

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

MEETING on July 11, 2019 – MINUTES

1. The meeting of the COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE was called to order at 6:04 PM by Sue Yenchko. In attendance were Kasha Griva, Joe Gargiulo, Rebecca Yearick, Judy McAlister, Bob Huggler and Cindy Foster, Borough Manager.

2. **Public Comment** – Kasha Griva spoke on the subject of signage. Following up on the previous meetings comments regarding wayfinding signs, she checked into costs for wooden Gateway Signs that would feature individual portraits from The Lemoyne Passage mural. A local signmaker who was contacted quoted approx. \$1580 cost per sign without installation. A resin , koma zell, was discussed too, as more durable than wood and more weatherproof. After much discussion, Ms. Griva agreed to continue researching state road signage requirements, borough signage requirements and possibilities for funding as this idea is further explored.

3. **Minutes** of the June 13, 2019 meeting were approved unanimously by a Gargiulo/Griva motion.

4. Old Business –

A. **Community Survey Project** – The survey contractor, FieldGoals.US, had interviewers available at the Concert at Negley but there was limited success in getting surveys distributed and no announcement was made regarding the availability of the survey. 25 Copies were delivered to the Borough office for handout as were green handout cards announcing the survey. The cards give the link to the survey and will be handed out to residents who come to the borough office to promote people to respond to the survey. Posters will be requested from FieldGoals to put in local businesses and other establishments around the town. Requests will be made for a billboard from Lamar and a banner to be hung in Karns store. After much discussion the committee will ask Council to use Swift911 to announce the availability of the survey. We should also have a presence at National Night Out.

B. **PA Historical Marker and the National Register of Historic Places Marker** – Ms. Yenchko reached out to Archeologist, Andrew Wyatt asking him to begin writing the applications for consideration of a Pennsylvania State Historical Marker and the NRHP Designation. The Committee will offer any assistance needed. Completed submission is due by 11/1/2019.

B. **Aesthetic Overlay** The joint meeting with the Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, 7/10/19 with much good discussion resulting. Ms. Yearick provided an overview of the Development Compatibility Overlay that already exists and there was discussion of how an aesthetic overlay could enhance other design aspects for property owners in certain areas covered by the overlay. Most thought that the Third Street corridor was the best place for it. The Committee and the Commission will do a walking tour of the Third Street area on an upcoming Saturday (to be decided later).

D. **“Imagine West Shore Comprehensive Plan” (2009)** –This item is on HOLD for the time being.

X.7. Downtown - Design –

X.8 . Downtown Design Replacement

X.9. Downtown Design - Incorporating infill and redevelopment design standards into zoning and land development ordinances

E. **Archeological Dig Mural**– The Mural has been printed and the new dimensions are now 36 X 90 which is larger than we had originally expected. The Johnson Imaging price is \$155.26. AC Moore’s price originally \$663.86, increased to \$770.51. On a Gargiulo/Griva motion, the price change was approved.

5. New Business

- A. **Movie Night at the Park** – Movie Night in Memorial Park was changed to August 17th due to equipment not being available on August 24th. (NOTE: at the Council meeting on July 18th the date changed back to the 24th since a new source for the equipment was found) Films to be shown in order of preference were: 1) Secret Life of Pets, 2) Hotel Transylvania 2, 3) Hotel Transylvania 3, and 4) Moana. The proposed cost is: \$400 for licensing and \$150 to rent the screen and projector. On a Griva/Gargiulo motion, the committee recommended that costs for this event should not exceed \$700.

6. Other Business? – Mr. Gargiulo discussed that a neighbor or his talked to him about the abandoned right-of-way at 8th Street between Walnut and Pennsylvania. His neighbor is concerned that no one is taking care of it and may come to the Borough Council meeting to talk to Council.

Ms. Yenchko asked about the response to Ms. Seeger’s comments at the last meeting. Ms. Foster gave a summary of the work done/scheduled to be done, to remedy the complaints. The complaints are being taken seriously. Regarding Flynn Park which is a park area in its natural state, the borough should erect a “Conservation Park” sign so that there is no misunderstanding that the park area is being neglected.

7. Public Comment -

8. Next Meeting – September 12, 2019 @ 6 PM

9. Adjournment – 7:57 PM