

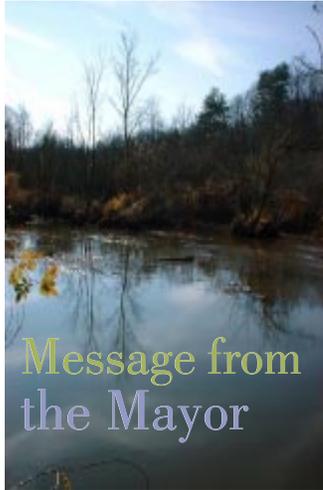
The Pine Brook Greenway Project

The Pine Brook Greenway Project is being developed to provide pedestrian access to the most scenic and ecologically diverse part of the Borough, the Pine Brook stream corridor. Now in the early stages of design, one day the Greenway will follow the stream to connect the historic district at the Falls with the canoe launch site at the Swimming River near Newman Springs Road, a distance of almost two miles.



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Message from the Mayor

The Borough Environmental Commission has been working on the Pine Brook Greenway for several years and has accomplished a great deal so far, including obtaining three grants from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection and one from the NJ

Department of Transportation Recreational Trails Program. The Borough has done its part too, purchasing four agricultural lots west of the Mahala Atchison School and one at the Falls; and gaining an easement for access to the Pine Brook behind the school.

Now, most of the preliminary studies have been done, and we would like the support of Borough citizens for the project. You can do this by helping the Environmental Commission to bring the Greenway to fruition. If you'd like to be involved with this worthwhile project, please contact me at Borough Hall, or send a note to Jon Cohen, Chairman of the Commission.

Incidentally, be sure to visit the Environmental Commission's website at

<http://www.tintonfalls.com/html/environmentcomm.html>

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Progress & Promise

The Pine Brook Greenway project began as a result of a 1991 stream corridor study and natural resources assessment of the Pine Brook, under a matching grant from NJDEP. One of the conclusions of the study was that the brook had extraordinary scenic beauty and a great diversity of flora and fauna, the result of natural protection by steep banks and marshes, and the tidal influences of the estuary. Another conclusion was that this local environmental treasure might not only be preserved, but also made available to Borough citizens for enjoyment, passive recreation, and environmental education.

Later, a preliminary design study was done by a prominent landscape architect that envisioned a boardwalk at the bottom of the banks, right along the stream's edge, with several entry points, including at the Falls, Atchison School, Swimming River School and the canoe launch near the confluence of the Pine Brook and Swimming River.



The Environmental Commission presented the design to the Borough Planning Board and the Council where the concept was unanimously and



enthusiastically approved. Some key land acquisitions by the Borough have made more of the stream corridor public lands.

We are ready to begin the next

stages of the Greenway project, and we'd like to include you in the process. Help us get the project built, so that we all might enjoy it. Please contact the Mayor, a Council member, or the Environmental Commissioners; let them know you're interested and want to help!

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