

COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKING GROUP

Friday, 6/4/2021 – 8am, via Zoom

Attendance: Council President Jack O'Brien, Joe Frederick, Larry Browne, Noni West, Ben Bell, and Joe Flood, as well as Mayor Ron Strouse, and Borough Manager John Davis.

The **Minutes** from the May 21, 2021 meeting were approved. (West-Flood)

Status of Pick-up Parking Spots: All of the signs have been removed. Quinoa, Heirloom, Domani Star, Paganini's, and Villa Capri are still occupying parking spaces for outdoor dining, which will continue through the end of the year.

Street Closures/Outdoor Dining: John reviewed the schedule for the next few weeks. Changes to the entertainment scheduled for outdoors will be in place regarding prior approvals and volume. Finney's is no longer interested in using a food truck at this time. Scott Fleischer will be monitoring the events. Noni questioned when and if ordinances and plans should be discussed for the future; John noted that task has been given to Phil Ehlinger and Karyn Hyland to begin that process, and will probably build on the current sidewalk dining ordinances. Ben suggested the group put their suggestions and ideas into writing as well as consider what the community has done to continue their businesses through the pandemic. John will invite Karyn and Phil to a future meeting to start a planning session.

Update on Merchant Group Meeting: Mayor Strouse explained the merchant group works as a marketing group, working in ways to work together to market the retailing in town, and not an overlap of Discover Doylestown.

Discussion of Nonprofits: Mayor Strouse reviewed the opening date of The County Theater with the first week as more or less an open house, with June 14 as the first date of showing films three days a week. They are planning to have a full schedule in July, with several construction issues still being worked out.

The Doylestown Historical Society is planning to attend next week's Economic Development meeting to discuss their current situation and their plans going forward.

The Mercer Museum is doing a lot of marketing for their Spring/Summer exhibits.

Parking Fees & Fines: Jack suggested a discussion on where parking revenues are now, compared to previous years. Noni noted it is difficult to compare the numbers due to the pandemic. Larry has noticed some parking meters appear to need some maintenance on the stickers on them, and found another town is using QR codes on their meters, which would make using the app even easier.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40am.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Kramer
Minutes Secretary