

**HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
January 27, 2010**

The meeting of the House Committee was called to order at 8:20 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 members Keith Endy and Barry Christman, Patricia Spaide, Borough Manager; and a concerned citizen.

A motion to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2009 meeting of the committee was made by Mr. Maloney, seconded by Mr. Mest, and approved.

Unfinished Business

Joint Planning Committee – Mrs. Spaide reported that the Joint Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, January 28th, 2010 at the Colebrookdale Township Municipal Building, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Spaide also noted that the URDC consultant has advised her that the Regional Planning Committee will also meet on the 28th to review changes to the Draft Joint Zoning Ordinance proposed by Pike Township.

Joint Planning Committee Railroad Yard Property – The BBB will make a presentation to Borough Council at the February 1st meeting concerning matters relating to the former railroad yard property.

Planning Commission Appointment – Mr. Deery inquired if any member of the committee or council has decided to volunteer to fill former Councilman Spaide's seat on the Planning Commission. Hearing no interested members, Mr. Deery announced that he would accept appointment to the Planning Commission. This matter will be on the agenda of the February 1st meeting of Council.

New Business

Curves-Notification of Lease Termination – The committee members reviewed a letter from Susan Xander concerning termination of her lease with the borough for parking spaces, effective January 31, 2010. It was noted that Ms. Xander is the owner of Curves and has decided to close the business.

Duffy Moon LLC – Letter of Interest Parking Lot Lease – The committee members then reviewed a letter from Duffy Moon LLC owner of 128 East Philadelphia Avenue expressing an interest in leasing from the borough the parking spaces vacated by Ms. Xander. A discussion ensued, and the committee directed the Borough Manager to contact the owner of 130 East Philadelphia Avenue concerning any interest he may have in leasing parking spaces. In addition, the Borough Manager will contact Ms. Xander to confirm that she is not attempting to sell the business to remain in the current location. Further discussion will be held on this matter at the February 1st meeting of Council.

Other Comments

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m. was made by Mr. Maloney and seconded by Mrs. Carnes. The next meeting of the House Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, February 24, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Spaide
Borough Secretary