

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
JULY 5, 2018
5:00 P.M.

Chairman Johnathan Hyde called the Community Development meeting to order.

Roll call was taken and the following members were present: President Nicole Houck, Vice President Sean Steeg, Councilman David Quarry, Councilman James Bair Jr., Councilman Johnathan Hyde, Councilman Terry Green, Mayor David Wessels, and Borough Manager Daniel Varner.

Richard King took the minutes of this meeting.

Visitors present: Linda DeArmitt (5:07)

Chairman Johnathan Hyde asked Linda DeArmitt if she had any comments.

Linda presented a flyer on the Huntingdon Event Center for a Luau. This is to be held on Saturday, July 28, 2018 from 6:00 PM till 9:00 PM.

Linda stated that they are planning a lot of events to be held there.

- There was a discussion on the Taylor Highlands Home Owners Association and not Catherine Street. Dan mentioned that Solicitor Rich Wilson told him in his opinion that the Highland Home Owners Association receive money to take care of the Retention Ponds, Stormwater, Mowing etc and Huntingdon Borough does not need to take over the responsibility.
- Mayor David Wessels stated that they pay the HOA \$125.00 per year to take care of this.
- Dan Varner mentioned about the Growing Greener Grant and about having rain gardens on the open streets to slow down the storm water.
- Dan Varner stated that Kim Polm from DCED will be here on Monday, July 9, 2018 at 8:30 AM to give us technical support on the CDBG, and about the monitoring that is going to happen. The Audit is going to be on July 26, 2018.
- Dan Varner stated that George Drobnock, himself and Melody Mason from the County will be here. Yvonne Martin will be available by phone. He said that there has been emails back and forth with DCED setting up the meeting.
- Dan Varner mentioned about the record keeping and that the Microloan Records they want to see go clear back at the beginning of the program.
- Vice President Sean Steeg mentioned that George Drobnock and he have been in the basement looking for records.
- Dan Varner stated that he has hired Abby Waldorf to help George Drobnock and she is working on an ARLI Traffic grant for 9th and Mifflin Street.

- Mayor Dave Wessels stated that he would like to form a committee to video information and put on you tube to be placed on the website with tabs and archives and Facebook. He said he would need 2 or more people to help. Councilman James Bair Jr., Vice President Sean Steeg and Councilman Johnathan Hyde said they would help
- Mayor Wessels said we will need a date to meet, to set bullets, targets and make of list. He mentioned about doing videos on adding Rain Barrels, Safety Issues, and the new law on Fireworks etc.
- Mayor Wessels spoke on the planning of the Christmas Tree Lighting program with help from Deb Higgins and Deb Hickes. This will be November 30, 2018 and be lit for a month. He said they wanted to have events all weekend.
- Mayor Wessels stated that he wants to get with Jesse Morgan and have the parade changed to December 1, 2018 instead of the Saturday before Christmas
- James Bair Jr., mentioned that Harry Salters is the President and you need to get with him.
- Mayor Wessels mentioned about the residents decorating after Thanksgiving for Christmas and have GODEZI drive some people around town and pick a winner.
- Mayor Wessels stated about the Huntingdon Community Center, Borough Council and Juniata College going together to develop the lower part of the old Williams Smith School as an Education Arboretum and maybe get some grants.