

COMMUNITY & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 11, 2015 - 6:00 p.m.

Present: Chairperson Noni West, Don Berk, Joe Flood, and Wendy Margolis. Also present were Council President Det Ansinn, Mayor Ron Strouse, and Borough Manager John Davis.

The **Minutes** of the April 2015 meeting were approved.

Mark Douple and Brian Boger were in attendance to discuss the **Kids' Triathlon**. The triathlon was not held in 2015 and the Committee was interested in what could be done to resurrect it. Mark explained that the only major obstacle was finding a small group of core volunteers to run the event, with all of the other infrastructure issues already resolved. The Committee decided that John would first contact the YMCA to see if they were interested in filling the role. If not, a call would be placed through D-Mail and social media to attract these volunteers.

The Committee next discussed a possible **resolution supporting the legalization of medicinal cannabis in Pennsylvania**. Noni presented a revised version of the PSAB template that the Committee voted to recommend to Council with some further revisions. (Berk-Margolis) Joe Flood voted no because he did not feel that this was an issue for Council to be involved in, but was rather a state and federal issue.

It was next decided that the Committee would not have a **fall Farmers' Market booth**.

The Mayor will be giving **proclamations in August** from Town the Towns Teal and Mental Health and Addiction Recovery Month.

Joe Flood presented a proposal for a **new telecommunications advisory board**, with a goal of assisting the Borough in activating its cable channel and televising its public meetings. After considerable debate, John was asked to gather further information on the duties and activities of the Doylestown Township Telecommunications Advisory Board, as well as other information and report back to the Committee in September.

Under **New Business**, Wendy raised the issue of adequate bathroom facilities and trash for public events. John indicated that the Borough was aware of these issues at events and that they would be corrected. John indicated that Staff, the Police, and the event organizers themselves were constantly analyzing and making adjustments.

Adjourned: 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Davis
Borough Manager

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