

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-15

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT ENDORSING THE QUAKERTOWN RAIL-TRAIL PROJECT

WHEREAS, officials of SPRINGFIELD Township, Pennsylvania, consider bicycle and pedestrian transportation to be of utmost importance to the region by providing the region with recreation and transportation opportunities as well as the possibilities of economic and community development; and

WHEREAS, East Penn Railroad, LLC currently leases trackage in Richland Township from the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA), known as the "Bethlehem Branch", operating from Quakertown, Pennsylvania to Pennsylvania Northeast Railroad in Telford, Pennsylvania; and

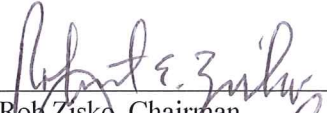
WHEREAS, the Saucon Rail Trail is an established 6.85 mile bicycle and pedestrian trail in the Borough of Hellertown, Lower Saucon Township, Upper Saucon Township, and the Borough of Coopersburg, Pennsylvania, built along an unused portion of a railroad corridor which continues into Springfield Township, Pennsylvania and Richland Township, Pennsylvania, becoming the "Quakertown line", and:

WHEREAS, extending the Saucon Rail Trail through Springfield Township, Pennsylvania would provide new bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure to connect residents and visitors to nearby businesses, parks, schools, libraries, and other community assets, and;

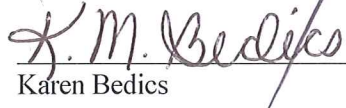
WHEREAS, officials of Springfield Township wish to join their neighbors of the greater Quakertown Region to endorse said project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Springfield Township, Pennsylvania hereby endorses the Quakertown Rail-Trail Project and seeks to pursue the establishment of a bicycle and pedestrian trail along this rail corridor.

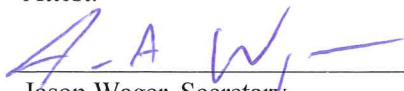
RESOLVED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 2014, by the Board of Supervisors of Springfield Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

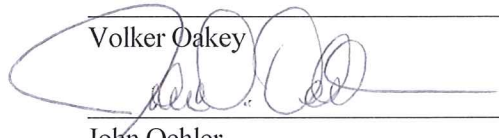
  
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Rob Zisko, Chairman

  
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Dave Long, Vice-Chairman

  
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Attest:

  
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Jason Wager, Secretary

  
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