

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
**AUGUST 4, 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 and Donna Isenberg, Junior Council Person Madison Troha, 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.

**RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jeff Gill stated that there is not a “No left turn” sign on Moore Street at Sheetz. Manager Wheeler stated that he thought Sheetz was going to take care of that. He will have a sign put on the existing stop sign until he gets the opportunity to speak with Sheetz representative.

Pam Grugan was present to give the Committee an update on “Walk Huntingdon”. She would like to first address the vandalism issue. There are 14 damaged signs with 1 sign completely gone. She was open for any suggestions for any solutions that might help curtail this. Manager Wheeler reported that all remaining signs have been reinforced and put back up. Chairperson Decker stated that we should meet and see how we can move forward to the next phase.

Chairperson Decker updated the Committee on the Strategic Planning and invited all council members to attend the meetings. The Strategic Planning Committee put together a survey to send out to anyone with any interest in the Borough. There have been over 200 surveys returned. The next meeting is scheduled for August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**GRANT ADMINISTRATORS’ REPORT STATUS & REPORT:** Maureen Safko from the Huntingdon County Planning office was present to update the Committee on FY2015 and FY2016 CDBG money. She presented her report to Council including the intended curb cuts to be replaced. She asked if there were any questions.

Ms. Safko also updated the committee regarding the concern of losing the multiple grant years dollars. Council previously agreed on a modification to include the balance of the FY2011, FY2012, and FY2013 funds for the Blair Field Parking Lot. Chairperson Decker suggested that the borough plan to put whatever necessary effort to save these funds on a fast track. Maureen will work with Manager Wheeler and Melody to provide the necessary actions to meet the required timing to ensure we don't lose these dollars.

**OPEN ISSUES:**

**14<sup>TH</sup> STREET SHEETZ STATUS:** Manager Wheeler reported that Sheetz is open for business. There will not be a formal ribbon cutting opening. He will address the “No left turn” sign.

Manager Wheeler asked Council what they wanted to do about no parking on Moore Street. Councilperson Bair stated that he doesn't feel we should do a whole ½ block of no parking. Councilperson Isenberg suggested we wait a month or 2 and see how things go.

**JUNIATA COLLEGE-STORM WATER CONTROL MEETING-STATUS:**

Manager Wheeler reported that it is going well.

**JUNIATA COLLEGE-WINTON HILL PROJECT:** Manager Wheeler stated the Winton Hill Project will not be completed as quickly as they had hoped. They are still planning on having it completed this year.

**JUNIATA COLLEGE-COLD SPRINGS MOORE STREET PROJECT:**

Manager Wheeler reported that the Juniata College Board has given its approval for the modification. They plan to remove berm at Sunderland Hall at College Avenue to allow for better visibility.

**JUNIATA COLLEGE – ISMA(Arts) Building Project:** Manager Wheeler stated that the comments from both the Huntingdon Planning Commission and the Borough Planning Commission will be going to the Borough Solicitor and the Borough Engineer for final approval.

**WINE DOWN WEEKEND:** There were no questions.

**WALKING BROCHURE STATUS:** Councilperson Houck is going to meet with Iona Ballrich to see what the final steps are and report back to the committee next month.

**BOROUGH ACTIVITIES REGISTRATION:** Manager Wheeler reported that he has not had an opportunity to work on draft of the form yet.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BOROUGH TOWN CLOCK:** Chairperson Decker stated that in 1872 action was taken that made the Borough responsible for the clock. We do not have a clue as to what this may cost to repair. Manager Wheeler reported that Bob Rogers stated that he feels there are major problems with the clock. President Quarry stated do we want to postpone this. Councilperson Isenberg stated that she agrees we should postpone this item for a while. She feels we need more information on the cost. Councilperson Enyeart stated we do not maintain other church's clocks. Councilperson Bair agreed that he does not want to spending thousands of dollars on a clock.

**SHOP HISTORIC DOWNTOWN HUNTINGDON BROCHURE:** Chairperson Decker stated that this brochure is an example of how things go on that we are not made aware of.

Manager Wheeler reported that he had a request from Fred Foster, Superintendent of Huntingdon School District, to paint lines for parking spaces on Cassidy Avenue and across from the Administration Building. Council decided that they had no problem with this. Manager Wheeler will request a letter from the School District stating their request.

**ADJOURNMENT**

BY Melody J. Parsons  
Assistant Borough Secretary