

**RESOLUTION #19-0304-10**

**Re-appointing OPAL Bike Path Committee Members and Approving Revised Charter**

**WHEREAS**, the Liberty Township Board of Trustees with Resolution #14-0507-08 formed the Olentangy Powell and Liberty Trails Committee (OPAL), and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees believes OPAL has provided valuable input on trail connectivity and the needs of the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO** to approve a revised charter of the Liberty Township Olentangy, Powell and Liberty Trails Committee (OPAL) and re-appoint the current members for 2019.

Motion made by Melanie Leneghan and seconded by Mike Gemperline.

**Vote:** yes Mrs. Eichhorn yes Mr. Gemperline yes Mrs. Leneghan

This Resolution shall be in force and become effective immediately upon its execution.

Mar. 4, 2019

Date

CERTIFIED BY:

Nancy Denutte  
Nancy Denutte, Fiscal Officer

Melanie Leneghan  
Melanie Leneghan, Trustee

Mike Gemperline  
Mike Gemperline, Trustee

Shyra Eichhorn  
Shyra Eichhorn, Trustee

**LIBERTY TOWNSHIP  
DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO**

**BIKE PATH COMMITTEE CHARTER**

The residents and visitors of Liberty Township will enjoy a network of trails and safe, inviting and non-intrusive connections to local and regional natural areas, recreational facilities, schools and neighboring communities and trail systems.

In order to achieve this goal in the most cost and time effective manner and to ensure there is resident input into the trail systems, Liberty Township Board of Trustees has appointed members to serve as the Liberty Township Bike Paths and Trails Citizens Committee.

The Liberty Township Bike paths and Trails Citizens Committee is invested in achieving the following objectives:

1. Study the necessary and desirable future bike and pedestrian trail needs of our community and trail connections to neighboring jurisdictions.
2. Update and release as needed a Master Trail Plan
3. Recommend a plan to the Board of Trustees which considers the size & scope of the outstanding construction and maintenance needs, alternative concepts to accomplish the goals and a budget/funding plan
4. Establish an appropriate and workable time frame for completion of each project.
5. Coordinate trail planning with affected adjoining communities (City of Powell), property owners, schools, recreational facilities, etc.
6. Explore funding opportunities or general resource partners including Liberty Township Park Department, Clean Ohio Fund, People for Bikes Grants, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, state and federal grant programs, private business owners, private donors, Safe Routes to School, Land and Water Conservation Fund, local bike path organizations, etc.
7. Explore the formation of a "Friends of Liberty Township Trail" entity which may serve as a possible donation base, citizen participation pool, etc.
8. Work with Liberty Township Zoning Department and Zoning Commission in securing needed approvals to include pathways throughout new developments and to install new pathways.
9. Establish a plan for promoting pedestrian connections between neighborhoods and the pathway system
10. Evaluate a partnership with the Delaware General Health District relative to the Ohio Healthy Communities program.

Those appointed to the Bike Path Committee shall serve for one year from the date of their appointment and shall be eligible for re-appointment on an annual basis by the Liberty Township Board of Trustees.