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Saucon Rail Trail Oversight Commission: June 25, 2018 @ LST

I. OPENING

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The General Business & Developer meeting of Lower Saucon Township Council was called to order on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., at Lower Saucon Township, 3700 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bethlehem, PA with Mrs. Sandra Yerger, presiding.

ROLL CALL: Present: Sandra Yerger, President; Priscilla deLeon, Vice President; Glenn Kern, Donna Louder and Ryan Stauffer, Council Members; Leslie Huhn, Township Manager; Thomas Barndt, Chief of Police; Linc Treadwell, Township Solicitor; Brien Kocher, Township Engineer; Judy Stern Goldstein, Township Planner; Ferris Abu-Ghosh, Jr. Council Member.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF APPLICABLE)

Mrs. Yerger said Council did not meet in Executive Session prior to this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT/CITIZEN AGENDA ITEMS

Mrs. Yerger said if you are on the agenda, you have Council and Staff's undivided attention. If you do choose to speak, we ask that you use one of the microphones and state your name for the record. She asks that you give your fellow public the courtesy of the floor.

II. PRESENTATIONS/HEARINGS

III. DEVELOPER ITEMS

A. BRIAN & COLLEEN KRCELICH - 2360 APPLE STREET - CONDITIONAL USE DECISION & SITE PLAN/LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT (7:03 p.m.)

Mr. Ed Nycz, Engineer was present. Attorney Treadwell said at the April 4th Council meeting, we had a public hearing regarding this conditional use application, and he prepared a conditional use decision with the help of the staff which will grant approval subject to conditions. Mrs. deLeon questioned No. 16 in the findings of fact; Attorney Treadwell said Attorney Pierce, who represented the Barwick's had discussed the property would be more easily access from the Township's property to the east, and questioned if the 50' strip of land had not been recorded. There was an easement in place prior to the proposed conveyance of the 50' strip that had been the subject of a Northampton County court order. He also references prior litigation. Mrs. deLeon stated she cannot find anything to say no in the staff's opinion and that everything seemed to be in order.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval of the Conditional Use Decision as prepared by the Township

Solicitor.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

Attorney Treadwell said there's a draft motion for the approval of the lot line adjustment. Mrs. deLeon said the LVPC letter suggested a different type of lot layout. Ms. Stern Goldstein said they frown upon flag lots as it's desirable to not have them. In this case, there is no other option, and they are disturbing the least amount of resources as possible.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval of the Krcelich Site Plan/Lot Line Adjustment subject to the

conditions on Hanover Engineering Associates draft motion dated May 2, 2018.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

B. <u>LOUIS PAVELCZE</u>, <u>JR. – 1766 & 1776 FRIEDENSVILLE ROAD – LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT</u> (7:11 p.m.)

Mr. Steven Kerbacher, surveyor was present. Mr. Pavelcze owns three lots along Friedensville Road and one was overlooked, so they are trying to correct the issue by adjusting the lot line from the existing lot. Attorney Treadwell explained where the existing lot line and the new lot line will be. Mr. Kerbacher said nothing else is changing or being proposed. Mrs. deLeon asked if the traffic has been addressed? Ms. Stern Goldstein said it was in their review letter, but that was over a year ago, and it is resolved now. Mrs. deLeon said the January 30th letter from PD said they have

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reviewed the plan and nothing that affected PD operations. It's difficult pulling out of there because of the curve and there are signs up that you can park in the back. Since there has been parking in the rear, in the last six to eight months, it has diminished the traffic hazards.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval per the draft motion prepared by Hanover Engineering

Associates dated May 2, 2018.

SECOND BY: Mrs. deLeon

ROLL CALL: 5-0

IV. TOWNSHIP BUSINESS ITEMS

A. ZONING HEARING BOARD VARIANCE – BILL CSASZAR – 2519 BLACK RIVER ROAD – VARIANCE REQUEST FOR SIDE YARD SETBACK FOR CONSTRUCTION OF GARAGE (7:16 p.m.)

Bill Csaszar was present and was requesting a variance for the side yard setback build a two vehicle storage shed; there won't be any electricity in it. He spoke to Mr. Garges before he left, and the original plan was to build a larger pole barn on the opposite side of the property, but Mr. Garges had pointed out a few issues with the riparian buffer, so he decided to scale back his plan and put it at the backend of his driveway. It's 18' x 24', and the height is 16'. His next-door neighbor was present and had no objections. Council took no action.

B. SAUCON VALLEY CONSERVANCY – MICHAEL HELLER HOMESTEAD PROGRESS UPDATE $(7:20\ p.m.)$

David Hausman, President of SV Conservancy, was present. They submitted what was accomplished last year and also what they'd like to do this year. They would like to meet on the site to review the locations of proposed signage which they are in the process of filing for a grant. There are a number of items on their list that require significant expenditures and are looking to the Township to assist them with direction and ideas, such as the repair of the steps and front porch. The painting and replacement of windows in the Widow's House was another project that is outstanding. They would like to accomplish these in 2018.

Mrs. Huhn said regarding the steps and front porch, which continue to deteriorate, the Township did submit a grant to PHMC and expects to hear back from them in June. Whether they are awarded it or not, a bid specification will be developed and brought back to Council. The masonry work is included in this bid. Regarding the windows in the Widow's House, they received cost estimates and will bring the different varieties of windows back to Council.

Mr. Hausman said they were applying to DCNR for signage for the building as well as the nature trail, which had to be part of it for the grant. They discovered it would take 3 to 4 months to get a BOC number, or they could see if the Township would submit the grant, which is an \$8,000 matching grant. Mrs. deLeon asked you didn't think to come to the Township before you submitted the grant? Mrs. deLeon said the P&R usually looks at this as it's still a park, and final approval would be from Council.

Mrs. Yerger said they also were fortunate to have volunteers from PPL at the site, and asked if they considered approaching them for a grant? Mr. Hausman said they have been successful with the PA Arts Council and are expecting a grant from PPL. Mr. Hausman said they would like to start a cleanup process in the barn ruins. They have stored woodpiles from years ago and are dealing with how they are going to use that wood and would like to get that cleared up. They are still looking at the idea of creating a chicken coop.

Mrs. deLeon said the 5-year plan is almost over so we should get an updated one. Mr. Hausman said they are in the process of getting costs together to stabilize and reconstruct the barn ruins. In cleaning up, they want to reconfigure the fence location, and have a detailed plan how that would utilize the existing fence and just move it a little bit. They will leave the gates where they are.

Mrs. deLeon said any signage should go with national register wording and that is should be referred to as the Michael and Margaret Heller Homestead; Mr. Hausman said they will look into that. Mrs. deLeon mentioned there was a tornado that came through a long time ago that took the Stever wood barn down and she'd like to see that acknowledged also. A location still needs to be decided for the National Register plaque out front. Mrs. Huhn said we can look at that when we have our field meeting. Mrs. deLeon asked how the money raised will be used? Mr. Hausman said it's being utilized to accomplish some of these goals discussed.

C. <u>IESI BETHLEHEM LANDFILL – 2335 APPLEBUTTER ROAD – PA DEP AIR QUALITY REPORT DISCUSSION</u> (7:37 p.m.)

Mrs. Louder said she'd like to thank DEP for doing an outstanding job on the inspection and requested that the Township to send a positive note to them. Mrs. deLeon said she asked to have this on the agenda as she's liaison to the Landfill Committee; based on the discussion at the last meeting she didn't expect to hear about eight violations. We need more explanation and asked that Mr. Hallock prepare it for their next monthly meeting. She was very unhappy with the pictures and asked what they were going to do about this situation.

Mr. Don Hallock, General Manger, Bob McReynolds, VP, Nick Rogers, and Dave Pannucci, from IESI were present. Mr. Hallock said regarding the pictures on the north and south slope taken during the DEP inspection, a lot of this material had been pushed over, because of the nor'easters and heavy rain, which has all been cleaned up. They brought in more material and have an onsite contractor along with their team. They've since had good weather and have put their contractors and team on it and have covered and removed all the leachate seeps, trash around the gas wells and redid the slopes, and put 12" to 18" of cover on it as it's getting ready for seed.

Mrs. deLeon said she understands that the DEP regulations for air and waste do not have an exception for weather. Mr. Hallock said it's their job to prove they will do better and will work very diligently to make sure it happens. Mrs. deLeon said we talked at previous meetings that your employees are spread too thinly, and people should be there on a more regular basis. Mr. Stauffer asked how many days before the inspection did those weather events happen? Mr. Hallock said the inspection was April 18th and there was one inspection in February when they had flagging litter, which was on top of the landfill.

Mrs. Louder said this is approximately four months of this and when she learned of these NOV's, from an outside party, she immediately emailed Mrs. Huhn and Chris Taylor to give them a headsup. From February to April, inspections are noted in Mr. Taylor's reports that there were cover problems, there were seepages, and there were gas problems. She walked away from the Landfill Committee and she's very disappointed in the Landfill Committee that they didn't stay on top of it because there's no way that you go on an inspection and you don't see this. The Landfill Committee should have been bringing this to the Township and she should have not heard it from an outside friend. The liaison should have brought it to the Township Manager so it could have been addressed.

Mr. Hallock said with the pictures you see, it's been cleaned up. Mrs. Louder said there never should have been those pictures. She's getting odors in her backyard and had one the other day but didn't bother to call because the last time she called the DEP, they didn't call her back for two days. Mrs. deLeon said it doesn't matter, you are supposed to call; if any resident passes the landfill or smells a landfill odor in their yard, go on our website and see the instructions to call DEP so they have a record of it. Mrs. Huhn said we are preparing a newsletter right now and we can put this information in it as a reminder.

Mrs. deLeon said she's very proud of our Landfill Committee and very glad she serves on it. A lot of the odor complaints when the DEP noticed it was in the parking lot and they were looking over to BRE. She asked Mr. Hallock how big the pipe is that goes from the flare to BRE; Mr. Hallock

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said 12 inches. Mrs. Yerger asked if there was a break in that pipe? Mr. Hallock said the odor in the parking lot was part of BRE doing the purging with the flare and that's been corrected. The odor they talked about during the April 18th inspection was onsite odors that were contained to a very small area.

Mrs. Louder asked if they will be cleaning up the properties along Applebutter Road anytime soon? Mr. Hallock said he just received the last bid for that and it was discussed with DEP. He's going to review the bids and will make a decision in a couple of weeks and then will file for the permits for the demolition.

Mrs. deLeon said Chris Taylor goes out there twice a month and cannot cover 224 acres of landfill when he's there. Maybe you can suggest something else you'd want him to do in addition to what he does now. Mr. Stauffer asked what procedures have changed since April 18th? Mr. Hallock said with the very wet conditions, they were trying to get employees out but didn't prepare for four nor'easters and 4" of rain. They made staffing changes and have a contractor on site to get them caught up. They contracted for more dirt material and have a stockpile on site, so this will never happen again. Mr. Stauffer asked if there was a reason you weren't prepared for rain before? Mr. Hallock said they were prepared.

Mrs. Louder said she wants to thank Chris Taylor as every report he put out threw the flags; she read every one and did not realize the escalation. Mrs. deLeon said in one of the inspection reports, it said the RFD's for the portable odor neutralizer was approved. The RFD for the truck tipper and engine was denied and an operating permit is required. She asked what this meant. Mr. Hallock said they have a tipper on site and they filed to air quality as it has an engine on it for emissions.

Susan Severn, Applebutter Road, said this is in her backyard and it is a little hard to sit outside. The paper said there were air quality issues for 30 days, from the beginning of April; and nobody says anything, and we breathe that. Mrs. Yerger said that's part of what's in the report and they are listed and identified. Ms. Severn said the fast trucks and the dirty mud roads are really bad every morning especially when it rains.

Mrs. deLeon asked when DEP was coming again and when will they test emissions? Mr. Hallock said on April 18th, they had 19 exceedances. They did it 10 days later and only had 4 exceedances. Mrs. deLeon asked if they are using the same protocol DEP established? Mr. Hallock said yes. They have to do another 10-day recheck on May 9th. Mrs. deLeon said does DEP ever come back and do the rechecks? Mr. Hallock said DEP can come back at any time.

Mrs. Louder asked Mr. McReynolds for his comments. Mr. McReynolds said he has faith in these guys and they've done a nice job up until this point. Regarding odors, he's at the landfill once or more a month and never smells things. The last call they had was January 25th; but it doesn't excuse this. They want to be part of the community, and these guys live in the community. Mrs. Louder asked if there will be a compliance manager at the site? Mr. McReynolds said each of them are compliance managers and each are safety managers.

D. WOODLAND HILLS MANAGEMENT PLAN – PLANNING/ENGINEERING SERVICES COST ESTIMATE – REQUEST TO PROCEED (8:04 p.m.)

Mrs. Huhn said we have a revised schedule of costs. Ms. Stern Goldstein said it depicts what would have to be done by their office for the grant Mrs. Gorman applied for. The items taken out since the original submission were things that the Township can do without assistance. If they are going to be done by the Township, they don't have to prepare a bid package; about \$30,000 came out. Mrs. deLeon asked about Public Works being pulled off of road work; Ms. Stern Goldstein said the things they would do would not be done during the same time the roads are being done. Knowing the Township crews can be doing this, you are saving a lot on bidding specs and plans.

Mrs. Huhn said the parking area that PW could do would tie into the regular road paving projects. Ms. Stern Goldstein said they took the ADA parking out of this, but left the ADA loop trail with parking lot connection in. Mrs. Yerger said the one pavilion is close, then people who have mobility issues could join them without any problems and that's what their goal was. There are a lot of wet areas out there, so it would be in the best interest to have buffer plantings. Mrs. Louder asked if the funding comes out of the open space? Mrs. Huhn said yes.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval of the cost estimate and proceed with the next phase of the

Woodland Hills Management Plan, as discussed.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

E. STEEL CITY PARK – 2122 RIVERSIDE DRIVE – REVISED LANDSCAPING PLAN (8:10 p.m.)

Ms. Stern Goldstein said there was an update to the plan presented to Council; they are having the same number and types of plants but are moving some of them. Mrs. Huhn said the low bid was \$3,480 from All Seasons. Ms. Stern Goldstein said she'd suggest going with All Seasons and we can work the little change in with them. Mrs. deLeon asked if this would be done by the summer program. Ms. Stern Goldstein said they could do it the week of May 21st.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval of the revised landscaping plan prepared by Boucher & James

dated April 19, 2018 and authorization to seek phone quotes for installation.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

Mrs. Huhn said she had a request from Roger Rasich as Public Works is cutting in the bases for the field, and in conjunction with that, he's asking if Council would consider allowing the infield at Steel City Park to be a skinned infield mix as opposed to base paths; he said it's more cost effective to drag and maintain the skinned infield, and it's more versatile for the smaller children.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved that we tell PW to revise it to skinned infield mix.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

F. REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS FOR DOG PARK FENCING & TO PAVE ENTRANCE & BENCH AREAS (8:16 p.m.)

Mrs. Huhn said the PV Dog Park was installed in 2009 and is in disrepair and falling apart. We had this approved by Council in the 2018 budget, secured a grant to cover 50% of the cost, and we are asking Council authorize advertisement for replacement of the fencing. Mr. Rasich is requesting paving a portion of the dog park at the entrance and the bench areas. Doing it now when the fence is down will be a better solution.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval of the advertisement for replacement of fencing at the Polk

Valley Dog Park and for the paying of the entrance and bench areas of the Polk Valley Dog

Park by PW.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

G. POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL RIFLES

1. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO UPGRADE (8:18 p.m.)

2. SALE OF EXISTING RIFLES

Chief Barndt said their patrol rifles are about 20-years-old and have a fixed rail on the top, which is Vietnam-era style. They'd like to upgrade them to allow for optics and their firearms instructor has put a proposal together to upgrade the rifles and trade in the current rifles to get new ones. Mrs. Huhn said the proposed cost for the new rifles is \$20,018. With the trade-in of \$5,033, it leaves a balance of \$14,985. In the 2018 budget, we have \$4,800 that would be appropriated toward that and then from unbudgeted 501(c)3 funding from October 2017 donations of \$5,000. With the budget transfer that will be in the next step, \$5,119.40 of the unbudgeted funding to be received in 2018 from donations is \$65.60, which this to zero.

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MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval to authorize the upgrade of the Police Department's patrol

rifles and to authorize the trade-in of the existing patrol rifles.

SECOND BY: Mrs. deLeon

ROLL CALL: 5-0

> RESOLUTION #48-2018 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS (8:23 p.m.) 3.

> > Mrs. Huhn said this transfer is what was just discussed and in addition, Ms. Gorman is addressing a question from the last meeting as to the mileage of roads Mr. Rasich is able to complete this year, which he has revised it to 8.03 miles. If you approve the additional

mileage, we need the funding for the state fund as it's liquid fuels money.

MOTION BY: Mrs. deLeon moved for approval of Resolution #48-2018.

Mrs. Louder **SECOND BY:**

ROLL CALL: 5-0

H. MEADOWS ROAD BRIDGE – REVIEW OF DRAFT COMMENTS (8:25 p.m.)

Mrs. Yerger said this bridge is closed due to it being deemed structurally unsafe. Mrs. Huhn said at the last meeting they discussed drafting comments to submit to Green & Pederson who is handling engineering and construction services; there is a 30-day comment period. We started to prepare a draft letter to present to Council and in the meantime, she had asked Mr. Kocher to review the permit application that was submitted, and he had some questions, so she asked Kal to contact Frank Summa with Green & Pederson. Mr. Summa indicated the letter we received was in process prior to the bridge being closed. They have since been placed on hold what they are working on. Mrs. Huhn instead drafted a letter to the County Executive offering our help and stating our serious concerns. Mrs. deLeon said we should copy this to the GPA, the engineering firm, and PHMC. She said Stephanie Brown is present and is sending a lot of information; Mrs. Huhn said she will share that as well. Mrs. deLeon asked if we had an issue of anyone going over the bridge? Chief Barndt said no. Mrs. Yerger said she did a little background on stone bridges rehabilitated and there is one in Williams Township and one in Solebury Township, both similar to ours and they were rehabilitated.

I. DISCUSSION OF GREATER LEHIGH VALLEY CHAMBER MAIN STREET LEHIGH **VALLEY GRANT APPLICATION** (8:32 p.m.)

Mrs. Huhn said we submitted for this grant last year and were awarded for the kiosk out at the Reading Drive trailhead. It is a community-based grant, so if we can show the effect of what we would apply for as a community joint venture, it is looked more favorably upon. The Town Hall Park sign was destroyed this winter, and we will be needing one at Steel City Park and Woodland Hills Preserve. The cost estimate is approximately \$1,400 each for double-sided signs. The grant is a maximum of \$4,000 with 50% matching. Another option we will be looking at is seeking bids for painting some of our buildings this year and Seidersville Hall will probably be the next one and the signs on the building on both ends need to be replaced as well, but she has no price estimates on that currently. This grant is due by May 31st and it could come back to the May 16th meeting. Mrs. Louder said she agrees with the three signs for the parks. Mrs. Huhn said they will prepare a resolution for the submission for the next meeting.

J. RESOLUTION #49-2018 – AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A REVISED PA SMALL WATER & SEWER GRANT FOR TOWN HALL PARK (8:39 p.m.)

Mrs. Huhn said this resolution is for a revised PA Small Water & Sewer grant for Town Hall Park. DCED requested we revise the grant not to include the in-kind services we were submitting from Public Works. They look more favorably for it if we're not using PW. Our 15% match would be \$8,944. We will ask for our state representative's support on this application.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval of Resolution #49-2018.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

K. TOWN HALL – REQUEST FOR UPGRADES TO LOBBY SECURITY (8:41 p.m.)

We have a cost estimate from Acme Plastics; the Township Safety Committee has discussed the security in the lobby at Town Hall. The windows at which citizens are provided service from our receptionist, zoning and finance clerks are large and don't offer a physical barrier between the public and the employee. The committee suggested enclosing these spaces with bullet proof glass. It would also help with heat loss in the winter. The PD and PW recommended Level 1 acrylic bullet resistant sheet at a cost of \$6,414.19, which can be installed by PW.

Mr. Stauffer asked if there had been any threats? Mrs. Huhn said no, but there was an incident at another municipality several years ago, and there is no barrier between employees and those coming in. Mrs. Yerger said would it add a sense of security for the staff as well. Chief Barndt said not only is it bullet proof, it will stop someone from jumping over the counter. Mrs. Yerger said we value our employees and if this will make them feel better, we need to do it. Chief Barndt said when Interim Police Chief Scruggs was here, he was shocked when he came on the admin side the first day and saw there was no security for the staff.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Yerger moved for approval of the installation of Level 1 bullet resistant glass by Acme

Plastics, Inc. at a cost of \$6,414.19.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Louder

ROLL CALL: 5-0

L. RESOLUTION #50-2018 – RECOGNIZING NATIONAL POLICE WEEK – MAY 13 – 19, 2018 (8:47 p.m.)

Mrs. Huhn said this resolution has been prepared to honor peace officers for their bravery, dedication and heroism and designates May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and May 13 – 19th as Police Week in Lower Saucon Township. There is a letter from the Police Association thanking you for this honor and recognition. Mrs. Louder thanked all the officers for protecting the citizens of LST.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Louder moved for approval of Resolution #50-2018.

SECOND BY: Mr. Stauffer

ROLL CALL: 5-0

M. RESOLUTION #51-2018 – RECOGNIZING THE 25TH ANNUAL RELAY FOR LIFE (8:48

p.m.)

Mrs. Huhn said this is honoring the 25th Relay for Life at Dimmick Park on May 19th and 20th. Mrs. deLeon thanked everyone who makes this possible. Mrs. Louder said she will be attending.

MOTION BY: Mrs. deLeon moved for approval of Resolution #51-2018.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger

ROLL CALL: 5-0

V. <u>MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ITEMS</u>

A. APPROVAL OF APRIL 18, 2018 MINUTES (8;49 p.m.)

MOTION BY: Mrs. Yerger moved for approval of the April 18, 2018 minutes.

SECOND BY: Mrs. Louder

ROLL CALL: 4-1 (Mrs. deLeon – No)

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT/CITIZEN NON-AGENDA ITEMS (8:50 p.m.)

Ms. Stephanie Brown asked what the County said about the bridge in terms of where they are? Mrs. Yerger said nothing except why they closed it because it's structurally unsound, but we don't even have the engineers report yet. Mrs. Yerger said that's the case with a lot of older bridges all across the state and you will see replacement is easier than restoration. Mrs. Yerger said she was told, but could not verify, that budgets for new bridges are invariably greater than budgets for repairing bridges, and cost becomes a factor. Ms. Brown said how much can that bridge be taken apart before you lose it. Mrs. Yerger said we don't know any of those facts and we need to find out what makes it unsafe. Until we get that information, there are no answers for her questions and we are in a holding pattern right now.

VII. COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS (8:56 p.m.)

A. TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Coffee with a Cop and Drug Take Back Day were successful. Chief Barndt said there were a lot of people there. Starbucks hosted the event and we plan to do more on our own and partner with Hellertown. He was asked yesterday to partner with Freemansburg during the summer months. Mrs. deLeon asked Mrs. Huhn to put this on the SVP agenda.

B. COUNCIL/JR. COUNCIL

Sam Striz, Jr. Council Member

The high school final exams are going to be June 6 - 12, 2018.

Mrs. Yerger

The EAC has been working with our engineers for the MS4 education requirements, and they made a storm water management brochure. They will be putting this on the website, handing it out at Community Day and it will go in our newsletter. It was done by Sarah Stanlick and Dru Germanoski.

Mrs. deLeon

- She went to the PSATs conference last week, and met and talked to a lot of people. She is very impressed with everyone here and please pass it on to all the departments. She attended several seminars at PSATs during the week which were all very interesting.
- On May 3rd at Ye Olde Spring Tavern they are having a happy hour. Hellertown-LST restaurant week is in July, and Music in the Park starts on June 10th.
- She'd like the Adelphia Pipeline Gateway project on the next agenda. If we don't get comments in now, we lose the opportunity. Mrs. Huhn asked if you want Attorney Elliot to prepare a draft letter of impact, he could do it at a cost not to exceed \$300. It is due by June 1st.

MOTION BY: Mrs. deLeon moved to authorize Attorney Elliott to prepare a draft document for submittal for the Adelphia Gateway to be reviewed at our next Council meeting and not to exceed \$300.

SECOND BY: Mr. Stauffer

ROLL CALL: 4-1 (Mrs. Louder – No)

Next Tuesday at the Easton Library there is a workshop on pipelines. Attorney Elliott will be a speaker.

Mr. Kern – No report

Mrs. Louder

There's an article in the Valley Voice on Gene Medei who was honored for baseball, he was born and raised in Steel City and has dedicated 50 years of volunteer service and his name was put on the snack stand.

Mr. Stauffer – No report

- **C. SOLICITOR** No report
- **D. PLANNER** No report
- **E. ENGINEER** No report

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: Mrs. Yerger moved for adjournment. The time was 9:05 p.m.

SECOND BY: Mr. Stauffer

ROLL CALL: 5-0

Submitted by:

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Leslie Huhn	Sandra B. Yerger
Township Manager	Council President