**Huntingdon Borough Community Development Committee Meeting**

**Thursday, July 2, 2020**

The Huntingdon Borough Community Development Committee Meeting; was held in the Borough Council Room, 530 Washington Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652.

Committee Members present were Chairman David Quarry, Vice-President Sean Steeg.

Members present were Councilman James Bair, Borough Manager Chris Stevens and Borough Secretary Richard King.

Guest present was Jennifer McMullen.

Jennifer McMullen said she was here to ask permission to do a mural on her sidewalk. Jennifer said there were a couple of girls that used paint, stepped on it and walked across her sidewalk. Jennifer said that she tried to wash it off, but it did not help. Jennifer said that a power washer would probably work.

Jennifer McMullen said that she would not paint anything crazy, offensive, and vulgar or nudity, but wanted to paint trees, fish and flowers on a couple of blocks of her sidewalk.

Sean Steeg asked how many blocks were in front of her house.

Jennifer McMullen said six blocks but only wanted to do two.

Jim Bair said he is opposed to this because you allow one, then everyone will want to do this.

Chris Stevens said the Sidewalk Ordinance is not very clear.

Sean Steeg said this is a liability on the homeowner.

David Quarry said the Sidewalk Ordinance does need looked at.

Chris Stevens asked Jennifer if she has looked at using chalk.

Jennifer McMullen said that the artist in her, she wants to be creative and have it look nice.

Chris Stevens said that Jennifer McMullen was looking at replacing her sidewalk in a year or two.

The committee was fine in allowing her to go ahead and paint two blocks.

Chairman David Quarry proceeded to the Grants Administrators report.

Chris Stevens said that the County and Huntingdon Boroughs first public hearing on the 2020 CDBG grant went well.

Chris Stevens said we could make our parking lots look nice with the grant.

Chris said that the 6th Street parking lot, we would be splitting the paving with UGI.

Chris Stevens said we could put new lights in the 6th Street parking lot.

Chris Stevens said that part of the 2020 CDBG is to go towards the Town Clock.

Chris Stevens said that the plan to start tearing down the corner of Huntingdon Electric is on July 24.

Chris Stevens said the Blair Building is almost finished.

Chris Stevens spoke on the Micro-Enterprise Loan program.

Chris Stevens said that Dan Varner and George Drobnock were in, and picked up their packets and the program is much ready to go. Chris said that we need three members to review the applications. Chris said that we would limit the loans to $5,000.00 or we could give out more. Chris said the committee would bring their recommendations to Borough Council and George Drobnock would maintain all the records and filing of reports.

Chairman David Quarry proceeded to Old and New Business.

Chris Stevens said he has met the Eads group on the Solar Street Lights. Chris said that below 13th Street, there are many issues. Chris said that we could run the lights from 17th to 14th Street on Moore Street, go across 14th Street to Washington Street and down Washington Street. Chris said we would have to see what the $250,000.00 grant would get us.

Chris Stevens said he has told them to have the lights up by Christmas.

Chris Stevens said if they were sonic tubes, we would have maintenance dig, place and concrete. Chris said the panels would need to face south.

Chris Stevens said that Adam Miller has applied for a $23,000.00 soft boat launch grant through Southern Alleghenies.

Chris Stevens said that Adam Miller has applied for a $23,000.00 health initiative grant through Highmark for bikes.

Chris Stevens said the lights at the Cemetery flags is completed, and looks nice.

Chris Stevens said we have moved the fence to the sidewalks to open the parking lot more.

Chris Stevens said that Danny Peightal is pulling weeds in the parking lots and around the building.

Chris Stevens said the banners are up in the parking lots, but they are not the right size. Chris said the banners, will be corrected and when we receive those, we will give the others to the families. Chris said we are up to 52 banners now.

Chris Stevens said that he drove up to New York to pick up the banners on Wednesday, so they could be up before July 4. Chris said if he did not drive up, that we might not have received them on time.

David Quarry asked about Clean-up days.

Chris Stevens said we would not get the inmates until next year due to COVID-19. Chris said that sometime in September he is planning but does not have any set dates yet. Chris said that he is waiting for Maintenance to have some free time; and then he would get with Brad Hollenbaugh for dates. Chris said he is looking at mid to late September.

Sean Steeg said when looking at dates, we need to keep an eye on the schools for their events.

Chris Stevens said that when he has some dates, he would email everyone.

The Community Development Committee meeting adjourned at 5:35 PM.

Minutes submitted by,

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Borough Secretary