of the few townships that had membership at the meetings. This information is valuable for any state funding of trails such as the pipeline connector. The complete streets policy & program will be finalized in June 2015.
6. Garfield and Midland road Pedestrian Signal
Plant informed the group that efforts are ongoing to obtain funding for the Garfield – Midland road crossing lights at a cost of \$40,000. The project is planned to be added to a Garfield road expansion in 2015.
7. Sidewalk Update
Plant informed the group that Construction of sidewalks from Midland Road to the park and from the fire Department to Meadow Court is completed. A crosswalk sign and paint was added at Country Estates. We all should be proud of the accomplishments of the township and pathway committee.
8. Garfield Road Update
Plant informed the group that at the NMT meeting, Jim Lilo from the Bay County road commission was there and discussed the proposed Garfield road, 3 lane widening project with the group. The construction will be on Garfield road from North Union to US 10 with intended sidewalks being planned. Completion is expected late summer of 2015.
9. New Item of Interest
A question regarding plowing the sidewalks, and/or passing a mandatory 24 hour ordinance for snow removal on township sidewalks was discussed. Plant indicated that he would follow up on this matter with the township board for discussion at our next scheduled meeting
10. Adjournment
Scott Heinz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Warren supported the motion and it passed unanimously. Meeting ended at 8:00 P.M.
11. Next Meeting Date
Pathway Committee will meet on January 20, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the township boardroom.

APPROVED
J Plant 1-21-15