

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

MEETING ON APRIL 12, 2018

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6PM by Committee Chair, Sue Yenchko. In attendance were: Chris Purcell, Sue Rothman, Rebecca Yearick, Bob Huggler, Andrea MacDonald, Laurie Zimmerman, Joe Garguila, Gale Gallo and Cindy Foster, Borough Manager.

After a recap of the purpose and goal for the meeting, discussion centered on the many items on the Community Impacts Menu (provided by Rebecca Yearick of the CCRD). In order to take a survey of Lemoyne Citizens as start to the community visioning process, we placed the 28 "menu" items into seven broad categories...**1) Neighborhoods, 2) Health and Wellness, 3) Community Design, 4) Neighboring Communities, 5) Arts and Culture, 6) Resources and 7) Technology.** There was a question about how much detail should be in the survey. Andrea MacDonald volunteered to take a first crack at putting a draft survey together.

Next we discussed the best way to **distribute the survey** – e-mail addresses, door-to-door handouts, Handouts at West Shore Plaza, the Farmer's Market, the Concert at Negley, National Night Out. Using the Member's First electronic message board or getting billboard space donated from Lamar would call attention to the availability of the survey. Possibly using WITF's PSA announcements too. We could also send out postcards directing citizens to an electronic website. Maybe put a QR Code on the postcard. Ms. Foster will investigate the price to send out the postcards. The merits of "SurveyMonkey" or "KwikSurveys.com" were debated. Most were familiar with the former, and not so much with the latter.

The **timeline** would be to distribute the survey in August and collect responses by mid-September, publishing the aggregate totals in the October Borough newsletter. The newsletter would also announce the actual Visioning exercise for (a) date(s) in November.

A **Parks issue** was also discussed: What ground cover should underlie the new play equipment at Maple Street Park? Wood chips (used primarily now), rubber chips or poured rubber flooring. The wood chips are the least expensive and the poured flooring is the most expensive @ \$14/sq ft (\$58,240). No conclusion was reached and it will be brought up at the May 7th working meeting.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 PM.