The Huntingdon Borough Community Development Committee meeting was held in the Borough Conference Room, 530 Washington Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652.

Members present were President James Bair, Vice-President David Fortson, Councilman Robert Jackson, Councilman David Quarry, Councilwoman Dee Dee Brown, Councilman Terry Green, Councilwoman Jennifer Powell, Borough Manager Chris Stevens and Borough Secretary Richard King.

Guest present were Jennifer Clark, Gary Cramer, Dean Harris and Joseph Thompson.

Chairman Robert Jackson called the Community Development Committee meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

Chairman Robert Jackson recognized the guest present and ask for their comments.

There were no comments made by the guest present.

Chairman Robert Jackson called on the Grants Administrator’s report.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens reported that we have not received anything in writing yet on the Green Light Go Grant of $256,000.00 for the other traffic signals but was heard on the news. Chris said that we will not need a Highway Occupancy Permit for these.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said we have received the permit for the Amphitheater and we had a meeting on Monday, August 1, 2022. Chris said the first thing we need to do is to survey, stake and lay out the project.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said that HRI was contacted and they have agreed to donate their time and material.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said that Dan Varner will now be seeking other donations for this project.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said there is a lot of work to do on water, sewer, electric and storm water infrastructure.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said we will need to bid out the bathrooms since this is a grant.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said there will be a lot of in-house work done as a match.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said we should be seeing movement on the Soft Boat Launch and the Bulk Water Station.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens reported that Adam Miller has submitted the application in the amount of $294,000.00 for the pathway between Portstown Park and the Dog Park. Chris said we had applied before and was turned down.

President James Bair said that we can argue this by stating that this is a safety issue and the pathway is already being used.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said he is trying to find someone to paint the bike path on Susquehanna Avenue

Borough Manager Chris Stevens reported that the town clock project has been awarded to Seiler & Drury and they will be setting up a meeting next week.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said the 6th Street parking lot is on the clock.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said the next public hearing for CDBG will be on September 13, 2022.

There was a discussion on clocks in town, to have Juniata College students do an income survey and we need to get a list of priority projects

Chairman Robert Jackson called on the Borough Manager’s report.

Chris Stevens said the Wine Down Weekend Committee is requesting to hold their event on Saturday, September 3, 2022 from 11:00 AM till 5:00 PM and wants permission to shut down Washington Street from 8th to 5th Street from 6:00 AM till 6:00 PM.

**The Community Development Committee recommends a motion to allow the Wine Down Weekend Committee to host their event on Saturday, September 3, 2022 from 11:00 AM till 5:00 PM and to close down Washington Street from 8th to 5th Street from 6:00 AM till 6:00 PM.**

Chairman Robert Jackson called on the Mayor’s report.

Thomas Yoder said he attended the Visitor’s Wake-up Reception, where there was around 115 people who attended, and handed out menus and events schedules to bring people into Huntingdon.

Thomas Yoder said there is a banner being made that states Discover Downtown Huntingdon.

Chairman Robert Jackson called on Old Business.

Councilwoman Jennifer Powell said she had talked to the Community Center to hold the Mental Health Awareness Training and this would cost $1,500.00. Jennifer said she is asking if we could take this money from the ARP Funds.

**The Community Development Committee recommends a motion to take $1,500.00 from the ARP Funds for the Borough to sponsor a Mental Health Awareness Training Program in partnership with the Community Center.**

 Chairman Robert Jackson called on New Business.

There was nothing reported under New Business.

Executive Session was not called for.

Chairman Robert Jackson called on Any Other Business.

There was nothing reported under Any Other Business.

After no further business, the Community Development Committee meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by,

Richard S. King
Borough Secretary