

**HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES  
December 2, 2009**

The meeting of the House Committee was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Chairman Patrick Maloney. Present in addition to Mr. Maloney were committee members Terry Mest, Lori Carnes, and ex-officio member Frank Deery.

Also present were Marianne Deery, Mayor; Council member Keith Endy, Patricia Spaide, Borough Manager; and a concerned citizen.

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2009 meeting of the committee was made by Mr. Maloney, seconded by Mrs. Carnes, and approved.

**Unfinished Business**

**Joint Planning Committee** – Mrs. Spaide reported that Pike, Colebrookdale and the Borough must approve resolutions to establish a Joint Planning Commission, and name individuals to serve on the commission. The resolution designates that each governing body will appoint three individuals to serve on the Commission. The Commission must be formed prior to adoption by the governing bodies of the Joint Zoning Ordinance. Following adoption of the ordinance, the Commission's function will be to meet if any of the three governing bodies proposes an amendment to the Joint Zoning Ordinance.

Mrs. Spaide was directed to contact Planning Commission members Chuck Neubauer and Charles Fryer to ask them to serve on the Joint Planning Commission.

The resolution will be approved at the January 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of Borough Council.

**Elm Street Program** – Mrs. Spaide advised the members that the DCED has notified the borough that due to reduced appropriations for the New Communities Program the DCED is unable to approve any new Elm Street Designations and/or Planning Grant requests. The borough can reapply in the future.

**Joint Planning Committee Railroad Yard Property** – A meeting will be scheduled in January.

**2010 Schedule of Meetings** - The members recommended the following changes to the 2010 Schedule of Meetings. The final Council Meeting of 2010 will be scheduled on December 29th, and the January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Public Works, Utility and Communications Committee will be scheduled on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Council will authorize the Borough Manager to advertise the Schedule of Meetings at the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of Council.

**New Business**

**Resolution Upgrade Street Light 620 East Philadelphia Avenue** – Mrs. Spaide advised the members that Met Ed replaced a failed 250 watt mercury vapor street light with a 150 watt sodium vapor street light at 620 E. Philadelphia Avenue. This change

requires the adoption of a resolution. This will be listed on the agenda of the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of Council.

**Appointments, Boards Commissions, Offices 2010** – The members reviewed a list of individuals whose terms on Boards, Commissions and Offices will expire the first Monday of January 2010. The administrative staff has contacted the individuals to determine if they are interested in accepting reappointment. The staff is waiting for several individuals to reply. The appointments occur at the January meeting of Council.

### **Other Comments**

Mrs. Spaide noted that Main Street Manager, Heather Oxenford, contacted her today concerning the need for a resolution to apply for DCED funding for the Main Street Program for 2010. Mrs. Spaide has asked Ms. Oxenford to confirm the amount of funding being requested and whether the resolution must include language about a donation from the borough in 2010.

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. was made by Mr. Maloney and seconded by Mr. Mest. The next meeting of the House Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, December 30, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Spaide  
Borough Secretary