

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
February 19, 2018

The Economic and Community Development Committee (ECDC) met for its scheduled meeting on February 19, 2018, in the Board Room in the Upper Merion Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

The following members of the ECDC were present: Jenn Lyons, Chairperson; Scott Sibley, Vice Chairperson; Joe Brophy, Secretary; Rhonda Cohen; and Kyle Brown, Associate Township Planner.

MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the minutes from 1/15/2018 by Mr. Sibley. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lyons, and all were in favor.

MOORE-IRWIN HOUSE:

Mr. Brophy reported that the environmental study for the Moore-Irwin property is complete. He also explained that the subcommittee is awaiting Board of Supervisors approval for funds to conduct a structural remediation study.

COMMUNITY GARDEN:

Mr. Brophy reported that the Community Garden requires approximately \$17,000.00 to open in May. He explained that PVC piping and a cistern for rainwater collection, as well as deer-proof fencing are still needed. The subcommittee is applying for the Board of Community Assistance Grant, and will reach out to local Senators and State Representatives for additional funding.

RIVERFRONT PARK:

Mr. Brophy is attending a meeting to discuss the possibility of a park along the riverfront with the Township Manager and the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors on February 21st. He also mentioned that after investigation, one of the parcels along the river is not owned by PECO as previously reported.

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP FONDATION:

Ms. Lyons will meet with social workers from Upper Merion School District to finalize the list of recipients of subsidized Community Center memberships, as well as to discuss how the memberships will be tracked.

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING:

Ms. Lyons will meet with Tim Dooner and members of the Valley Forge Presbyterian Church Board in March.

HEUSER PARK TRAIL:

Mr. Sibley will reach out to the Parks and Recreation Department about the possibility of creating a trail at Heuser Park while the Emerald Ash Borer project is underway.

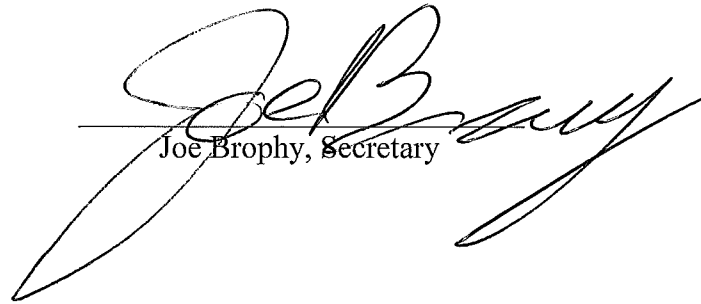
ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

The ECDC discussed coordinating with the Township and the School District to create better quality playing fields in Upper Merion Township.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.

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Minutes Approved:
Minutes Entered



Joe Brophy, Secretary