

# New Britain Borough Community & Business Committee

## Meeting Minutes

### November 13, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:31 PM

Attendance: Jeff, Gilmore (Chairman), Lorraine Moxey, Dick Moxey, Jackie D'Agostino, Steve Gieseler, David Holewinski, Stephen Barth (New Britain Borough Economic Development Consultant, Debbie Byrne, Dave Fermier, Marie Esher Coia and Bill Vandergrif

Excused: Lynn Bush (Bucks Co. Planning Commission, Robyne Kelemen, David Joss and Steve Gilmore

Guest: Bob Binkley

September 11, 2014 Meeting Minutes: Approved

#### Open Items:

- Lynn Bush Comprehensive Plan
  - Lynn was not able to attend the tonight's meeting so she prepared an update about the DVRPC grant that we received. The uses will include a study of land use along Butler Ave., economic assessment of business potential, coordination with Delaware Valley College, development of a land use plan and a design for "Main Street". This committee was designated as the task force to oversee this project to ensure deadlines set by the grant are met. The Planning Commission agreed that the overhaul of the comprehensive plan would be put aside while we work on this project.
- Stephen Barth Economic Development
  - Doylestown Township/NBB DVC Joint Planning Commission: Gilmore and Associates worked on a concept drawing of the Butler Ave. Corridor.
  - Mangar Properties: Stephen and Tom Yatsky met with Mangar to identify ways to improve the functionality of their properties including parking to allow for more efficiency. A short-term solution is to add a covered walkway that connects their buildings.

- Town Center: A new fitness center coming to Town Center
  - Stephen shared that a grant is available for Recreation and Conservation Projects that the Covered Bridge Park or Nature Preserve might benefit from.
- Knoell Property
  - Sold
- Letter to NBB businesses
  - A letter was sent to businesses located in the industrial park to let them know about the improvement to the traffic light at Sand Rd. and Butler Ave. as well as what our committee is working on in the borough. Jeff Gilmore invited any business to contact him personally if they had any questions or concerns. Some businesses expressed being grateful that the borough reaching out to them.
- Newsletter
  - No articles needed at this time.
- New Business
  - Second letter is planned for NBB businesses: A second letter will be sent to all businesses in the borough.
  - Soliciting new CBC members/attendees: Bob Binkley was asked if he would like to be nominated to our committee as a resident.
  - The borough's face book page was updated to include borough announcements such as snow emergencies and power outages.
  
- The meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm. Next Meeting December 11, 2014