

Huntingdon Borough Community Development Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 3, 2019

The Community Development Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM by Chairman Johnathan Hyde.

Committee members present were Vice-President Sean Steeg.

Others present were President Nicole Houck, Councilman James Bair Jr., Councilman Robert Jackson Jr., Mayor David Wessels, Borough Manager Daniel Varner and Borough Secretary Richard King.

Chairman Johnathan Hyde recognized the guest present and asked if they had any comments at this time.

- Linda Dearmitt spoke on the May Fest and said that she needed a rider of Insurance to park in the Presbyterian Parking Lot.
- Linda spoke on several projects that she would like to do.
- Linda said that she would like to have a cleanup project before Mayfest, by pulling weeds and spraying.
- Linda said that she has plants at home that she would like to plant.
- Linda said that she would like to paint the drains and grates in the sidewalk and would like to paint graphics.
- Linda said that she would like to have the banner up on April 1, 2019.
- Mayfest will be held on April 27, 2019.

Chairman Johnathan Hyde then proceeded to the Grant Administrator Status Report.

- Dan Varner spoke on this. Dan said that George has sent several emails and has received no response.
- Dan Varner said that he would like to close the accounts but we have not heard anything on this.
- Dan Varner said that they had indicated we would receive a letter by December 31, 2018 but it hasn't arrived.

Chairman Johnathan Hyde then proceeded to the Mayors report.

- Mayor David Wessels had no report.

Chairman Johnathan Hyde then proceeded to any open issues.

- Dan Varner said we need to look at ideas for the CDBG 2019 funds and a lot will depend on the letter we receive.

- Dan Varner spoke on the Micro Economic Loan and would like to put more money into this.
- Dan Varner spoke on Bloomtown and using the flag pole holders for their baskets. Dan said that Bob Geissinger had paid \$16.00 for each holder. Bob Geissinger said that he could not put out flags due to the flower baskets. It was mentioned that Bloomtown should purchase their own holders.

Terry Green arrived at 5:25 PM

- Robert Jackson Jr., said that we should give Bloomtown a schedule of when the flags go out.
- Dan Varner said that he has 5,000 little Christmas lights bulbs that we could give away if anyone needs them.
- Dan Varner said that Bob Geissinger's Committee had paid for the LED Lights.
- Dan Varner said that the Christmas tree and Christmas Lights have been taken down.
- Mayor David Wessels said that he would like to see lights put back up on the trees next year and there was a discussion on this.
- Chairman Johnathan Hyde said that we should do something on Penn Street next year.
- Dan Varner spoke on Flag Pole Hill and that the signage and past practices was only open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Memorial Day until Labor Day. He mentioned that Maintenance would open it up in the morning and the Police department would close it at night. Dan said that somewhere along the line this has stopped. Dan Varner said that we are going to follow the signage rules and close the gate till Memorial Day.
- There was a discussion on the Fireworks and the Mayor's office has taken over. There are funds to cover this year. Bob Geissinger always sent out letters and was always a year ahead on funds. When doing the letter, it was recommended to have Bob Geissinger sign this.

Meeting adjourned at 5:54 PM.

Minutes submitted by,

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