

Western Route 40 Business Association

February 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 A.M. The meeting was held at the Main Street Café. There were approximately 10 members in attendance.

MINUTES: Minutes were distributed via email prior to the meeting. Rico Vespa made a motion to approve the minutes. Aleta Richmond seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No activity was reported.

CAPRI: No report.

BANNER PROJECT: Rico Vespa suggested we begin anew with the banner project. We will try to get a new committee to develop a new banner prototype and survey businesses on the feasibility.

POLICE REPORT: Status Quo

ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES:

The Christen Church was closed on February 14, due a water/sewage problem.

Lenten lunches will began the week of February 17. The first was held at Claysville United Methodist Church at noon. The following dates remain:

February 24 – First Baptist Church of Claysville; Pastor Mike Matthews.

March 2 – Claysville Presbyterian Church; Pastor Jerome Creach

March 9 - Sacred Heart; Deacon Barry Krocheck

March 16 – Claysville Christian Church; Rev. John Richards.

Each luncheon is from 12:05- 12:55. There is no charge for the luncheon. A free will offering is received.

Biscuit Dinner will be held March 5 at the Christian Church.

Lenten Fish Fry will continue this year each Friday at Sacred Heart.

There will a Cross Walk on Good Friday. Soup will be available at the First Baptist Church 7 P.M.

March 19 – the “Stop Hunger” project will be held at the West Alexander Community Center. Time to be announced.

SCHOOLS: There were no attendees from the school district.

PIKE FESTIVAL: It appears that no permits have been issued by the borough for the festival. An insurance certificate from the previous year is on file at the borough office. A question was asked whether the pike festival was an independent event or a business association sponsored event. It is not clear at this time what would be the status of the event. A question was asked about who pays for the electricity used, where the proceeds are maintained and for what use, as well as coverage of all involved agencies for insurance purposes. Mike Marcishak will be contacted to determine if he has followed up with the event planners.

John Yancosek reported that he had addressed the business association use of the borough building for meetings and that it appeared that the use was okay with the council.

There was a thorough discussion about the comprehensive plan and how it affects the planning and zoning in the borough and township. Included in the discussion were comments on the funding available for communities that combine governments, as well as cooperation between boroughs and townships. The consensus was that it is an ongoing process which will take time to develop fully.

A motion was made by K. Prescott to adjourn, a second was given by Zack Prescott. Meeting was adjourned at 9:10A.M. The next meeting will on March 15, 2016 at Claysville Borough Offices.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katherine Prescott, Secretary