

DOVER TOWNSHIP
INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 22, 2017

The Dover Township Industrial Commercial Development Committee (I/CDC) meeting for February 22, 2017, was brought to order at 4:00 PM by Chairman Shane Patterson in the Meeting Room of the Dover Township Municipal Building. Committee members present were, Michael Curley, Peggy Bishop, John Popovich, Kathy Herman, Shane Patterson, Darryl Wagner and Kim Hogeman. *Stephen Parthree, Ashley Spangler Jr, Charles Benton, Brian Caden and Ashley Spangler, Sr. were absent.* Township Representatives in attendance were Laurel Oswald, Township Manager; Georgia Sprenkle, Township Zoning Officer; Charles Richards, Township Supervisor and Tiffany Strine, Township Secretary. There was one member of the public present. This meeting has been recorded for minute purposes only.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 25, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Kim Hogeman and seconded by M. Curley to approve the January 25, 2017, I/CDC meeting minutes, as presented. **Passed** with 8 ayes

PUBLIC COMMENT

None to note.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE PENNSYLVANIA DOWNTOWN CENTER

Manager Oswald informed the committee that she has been approved to and has joined the Pennsylvania Downtown Center organization. The committee feels that the Pennsylvania Downtown Center organization will prove to be a great asset to the community. This organization helps communities to fulfill goals such as bringing thriving business to the area through grant assistance, consulting services for positive potential site developments, street scaping, improving local facades, potential improvements to local homes and businesses in need and much more. Six point three (6.3) million dollars is potentially available statewide for community and area improvement with this organization. Manager Oswald added that she has attended the first meeting since joining the organization and that more meetings and trainings are to follow.

STATUS OF FUTURE MEETING WITH BOROUGH

In previous meetings, committee members have addressed the strong need for Dover Township and Dover Borough collaboration to strengthen community growth. It was decided previously to establish a list of attendees, date, time and location to hold a meeting between parties from Dover Township and Dover Borough. At this point in time, updates were provided to the committee and a list of attendees were decided. The date, time and location has yet to be reached between all participants.

OTHER BUSINESS

D. Wagner – D. Wagner voiced ideas with regards to ways to improve the accessibility to Dover’s downtown areas. D. Wagner stated that it may prove beneficial to consider ways in which to include added parking closer to the local business district by means of purchasing properties closely located to the district. By creating easier access, this may create more consumers and business overall.

K. Herman – K. Herman suggested the idea of seeking extra parking in the local school facilities parking lots in the off hours. K. Herman added that she feels that may too add the attractive accessibility factor of main street businesses.

M. Cashman – M. Cashman stated that he feels that the Township and Borough should consider implementing more of a historic common trend amongst the development of the community. He feels that the community should consider exploring and expanding the unique traits of historic Dover and what makes Dover, Dover.

Discussion of the March Industrial/Commercial Development Committee Meeting Scheduling Conflict

Manager Oswalt informed the committee that due to a scheduling conflict, she will be unable to attend the March Industrial/Commercial Development Committee Meeting. The committee decided to cancel the March meeting and the next meeting will be held on April 26th, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM by Chairman Shane Patterson.

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Tiffany Strine, Recording Township Secretary