

WES Business Association  
Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2018

- Attendance: 24 WES members and 3 Guests
- Call to Order – 7:35 A.M. by Bette Porter, President
- Prayer by Pastor Bob Stiem
- December and January Birthday recognition – Lowell Witmer, Paul Wagner, Ken Tyndale, Natalie Kratzer, Devon DiBiase, Glenn Byerly, Tony Acri, John Langel, Joe Bahret, John Vigilante and Paul Carnathan.
- 2018 Board Introductions:
  - Bette Porter – President
  - Mike Geppert – Vice-President
  - Treasurer – Jan Bahret
  - Secretary – Devon DiBiase

\*Special Thank you to Diane Suhr and Deb Fleisher for volunteering to fulfill the Secretary duties in 2017.

- Business/Attendee Introductions
- 2018 Speaker Schedule – February 2018 is the last open slot remaining. Please see Bette if you are interested in filling that date. (has been filled since our meeting)
- Dues – 2018 dues are now due for the year.
  - Early Bird Winner – Betsy Howell
  - Dues are ONLY \$45/year
- Golf Outing 2018 – Family Golf Outing
  - East Hanover Township is the Host
  - Disc Golf instead of traditional golf
  - Food and raffles will be provided
  - Family friendly and families are encouraged to participate
  - Looking at the summer months when school is not in session
  - Golf Committee:
    - Mike Yingling, Paul Cornell, Diane Suhr, John Vigilante, John Langel, Jan Bahret, Bette Porter and Devon DiBiase.
      - If you are interested in helping, please let Bette Porter know.
- Sponsorship Requests –
  - South Hanover Baseball and Softball Association requested a sponsorship in the amount of \$275 as well as East Hanover Baseball and Softball Association requested a sponsorship in the amount of \$350.00
    - Motion to approve – Jan Bahret
    - Second – Mike Yingling
    - All in favor
    - WES will be printed on the back of the sports jerseys as well on the Organization website.
- 2018 Central Dauphin and Lower Dauphin Roy Bridges Lifetime Achievement Award for \$300
  - Motion to approve – Mike Yingling
  - Second – Jan Bahret
  - All in favor
- 2017 Christmas Party Recap
  - Bette reported a great turn out for the event
  - Thank you to Norm for finding and selecting the band
  - Norm offered to book “The Timeless Band” again for 2018 WES Holiday Party
  - Tentative 2018 Party – December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Legion in Linglestown
- Treasurer’s Report – Jan Bahret

- Balance as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 - \$2034.64
- \$1,265 in commitments out (2 township sponsorships & LD and CD awards)
- Ending Balance - \$764.00
- Motion to approve Treasurers Report – Mike Yingling, Second, Norm Zoumas – All in favor
  
- Township Updates –
  - East Hanover – Paul Cornell gave the update
    - Solid Waste Contract due to be received and approved by June 2018
    - Parks and Rec
      - Greenways Master Plan/linking up parks and trails
      - February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Indoor yard sale
      - 2020 Project/Sewer Authority (public sewer system and re-rake with additional hook-ups)
        - Affecting 190+ homes in East Hanover Township
        - 3<sup>rd</sup> letter to those residence have already gone out via mail
        - Meeting will be scheduled for residents to attend
    - New Public Works Manager – Brian Zeigler
    - Currently interviewing companies to aid in the update of the zoning ordinance for the master plan
    - Q: How is overall growth looking in East Hanover?
      - A: 2017 Census ended at 5700/limited growth
    - Mike reported that there are several developers reaching out to East Hanover for possible development within the township.
    - Sheetz construction is underway at the intersection of Bowcreek Road/22. PennDot almost completed their part to move forward
  - South Hanover – No update
  - West Hanover – Don Steinmeier
    - Board of Supervisors restructured – Kyle Miller/Supervisor
    - No new tax increase in 2018 (1991 was the last tax increase)
    - Proposals are being accepted for Waste contract
    - Opening for Part Time Administrative Secretary/Front Desk
    - Issues with Hawk Manner Sewer – 150 homes/residents do not want to hook up to public sewer
    - Next Tuesday’s meeting was incorrectly advertised. Please check the website for correct times and locations
  
- Upcoming Events
  - January 25<sup>th</sup> – Career Night at Remax, Delta Group
  - Travel Centers of America will be hosting an open house for local businesses. Early February; details to follow
- Introduction of January 2018 Speaker –
  - Betsy Howell of Redfern Canines
  - Her granddaughter Mary who was voted “State Sweetheart” for Masonic Order of Job’s Daughters’
    - Shared her story and travels through Job’s Daughters’ experience and working with those dealing with dyslexia
- Next Meeting – Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>

Meeting Adjourned by Bette Porter

Submitted by: Devon DiBiase