



Peekskill Business Improvement District Minutes
Tuesday, August 8, 2017
Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce
One South Division Street, Peekskill, NY

Call meeting to order

Meeting called to order by Executive Director Bill Powers at 6:05pm

Present: Giovanni Stiefelmann, Frank Pugliese, Jeorjia Shea, Anne Scaglione, Jim Pinto, Kathie Talbot and Executive Director Bill Powers. Guest: City Manager Richard Leins. Absent: Sean Kearney, John Sharp Brendon Fitzgerald, Louie Lanza, Roya Zarrehparvar.

July Minutes: Motion by Pugliese/Shea to accept previous minutes as presented –carried.

Garbage Task Force:

Mr. Leins reported on the task force progress. Dumpsters being considered for tenants/buildings that do not have storage space or alleys for garbage cans; they may have a key or fob entry system for proper access. The City is considering pushing back the Saturday pick up time until later in the day to accommodate business owners, mostly restaurants.

Mr. Powers reported that the KEON Streetsweeping program was approved by the City and Teamster's Union, and the program was started on 8/5. The program will be monitored as to best days, times, locations to maximize usefulness but for now are working Thurs-Sat-Mon.

Mr. Stiefelmann made a short presentation on various dumpster styles, sizes and pricing.

Dunkin' Donuts

Mr. Pugliese questioned the placement of Dunkin Donuts in the Crossroads Shopping, with respect to it being a franchise, as well as the company colors in the historic district, and the viability given three coffee and one tea house already in existence. Mr. Leins suggested talking to Jean Friedman in Planning to have the concerns answered. Mr. Powers will do so also.

Website

Mr. Stiefelmann reported approximately 800 new users to the website, but the problem is that they do not spend a lot of time browsing the site. He suggested that we switch servers to save

money and get better access. he is trying to get our domain back from "Go Daddy" server and from the current provider.

Public Member Comment

Mary Foster distributed a news article regarding Yonkers' purchase of an all terrain "vacuum car" that could be used on the sidewalks to assist in cleaning.

Ms. Foster also broached the 15 min free time limit on parking meters that was being considered by the City Council; she asked if the meters had the ability to allow for only 15 minutes of free parking for someone who only needed to do a quick errand. The current meters do not have a button to allow for 15 free minutes. Lengthy discussion on parking meters.

Motion for adjournment-carried 6:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Pugliese
Secretary