

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
APRIL 5, 2018
5:00 P.M.

The following persons were present for the meeting: Chairman Johnathan Hyde, Committee members Dave Quarry and Sean Steeg, Robert Jackson, Jim Bair, Borough Secretary Melody J. Parsons and Borough Manager William W. Wheeler.

VISITORS: Jennifer Clark, Rick Bayer, Steve Heine, Amber Newby, and Jacob Gorden.

Chairperson Hyde called the meeting to order.

RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rick Bayer is in attendance on behalf of the Presbyterian Church. He is asking for some help with paying for the repairs to the town clock. They are asking for an agreement that can be included in the application for funding. Chairperson Hyde stated that he would be more willing to give money from the borough to get over the top. He wants to see how the fundraiser goes. Mr. Bayer stated that we need something in writing.

Dave Wessels arrived 5:15 pm

Jacob Gorden was present to give an update on the 5K run.

Amber Newry, 529 Church Street, would like to start a composting program in the Borough. She would like to purchase two rotating barrels for this and would like to put them near by Laney's Feed Mill. She also asked if the Borough got help with the cost of the barrels. Chairperson Hyde stated they will look into it. Chairperson Hyde asked if there is any recycling money.

GRANT'S ADMINISTRATOR STATUS & REPORT: Kimberly Polm, Economic Development Analyst, is waiting for the justification as to why the FY2014 money wasn't spent. She asked for a timeline of the work the plan to do. Manager Wheeler will put together a schedule. Chairperson Hyde asked what do we need to do. Councilperson Bair asked Manager Wheeler to contact the County and see what they would charge to help with FY2014. Manager Wheeler will contact George Drobnock, Mark Colussy, and Kimberly Polm.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Wessels reported that Robert Reitman, Director HCBI, found a Grant for LED lighting that can be used for Moore, Washington, Mifflin, and Penn Streets. It will also cover a lighting survey. This is 100% funding. This will be put on the agenda for approval at the next regular meeting.

OPEN ISSUES:

MICROLOANS STATUS REPORT: Melody gave a report on the status of the microloan.

DOWNTOWN SATURDAY STREET MARKET: Chairperson Hyde gave an update on the downtown Saturday street market.

COFFEE WITH COUNCIL UPDATE: Councilperson Steeg reported that the next Community Chat will be at the 15th Street Methodist Church.

HIGHLANDS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION: This is tabled until next month.

Mayor Wessels asked if the traffic mirror was put up at the Highlands. Manager Wheeler stated it has not.

NEW BUSINESS:

Manager Wheeler reported that he met with DCED regarding FEMA at the Courthouse.

Manager Wheeler reported that he has 2 requests for signs. Calvary Church and Shuck Agency. He stated if you take the board down and put a new name on the sign, he believes this requires a permit. President Houck asked what does the Ordinance say. Chairperson Hyde stated if taking down the sign and putting up the same sign and the same mount it should not require a permit. President Houck stated we need to make a concrete decision. Spell everything out in the ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

BY Melody J. Parsons
Borough Secretary