

# Claysville Business Association

March 17, 2015

The March 17th held at the Main Street Café. There were approximately 10 members in attendance. The meeting was opened by Ross Bevevino at 8 A.M.

There were no minute from the February meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** A balance of \$1403.98 was reported with 9 paid members for 2015. Motion to approve was made by Wes Parry and seconded by Zack Prescott. Approved.

**CAPRI:** No formal actions were taken at the monthly meeting. There will be grant request submitted for the 2015 Washington County Tourism Grant Program. There will be discussion about a possible project for the 2016 period.

**LSA Grant:** After approval the Claysville Playground Association/McGuffey Park grant was approved. It is in process. No construction may begin until funds are received. Funds will not be received until the Fall 2015.

**BANNER PROJECT:** This is an ongoing project. The scope and intent of the program has been changed somewhat and further discussion will be needed prior to implementation.

## **SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS:** McGuffey School District

- The Future Farmers Association (FFA) high school students secured a "Food For All" grant that provides funding for FFA students to raise or grow local food to provide to our needy families. The students will arrange monthly-themed baskets of food and provide lessons on preparation methods at the high school. Contents of the baskets will include eggs, produce grown in our greenhouse, plants and herbs grown in the greenhouse and local meats. They have secured connections with Claysville Food Bank to provide food for the needy families.
- McGuffey School District was awarded \$25,000 from Consol Energy and Washington Co Community Foundation for a 5th grade STrEAM Grant. This will provide iPads to students in both schools and 3D printers for their projects.
- McGuffey School District received a donation of two beehives and two bee colonies to begin an apiary at the middle school/ high school complex. The beehives will be functional this summer and FFA students will maintain them with the hope to develop honey/ wax products and conduct lessons to elementary students.
- Moriah McGuier was awarded the ZONTA International Chapter of Washington County award.
- The boys wrestling and girl's basketball teams made it to state playoffs this winter.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Yancocek reported that activity was status quo.

**BUSINESS ASSOCIATION:** A discussion ensued regarding a name change for the business association. Kathy Prescott suggested we changed the name to the Claysville/Donegal Business Association, but after further discussion it was determined that we should consider a name change that would be conducive to “branding”. Wes Parry indicated that this had been at the forefront of his thought processes regarding the name. We will wait until we have completed the membership drive. There was discussion about redefining the mission statement, but it was decided that it should require input from more business members. We plan to invite business owners to a program sponsored by the business association on May 21, 2015 6 P.M. at the Community Center. Notices will provided and phone calls made to businesses with an invite to attend.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** An election was held to elect the following officers:

President/Chair: Wes Parry

Vice President/Chair: Robert Daniels

Treasurer: Mike Marcischak

Secretary: Katherine Prescott

A motion was made by Rico Vespa and seconded by Ross Bevevino to nominate Wes Parry to the position of president. No other nominations were presented. Nominations closed. Motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Zack Prescott with a second by Wes Parry to accept remaining incumbent officers for the 2015 term. Motion approved unanimously

**COMMUNITY NEWS:**

**CHURCHES:**

- Claysville United Methodist Church will hold a Roast Beef dinner on April 18, 2015; 4-7 PM at the Fire Hall. Tickets are \$10 for a large meal and \$7 for a small meal. Proceeds benefit the Association of Churches
- The Maunday Thursday service will be held at 7 PM at all churches
- The Good Friday Cross Walk will be held beginning at noon.
- The Claysville Area Men will sponsor a Hymn Sing on March 25 at the United Methodist Church
- Lenten Lunches continue the last being held on March 25<sup>th</sup> at the Presbyterian Church
- March 26 the Christian Church will hold a take & go Lasagna Meal

## LOCAL

- BuffaloCreek Watershed Association will sponsor the Alliance Annual Meeting
  - o March 19 – 5:30 PM, Cost \$10
  - o March 21 there will be cleanup on Railroad Street 10 AM to 12:30 PM
  - o April 9 – PA Bird and Mammal Program, 7 PM Township Bldg
  - o April 26 – Enlow Flower Walk Richhill Twp – 7:45 a.m. through 2 P.M.
  - o May 3 – Bird Walk IBA -80 & 30 A.M. S Bridge, Rte 40 & 221
- Washington County Sister to Sister Summit will be held March 27-28 at the Citizens Library. 6-7 th Grad girls are eligible.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Prescott