

WES HANOVER BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

September 10, 2015

Meeting Minutes

1. The WES Hanover Business Association met on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at the West Hanover Recreation Center for breakfast at 7:15 a.m. The meeting started at 7:30 a.m. with President Bette Porter of Fulton Bank presiding. She called the meeting to order and welcomed 16 members and 1 guest. Our guest was Kristine Knapp of N2 Publishing. Everyone stood for the pledge of Allegiance followed by prayer by Pastor Randy of Susquehanna Valley Evangelical Free Church.
2. Each member took a turn in introducing someone else in the group and talked about what business they represented.
3. September birthdays were Bob Stern, Gary Houck, Betsy Howell, Joe Jajich and Karen Subliskey.
4. Door prize was give out to Bob Stern who guessed the trivia question that was given.
5. Reminder to invite our business neighbors from West, East and South Hanover Township along with Lower Paxton, Derry Township and Hummelstown Borough. They either have to reside or have a business in any of those locations to join. The first visit is free, after that it would be \$45.00 membership for the year. Use our invitation cards that we have to help make it easier.
6. We did a donation of \$250.00 (which was voted and approved at last meeting) to the West Hanover Senior Van. We received a thank you note from Claire Zeiters which Bette read to the group.
7. We are in need of a secretary for 2016. Please consider this position and let Bette know. We are also looking at active members to be on the membership committee to help us grow. Please let Bette know if you are interested.
8. Treasury report by Tom Stewart, West Hanover Tax Collector was given. We have \$6,086.34. Mike Yingling of Delta Remax made a motion to accept followed by Jay Reale of Members 1st seconded it. All approved

9. The minutes from August was approved with Jan Bahret of B.C Interiors making a motion to accept and Randy Hunt of Susquehanna Valley Evangelical Free Church seconding the motion.
10. Reminder that our Christmas Holiday Party is on Friday, December 11th at the Lawnton American Legion at 6:00 p.m.
11. Next month's meeting is Thursday, October 8th with Fulton Bank sponsoring it.
12. Report from East Hanover Township – Mike Yingling; Manager Ron is retiring. The equipment storage building went out for a bid. The township applied for a grant for a study to be done to develop 60 acre area for parks and recreation. Grantville Volunteer fire station debt to be paid off by next year thanks to gaming money and a lot of fund raising events put on by volunteers.
13. Report from South Hanover Township – Penny Pollick:

SOUTH HANOVER TOWNSHIP

1. Milton Hershey Schools Land Development Plan is now before the Board of Supervisors for their approval. This plan includes 32 student homes which will house approximately 16-20 students each along with the house-parents.
2. Bids for the Municipal Complex and Emergency Services Center came in approximately \$600,000 over the projected figures. The Board is considering various alternates to the building in order to bring costs down. To date, this project has not yet been awarded.
3. Shetland and Grandview Drives are slated to be paved mid- September.
4. The Township has applied for a \$500,000 Gaming Grant to assist in the construction of the new Municipal Complex.
5. The Parks and Recreation Board has asked the Township to contribute to their \$1,000,000 park project at the new Municipal Complex. This park will include passive and recreational areas including open spaces, benches, hiking trails, fitness stations, pavilions, an amphitheater, and a large pirate ship jungle gym.

14. Report from West Hanover Township and West Hanover Public Safety – Jay Megonnel; Working on township's fire hydrants. Some businesses and hotels had delinquent fire alarm testing. Light paving in West Hanover being done in areas that will soon be torn up for sewer to go through. Gloria Zimmerman will be having surgery in October so please keep her in your prayers. West Hanover doing light paving because paver is old and the parking lot at parks and rec will be torn up during sewer project soon. Saturday, September 12th West Hanover had their annual car, bike and craft show. Tuesday the 15th the

blood mobile was here. The West Hanover township building is under lock down for air conditioner coil cleaning and the air quality specialist will check air in 2 weeks. Senior lunch is Sept 11th at the rec building. Silver sneaker program is every Thursday at 1:30 for \$5.00 or may be covered by your insurance. Sept 16th is the police forum round table to talk about a police force for W.H. or State Police coverage. Penndot to begin in spring to re-engineer the Rt. 22 and Rt. 39 light intersection. They need all 4 corner property owners to agree on their proposal.

15. Natalie Kratzer from Thrivent Financial is having a college planning workshop for high school students and parents on October 1st (Thursday) at Perking Point off Rt. 39.

16. Saturday, Sept. 19th at Vineyards of Hershey is the annual "New Merlot, Pumpkin Brew unveiling Party with Orange County Choppers guest appearance.

17. Mike Yingling from Remax Delta Group mentioned that Mike and Joanne Geppert bought the corner of Manor and Allentown Blvd. to develop commercial.

18. Norm Zoumas from Rep Marsico's staff mentioned the there was a Penndot meeting for I-83 improvements. The plan is from Union Deposit to Elmerton Ave. for 2016 – 2021. Replace bridges, make it 3 lane north and south. You can go on "[ww.I-83Beltway.com](http://www.I-83Beltway.com)".

19. Speaker/Sponsor – West Hanover Township/Gloria Zimmerman. Was not able to attend.

20. Next meeting again is Thursday, October 8th. Breakfast at 7:15 a.m. and 7:30 the meeting starts.

Minutes taken by Jan Bahret, Vice President (thank you!!!)

Submitted by Bette Porter, President

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