

Carbon County Partners for Progress

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Meeting Notes of July 19, 2010

Present: Elissa Thorne, Wayne Nothstein, George Ashman, Jaime Drake, Pat Sasserath, Peter Kern, Doug Makofka, Joe Guardiani, Melanie Zeigler, Barbara Franzosa

President Elissa Thorne called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. .

Treasurer's Report: Discussion on LC checkbook- LC checkbook funds are restricted for that program, but checkbook now being held by Chamber who charges us \$250/month overhead on shared expenses. Because 2 checks were written, our auditor is asking to see the books for that program. Either we cut a check to empty the account(\$4000) or we get the checkbook back. Decision to get the checkbook back. Elissa will pick it up. Treasurer's report was approved on a motion by George Ashman; 2nd: Peter Kern

Acceptance of Minutes: Accepted on motion by Joe Guardiani and 2nd: by Pat Sasserath

Correspondence: Received a Thank You note from Susan Tyler and the \$2000 check from PPL Services Corp thru Paul Canevari.

Update to the Community Brochure: We reviewed the results of the on line survey and our Friday morning time frame at LCCC in Nesquehoning was the most popular day, place, and time. Respondents would like the meeting notice sent out 1 week before.

Leadership Carbon: Steering committee is working diligently on it. Next year's program will meet 1/mo, but the curriculum will change. Will do skill set half of the meeting day.

Health & Human Services: Melanie Zeigler introduced herself as the new officer for PA DOH as Susan Tyler retired. Joe Guardiani reported that a new dentist was recruited for the van; slow during the summer, the most active district during the summer is PV; could travel to the library programs; eligibility is an issue; kids can get cleaning twice a year; may have to mothball it for 1-2 months; holding it's own financially as long as the grants do not dry up; reaching out to Schuylkill County and Tamaqua/McAdoo and Monroe County in the Broadheadsville area.

Chamber of Commerce: Heather McClure is new office administrator(25hr/wk)...working on the new website....Chamber Golf Outing is inAugust.

Business/Education:

Family Collaborative: Jaime Drake attended a meeting at the Bethlehem SD, showing a family center right in the school; Fowler Family Center has a St Luke's satellite right in the school.

Economic & Heritage Development : Carbon County completed 1.4 miles of the trail from downtown JimThorpe to the Lehigh Gorge. In 2012 will be ready to do the pedestrian bridge from the JimThorpe parkinglot across the river into Weissport. Today is the dedication of the Nature Center at Lehigh Gap.

Community Foundation: Elissa reported that the committee needs a leader; question:Can you automatically start granting or wait until you have the foundation built to a certain level.

Legislative Brunch: Wayne Nothstein reported that the Legislative Brunch will be held July 30. Details sent out in a previous email. Cost will be \$10.

Next Meeting-September 17th at LCCC Nesquehoning- Kovatch Solar Farm will be speaker's topic.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30AM

Respectfully Submitted by,

Barbara Franzosa