COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKING GROUP

Friday, 9/3/2021 – 8am, Borough Hall

Attendance: Council President Jack O'Brien, Mayor Ron Strouse, and Borough Manager John Davis. Ben Bell, Joe Frederick and Noni West attended remotely.

The Minutes from the August 20, 2021 meeting could not be approved without a quorum.

Street Closures and Outdoor Dining Update: John reviewed the plan to remove outdoor dining as of Labor Day. Paganini's and others are interested in continuing their outdoor dining, although there is not a current ordinance allowing it. The alley between their location and Penn Taproom through to Mary Street was discussed as a possible location for outdoor dining. Pedestrian zones are continuing into October, with enthusiasm from the restaurants.

Fall Pedestrian Events: Mayor Strouse met with Paul from Visit Bucks County recently regarding promotion from them regarding the upcoming Arts Festival and Bike Race as well as other upcoming events. The group discussed the possibility of having a representative to serve on the Visit Bucks County board.

Latest Update on COVID 19 Precautions: John reviewed the changes in precautions. The County Theater is now requiring masks. Central Bucks School District has been in discussion on masking. In Borough Hall, a mask is required by anyone not vaccinated. Bucks County offices, masks are required. Joe Frederick would like to follow the County's lead by requiring masks in Borough Hall. Noni would prefer following State guidelines without going beyond that. This situation will be monitored and discussion will continue as the situation changes. The topic will be given to the Public Safety Committee to discuss further.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00am.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Kramer Minutes Secretary