

# CLAYSVILLE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

**July 17, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Ross Bevevino. 9 members were in attendance.

**MINUTES:** - were reviewed and approved with no changes. Minutes were sent via email prior to the meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** June 1 balance was \$1858.11. The June 30 balance was \$1858.11. There are possibly 2 more members who are yet unpaid.

**DUTCH FORK LAKE** □ A group of volunteers built □ spider homes □ for fish habitat on June 30. It is expected that fill will begin sometime near the end of July. It will be filled 1/3 full, the levy tested, drained and refilled. There is a proposal to create a figure 8 clearing of trees to accommodate boating and fishing.

**CAPRI** □ **MURAL** □ No changes reported on the project. CAPRI will be meeting over the Summer to review the by-laws, discuss possible grants and plans for the next year.

**ADMIN BUILDING** □ The open house went well, it was covered by the Observer Reporter. Representative Daley's office will be moving around July 17. New office furniture will be delivered from Harrisburg around that date. The state will be paying \$600 each month for the office which will defray the costs for the Borough.

**Banner Campaign:** Ross will draft a letter to be sent to the business association members asking if they have an interest in supporting more banners along the main street which will carry their business name. Mike Marchshak sent a check for \$170 to the borough for the cost of the steel to make the hanging brackets.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN** - Ross brought a copy of the plan which will be given to CAPRI for use in the grant process throughout the application period.

**Borough:** The Fitch building renovation is progressing and is a significant improvement in appearance. There was a discussion regarding an electronic sign for Claysville. It would be an effective resource for providing information about activities in Claysville and emphasizing businesses. It is almost cost prohibitive.

**Velma Minter Memorial:** Reverend Rico Vespa has received volunteer funding for a bench for the Minters. Only \$100 will be used from the bench fund. The bench will be placed on bank property to the left of the electronic bank sign. A pad will be built there. The bench will be in honor of both Bill and Velma Minter.

**Community Center** - flea market was sold out of vendor tables. The event was well organized, but there was little support from the community and few buyers. They may have another event in the fall.

**Marcellus Shale Report** □ Penn Gas Lands reported that gas prices are at a recent low and that the rig count in Pennsylvania has been reduced. The companies are moving to Ohio to further pursue Marcellus gas. It is a very quiet period.

**Covered Bridge Festival Report** - The committee is moving forward with planning the event. Many of the participants have been contracted and there is a need for more crafters/vendors. A request was made for help in selling the lottery tickets as that is a significant part of the funding for the event. It was reported that the committee would like to have a large banner to hang across Main Street but the cost at the moment was prohibitive.

**Miscellaneous** - Katherine Prescott asked if the business association should survey businesses seeking their input about the business association and what benefit the association was to them. Ross indicated that at one time the association was organized to help businesses prosper, but that there was a lack of consensus concerning how to proceed. The business association evolved into a forum to keep businesses informed about community happenings.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

THE KITE FAMILY WILL BE AT THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ON SATURDAY, JULY 21 BEGINNING AT 6 PM. THEY WILL ALSO PERFORM AT THE ROAD SIDE CHAPEL ON SUNDAY, JULY 22.

THE FIREMEN'S FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD ON JULY 28 BEGINNING AT 5:59 P.M. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

DIANE ADAMS WILL HOLD AN ART SHOW ON JULY 22 FROM 2-6 P.M.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rob Daniels , seconded by Mike Marcishak. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 A.M.

Katherine Prescott