

BOROUGH OF DOYLESTOWN
Economic Development Advisory Board

Tuesday, 04/11/2023 – 5:00 pm
Borough Hall, 10 Doyle Street, Doylestown, PA 18901

Attendance: Otto Mills, Heather Mahaley, Rick Brown, Brian Guerriero, Donna Rhoades, Lois Opdyke, Marjan Shirzad, Matt Reece, and Borough Manager John Davis.

Approval of Minutes. The March 2023 meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

Comprehensive Plan Update. Heather shared an update on the Comprehensive Plan progress. The current meetings include workshop sessions to delve deeper into specific topics and have been very well-attended. There are still several more monthly break-out session meetings planned.

Discover Doylestown Report. No report.

Doylestown Cultural District Report. Marjan provided updated visitor information, which showed a substantial increase for both the Michener and Fonthill Museums. Several community programs are ongoing.

Doylestown Historical Society Report. Donna shared new topics and ideas in the planning stages. There is a continuing need for volunteers.

Mayor's Stewardship Award. John will send a D-Mail to request nominations.

Vacancy Report. John noted there aren't a lot of new projects going on. Work at the new Target location has not started yet, but the permits are submitted. The shopping centers in the Borough seem to have been rebounding from several years ago. Brian asked about the status of the former liquor store on West Court Street; John shared there has been approval for a brewery, although there has been no recent movement from the business on that.

DART Report. The Southern DART route is where their focus seems to be currently, while John's focus remains on growing DART use in the Borough.

Mayor's Report. Mayor West was not in attendance.

Old/New Business. WAWA in Buckingham Township is scheduled to open soon and the new traffic patterns at the North end of town will hopefully improve traffic in that area.

Marjan asked if parking garages are available for use on the weekends; John explained they are available but are not free and are owned and managed by the County.

Meeting adjourned 5:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Kramer
Minutes Secretary