BOROUGH OF DOYLESTOWN Economic Development Advisory Board

Thursday, 10/13/2022 – 5:00 pm Borough Hall, 10 Doyle Street, Doylestown, PA 18901

Attendance: Otto Mills, Lois Opdyke, Pat Keppler, Heather Mahaley, Rick Lyons, Kris Boger, Brian Guerriero, Rick Brown, Marjan Sharzad, Jason Wood, Mayor Noni West, and Borough Manager John Davis.

Approval of Minutes. The September meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Mayor's Stewardship Award. Richard and Lisa Chase, 396 Linden Avenue, were selected as recipients of the 2022 Mayor's Stewardship Award. John explained the notification and award process. In the spirit of stewardship, Brian's work on updating the Burpee Park pavilion with landscaping and paint was appreciated by all.

2022-2023 Board Goals/Comprehensive Plan Update. The Board will continue to review their goals. Heather updated the group on the process of the comprehensive plan and the possible next steps regarding the survey results. The results of the survey will help to direct the goals of this Board. It was encouraged for everyone to attend the next Comprehensive Plan meeting in November.

Discover Doylestown Report. Kris discussed the upcoming Halloween costume contest as well as the Tree Lighting and a possible expansion of the parade leading to the tree location.

Doylestown Cultural District Report. Marjan provided information on this year's visitors; both the Fonthill Museum and the Mercer Museum are seeing increased numbers from last year. Several recent events have included both locations and all have been very well attended. There is one more outdoor movie planned, as well as the upcoming Diwali celebration. Field trips are being scheduled again through schools, and weddings and other events are increased as well.

Vacancy Report. The Board discussed upcoming changes to the Doylestown Shopping Center, as well as several other properties in town.

DART Report. There has not been a strong recovery since the COVID shut down.

Old/New Business. None.

Meeting adjourned 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Kramer
Minutes Secretary