

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MAY 5, 2016
2:00 P.M.

The following persons were present for the meeting: Chairman James Decker, Sr., Committee members Ron Enyeart and Nicole Houck; President David Quarry, Councilmembers Jim Bair, John Gradwell, Donna Isenberg, Mayor DeeDee Brown, Assistant Borough Secretary Melody J. Parsons and Borough Manager William W. Wheeler.

VISITORS: See attached sign in sheet.

Chairperson Decker called the meeting to order.

Chairperson Decker explained that he would be conducting the meeting as the Committee Rules state. Any visitors requesting to speak may do so at the beginning and then hold all comments until the end.

RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENT: There were not any visitors requesting to speak.

Chairperson Decker stated that he has received an agenda from Judy Chambers for the Strategic Planning Kick-Off meeting scheduled for May 18, 2016 from 6:30-8:30 pm. He will continue to share with the Committee any information he receives on this Program. Chairperson Decker asked Melody to attend to take minutes.

GRANT ADMINISTRATORS' REPORT STATUS & REPORT: Maureen explained to the Committee that when Council submitted the 2015 CDBG grant application they had chosen to put \$20,000.00 towards LED lights on Church St. Maureen spoke with a representative from Penelec and Penelec will pay for the lights. Maureen explained that the \$20,000.00 should be assigned another activity. The Committee agreed that they would use the money for updating sidewalks. Maureen stated that she will have to schedule a hearing to take place within the next couple weeks. Then this change can be approved by Resolution at the next Regular Council Meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Brown did not have a report at this time.

OPEN ISSUES:

UPDATE ON LANDLORD RENTAL FORMS/ORDINANCE: Melody reported to the Committee that she had 160 landlords forms returned, showing a total of 526 rentals, she had mailed out 328 forms, and had 39 student rentals reported. Melody will get the form out to Council to review for the next mailing.

14TH STREET SHEETZ STATUS: Manager Wheeler reported that Sheetz is continuing on schedule.

JUNIATA COLLEGE-STORM WATER CONTROL MEETING-STATUS:

JUNIATA COLLEGE-WINTON HILL PROJECT: Manager Wheeler stated Juniata College is moving forward with plans for Winton Hill

JUNIATA COLLEGE-COLD SPRINGS MOORE STREET PROJECT: Manager Wheeler reported Juniata College is not happy with the design at College Avenue and Cold Springs Road.

BOROUGH PHONE SERVICE: Manager Wheeler reported that the new phone system is about 95% complete.

YARD SALE ORDINANCE: Councilperson Isenberg reported that the yard sale ordinance was advertised in the Daily News on Saturday.

CREATE FORWARD PLAN FOR LED LIGHTING: Manager Wheeler recommended that Council look at other communities that have LED lights. They do not light up the sidewalks just the streets.

NEW BUSINESS:

RE-INSTITUTING OF BOROUGH SIDE WALK PROGRAM: Discussed earlier.

6TH STREET: Councilperson Gradwell reported to the Committee that he was approached by someone interested in buying the property on 6th street formerly the Kuntz Building. This will be moved to the Administrative Committee.

JUNIATA COLLEGE-ART COURSE BUILDING: Manager Wheeler reported that Juniata College expects to have the Art Course building completed by fall 2017.

ACTION GROUPS-BOROUGH COUNCIL PROCEDURE: Chairperson Decker expressed that he feels that the Borough should be the central contact for any groups that are completing projects in the Borough. This would decrease any duplications that may occur.

ADJOURNMENT:

FINAL DRAFT

BY: Melody J. Parsons
Assistant Borough Secretary