

Meeting Date January 13, 2021

Attendance:

- Bill Pacelli, Chairman: present
- Alec Italiano, Co-Chairman: present
- Joseph Carle: present
- Donald Deguffroy: present
- Laura Smith: absent with cause
- Judy Soles: present
- Anthony DeNunzio: present

City Representatives

Chuck Highlands, City Councilman

Call to Order: 5:30 pm

Review and Approval of last minutes meeting December 9, 2020. No comments on minutes, a motion was made by Alec Italiano and seconded by Judy Soles to accept the meeting minutes as presented.

Old Business:

- a. Nathan and Benjamin were not present to comment on their request to K2 Engineering for direction on reviewing plans on the Elliott testing facility.
- b. The Main Street program is not bringing any money to this initiative. The City or Jeannette Initiative Group will need to raise funds. Laura was to bring information to this meeting regarding the Jeannette Initiative Group, funds they may have available and who is involved at this point. Chuck Highlands, by chance ran into Lara Steinbiser, a former member of the Jeannette Initiative, who said there is no money available. The Initiative was originally funded thru a trust, Diana Reitz was in charge at that time. Bill Pacelli spoke to the powers that be from the Elliott Company and the Elliott Company would be willing to match a sum of money. The Elliott Company would need a formal letter requesting funds and proposed purpose.

c. City is taking control of the amphitheater but there have not been any discussions to date on what group is going to manage the marketing of the amphitheater. This discussion will probably take place in the spring of 2021. There is still a problem with drainage along the J&J Building. Jack Brown states all funds from the grants used to build the amphitheater, have been depleted. So this is an issue.

d. Bill corresponding with the Redevelopment Authority.

e. Concerning the zoning issues that have risen or future issues, the PC would like a legal opinion from the city solicitor.

f. Nathan and Benjamin are continuing to work on the remapping and updating the City website. January 2021 is the target date for completion.

New Business

a. Anthony DeNunzio has accepted the position vacated by Jackie Sobel on the Planning Commission. E mail anthonydenunzio@comcast.net cell #724 309-0034

b. Dates for 2021 meetings, 2nd Wednesday of the month:

Jan 13	April 14	July 14	October 13
Feb 10	May 12	August 11	November 10
March 10	June 9	September 8	December 8

Bill Pacelli suggested changing the meeting time to 6 pm. Joe Carle made a motion to change the meeting start time, Don Deguffory second the motion. New start time is 6pm beginning January 13, 2021. Benjamin will advertise this information.

Misc

Joe Carle would like to make a recommendation to council to submit grant applications for sidewalks and curbing. Areas would include Harrison Ave, Elliott Company to Oakford Park, Cuyler to 7th Street and Lowry Ave. Alec Italiano will contact Ed Antonucci for grant information. Joe Carle made the motion to go to council, Alec Italiano second the motion. Bill Frye is able to complete grant applications, this would be a great resource.

Don Tarosky is searching for an anchor for the Monsour site but currently occupied with his North Huntingdon development.

Work is progressing on Lowry Avenue (Thrift King) DMW is going to occupy a portion of the building, Closet Factory the owner of the property) will occupy the back portion of the building, moving their operation from their Penn Avenue location.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 6:20pm