

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

November 13, 2017

Planning Commission (PC) – Julia Betz

Since the last Mayor and Town Council meeting, the Planning Commission (PC) met on November 6.

- The Planning Commission welcomed new member, James Zammillo.
- The PC voted to approve the Warfield Development Pattern Book Version 6 dated October 16, 2017.
- Sean Davis from Morris & Ritchie Associates introduced the Final Engineering and Subdivision Plan. The County will be responsible for all of the technical review for this, and they received the plans on October 27th. The PC should be discussing the County's comments at its December meeting.

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 4, at 7 p.m. at the Town House.

Merchants Meeting – Al Grasley

Announcements:

- Carroll Business Academy's last session in 11/8/17 at 8am at conference room at Fairhaven. Our Wellness Partners will be presenting on how to manage stress in your business.
- SK Printing has started printing a Mt. Airy and Sykesville coupon book. Email Sudha if you are interested in putting an ad in the book. skprinting@verizon.net
- Wind River has co-op'ed their space with Be Essentials an essential oil, body product, and candle local business. There will be a Grand Opening on Nov.10 from 5-9pm.
- First Friday 11.3.17 is a canned food drive. Customers bringing canned food will receive coupons.
- First Friday 12/1/17 is 12 Hours of Christmas. Please deliver your basket to the tent in the pocket park by 10am and do not forget to pick up your basket from the tent at 10pm. It is your responsibility to supply tickets for customers. Schedule of coverage was posted to Facebook. I will try to find it and send out when we get closer to the date.
- Santa will be visiting the Firehouse Creamery on 11.26 from 1-4pm and 12.16 from 1-4pm

First Fridays 2018

- Planning meetings have begun
- If you are interested in helping email Mary V (Revive) creativejucie@live.com
- Block Parties will be split from First Fridays in 2018

Fourth of July Parade/ Coolest Mile

- Anne Kennedy is leading the planning for merchant involvement in this event.
- Proposed date change: July 1, 2018
- Plans are to request the street be closed for race and parade but not all day

Shiver Shuffle 2018

- This is an event run by the Eldersburg Rogue Runners with the assistance of Tri Sport Junction.
- Feb. 18, 2018 1pm-3pm
- Since Ice Fest will not be taking place in 2018, this event is interested selling ice sculptures to display along the route. Stay tuned for details.

Small Business Saturday 11.25.17

- this is a busy day in town
- American Express offers a merchant package on their website full of promotional materials for your store.

NEXT MEETING is changed to Nov 17, 2017 at 9am in the conference room above Patapsco Distillery.

Parks and Recreation (SPARC) – Anna Carter

SPARC Agenda – October 2017 meeting

- Painting snack shack updates –
Looking into alternative painters – Carroll County Art Center is too expensive
- Painting Weigh station – on the FY18 budget for spring
- Seedlings – SPARC visitor, Pastor Doug from St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Discussed planting seedlings in the community – will meet with Mark for opportunities
- Partnering with Main Street
Meet with Julie Della Maria to discuss opportunities to partner with Main Street in advertising and events
- Finalize 2018 event and activity schedule
- Choose 2018 advertising publications
- Sykesville Cinema
 - o Movie selection
 - o Predictable dates/times – non-competing
 - o Atmosphere
 - o Park readiness
 - o Blair Witch follow up – not many showed – not sure if movie choice or because all local high schools had Homecoming
 - o Snack shack wish list for 2018 - hot dog roller, etc.
- Prioritize purchases
 - o SPARC Canopy
 - Canopy itself

- Folding table
 - Chairs
 - Displays
 - Crafts
- o Mascot
- o Giving Tree
- o Lighted movie poster display
- o Magnets
- o Flyers/brochures
- o Wooden park signs
- o Banners
- o Pre-show games
- Create detailed volunteer opportunities doc which will drive sign-up sheet
- Collaboration / joint ventures with local park systems and Town Committees
- Park improvements
 - o Jones Park - Completed
 - Mommy and Me swing
 - New park sign
 - o Linear Trail - Completed
 - Trail completion
 - Accessible grade from Kalorama
 - Split rail fencing
 - o Cooper Park - Complete
 - ADA ramp and pad
 - ADA parking and access

Santa Comes to Town volunteers - Mrs. Claus, Grinch, Frosty, elves – December 2nd.

Santa confirmed; Joey D Cares will also be performing; Fire truck confirmed

Main Street Association – Leo Keenan

1. Minutes from the Design Committee meeting on October 17:

1. Bike Rack: Inauguration was 10/18. Attendees were: Julie Della Maria, Dana Alonzi, Stacy Link, Rich Austin, Ian Shaw, Julia Betz, Chris True, Al Grasley, David Deutsch (interim town manager), Doug King (artist) and his wife. I gave a short speech as did Ian and we all spent about an hour at Baldwin's afterwards enjoying a round on Stewart.

2. Interactive Historical Guide to Main Street (new project, formerly known as the history window): this will require grant money as it will be a hefty project with budget requirements of ~30K (DSC will have to match a 15K grant if we get it). The AV equipment required for this project is why the budget is so high. Stacy reported that after doing her research and phoning in to some people at the MHT she sees no reason the HDC or the MHT would have a problem with it so we plan to move forward. DSC board will have to approve the match before Julie applies for the grant which won't be until after we know our financial fate (after craft beer fest).

3. Tiny Trains Mural & Story Project: meeting with Jack White from the gatehouse museum at our next committee meeting as we are interested in working with him for the story component of this. He is also very interested in working with us. Rich spoke with Vivian Davis who is Creative Director, Tutoring Art President, Sykesville Painting Club. Vivian is very interested in the tiny trains project and is going to help in the process of finding local artists who may be interested in creating one of the murals. She was invited to the design committee meeting November.

4. Art Scholarship Project: need a place to store the art until we have a plan for this (which we currently have no plan – it will be on the agenda for our next meeting), but in the short term Rich reports we need a place to house the art.

2. Minutes from the Green Committee meeting:

Oct 28th- Garden Clean up

11am and the girl scouts will be there to help

Town Owner Pots

Will discuss how to make planters self water next year

Kathleen will submit her receipt for the plants.

Merry Main St.

December 9th from 12-4p

Paper Craft- Paper plate tree, rock painting and bags

Food Craft- Cupcakes- Whitney will contact Once Upon a Crum (\$.55 a cupcake)

Nature Craft-Girl scouts will make stick crafts for the kids to use yarn

We will make a budget next meeting and decide who is purchasing materials

Leo is willing to donate stamps again for letters to Santa

Dates for 2018

Will do this Dec 2017-We need a discussion for the dates for 2018's gardening year and get them to Rich for a new flier

Mini Community Garden behind School House

Plan for 2018- The insurance company will be donating materials and labor to

Pat

Budget.

Kathleen will write up materials needed for the materials for the garden

With the extra money we discussed:

Arbor? Trellis made by the blacksmith?

3. Minutes from the Promotions Committee meeting on October 23.**Craft Beer Festival**

Craft beer festival still needs volunteers to sell tickets, beer, and pour beer.

35 breweries are coming.

17 food trucks.

February Fundraiser Night

Creation of a sub-committee that will meet next week.

Abby Dion will lead the design of the event invitation.

Julie Della-Maria will work with Baldwin for logistics and menu.

2018 Calendar

Discussion about date, time and location to finalize the proposal for the formal request for 2018 festivals at MTC meeting in Nov.

4. Miscellaneous.

The Town was awarded another \$50,000 through the Façade Improvement Program, per the grant application that Julie wrote in June.