

WES Hanover Business Association

February 11, 2016

Meeting Minutes

The WES Hanover Business Association met on Thursday February 11, 2016 at the West Hanover Recreation Center for breakfast at 7:15 AM. The meeting started at 7:30 AM with President Bette Porter presiding. She called the meeting to order and welcomed 18 members and 2 guests. Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance followed by prayer by Pastor Randy Hunt of Susquehanna Valley Evangelical Free Church. Each person introduced themselves and what business they represent.

Bette mentioned the following February birthdays: Terry Davis, Daryl Weaver, Deb Casey, Bob McRedmond and Jason Roberts. We sang "Happy Birthday" to those present.

As a follow up to last month's "Perfect Attendance" report Bette mentioned that Jan Bahret had only missed one meeting last year. "Congratulations" and "Thank you" to all perfect attenders.

Since Valentine's Day is only a few days away Bette shared a very humorous story about a husband and wife. Happy Valentine's Day to all. This month's Door Prize was presented to Betsy Howell of Redfern Canine.

2016 membership renewals were due. \$45 is the annual fee. This fee is the same since 1985 when the association was first founded. Quite a bargain!! If nothing has changed, you can drop off or give Bette your check. If your email has changed, please let Bette know. Spread the word about our association to others who live or have a business in the WES locations as well as our neighboring townships. Emails will be going out next week to remind our members that haven't paid yet.

We are looking for any active members who would help with the Membership Committee. We would like members who would call or go out to other businesses to invite them to visit our association and also to come up with some good ideas of how we can grow. See Bette if you are interested in helping.

If any members know of a good speaker for our group please let Bette know. We are looking at members for our speakers as well as outside speakers.

We would like to again this year award the "Roy Bridges Life Achievement Award" to a senior of Central Dauphin and Lower Dauphin High Schools in the amount of \$300. Mike Yingling of Delta Remax made the motion, seconded by Bob McRedmond of Handyman Matters. All approved.

We would also like to support the East Hanover Soft Ball Association this year in the amount of \$250. A motion was made by Pastor Randy Hunt of Susquehanna Valley Evangelical Free Church, seconded by Mike Yingling of Delta Remax. All approved.

Reports:

1) Treasurers Report – Tom Stewart, West Hanover Township Tax Collector, reported our current balance is \$4,727.77. Motion was made by Mike Yingling, Remax Delta, to accept, seconded by Lowell Witmer, District Judge. All approved.

- 2) Minutes from January's meeting were emailed to all members for review. Motion made by Pastor Randy Hunt, Susquehanna Valley Evangelical Free Church, to accept as read, seconded by Mike Geppert, M&J Properties. All approved.

- 3) East Hanover Township – Deb Casey-New Public Works building – No update
 - Road Crew did an outstanding jobs during the snow storm and we submitted an application to PEMA for possible reimbursement of costs.
 - The Township's Volunteer Appreciation Banquet will be held on February 17th at the Holiday Inn Grantville. We were very fortunate to receive \$4,250.00 in various donations to help offset the cost.

- 4) South Hanover Township – Penny Pollick-
 - Bid kudos were sent out to the Public Works Department for the phenomenal job they did during the big snow storm. Our guys worked long hard hours to ensure all roads were plowed, salted and safe to travel on.
 - The Township has submitted their numbers/application to the Dauphin County Emergency Management Agency for the record snow fall in the event FEMA issues a Declaration of Disaster. If issued, Townships within Dauphin County will be able to re-coup those monies spent.
 - The new Municipal Complex is well underway. The basement walls in the Administration building have been poured and foundations laid. The clock/training tower has been erected for the Fire Station and all is moving along nicely. Anticipated move in date is October / November of this year.

- 5) West Hanover Township & Public Safety – Gloria Zimmerman- Roadcrew did a great job throughout the recent storm
 - Hired 2 new receptionist, both are residents of the township
 - Ted's is in full swing, however, There is a problem with parking, but we are working with all parties to come to a solution
 - We are also trying to finalize the evacuation center plan here at the Recreation Hall
 - Working with Lower Paxton on Jonestown Rd. Bridge repair agreement
 - Sr. Luncheon is next Thurs., please apply register by Friday.

Our guest speaker for this month was Jim Scoch, President of Fulton Bank Leasing. He did a presentation specifically geared to the value of leasing for municipalities. He provided a handout supporting all of the information he shared. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 10, 2016 with Betsy Howell from Redfern Canines.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Fleisher
Secretary