

DUNCANVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD VITALITY COMMISSION  
 REGULAR MEETING  
 COUNCIL BRIEFING ROOM, CITY HALL  
 203 E. WHEATLAND RD  
 JULY 27, 2016 @ 7:00 P.M.

A meeting of the Duncanville Neighborhood Vitality Commission was held on Wednesday, June 29, 2016, at 7:00 pm with a quorum present to wit:

Brenda O'Brien	Commissioner	Present
Jeff Burton	Commissioner	Present
Ralo Thompson	Commissioner	Present
Walter Rhim	Commissioner	Excused
Dr. Michael Miner	Commissioner	Excused

Visitors: First United Methodist Church

Betty Dunn	FUMC
Sue Clark	FUMC
Bob Talbot	FUMC

The meeting convened in the Council Briefing Room and called to order at 7:02 PM

Regarding agenda item 1, a motion was made to approve the minutes from the June 29, 2016 regular meeting, passing 3 for – 0 against.

Regarding agenda item 2, No reports were available. Commissioner, Jeff Burton, was unable to attend any previous meetings with Comprehensive Planning Committee. Walter Rhim was not in attendance.

Regarding agenda item 3, Ralo Thompson stated it would be beneficial to attend more community meetings. Be able to make contact with the citizens who do not want to or cannot use technology such as Facebook, Twitter, Blogs and the like.

Regarding agenda item 4, DIY Garland to remain on the agenda until a target has been obtained. Discussion regarding block grants, Ralo Thompson will talk to his wife to see if there is anything DNVC can benefit from.

Regarding agenda item 5, FUMC mentioned they are looking into a 501-c3 for tax purposes to obtain grants or other assistance so that they are not restricted as being listed as a Church. Betty Dunn, FUMC, contacted Hardy Board and still has received no response. FUMC contacted Sparky Electrical and they are willing to give reduced rates when needed for PIP days. FUMC volunteers want to look at the properties before selecting one or more, possibly all four (4) of them. The property, 207 Tanglewood, will be eliminated since no contact can be made with them. Brenda O'Brien suggested that notifications go out for the Falling Leaves Dr community to assess if the neighbors who share the easement if they would be interested in doing the work as a collaborated effort with the DNVC and the FUMC. Goal is to accrue signatures or create a sign up list as a commitment to DNVC and the FUMC to see if the one house on the agenda (422 Falling Leaves Dr) will be the only one or if there was enough interest from notifications they could collaborate with the neighbors sharing the easement and could complete the whole area of overgrowth. Jeff Burton mentioned trying to find out what percent of Duncavillians shop Home Depot or Lowes for obtaining grant money or donations for PIP days. Ralo Thompson said he would talk to Harbour Freight about donations. Brenda O'Brien committed to asking five (5) local businesses for resources, donations in any way of shirts, money, product, supplies or other resources to benefit PIP days. Nicole McKeon will speak with Jessica Smith with seeing if Republic Services will be willing to donate a 40-yd roll off if needed at a property.

Regarding agenda item 6, Ralo Thompson and Jeff Burton have been unable to attend extra community meetings. Nothing to report at this time.

Regarding agenda item 7, Dr Miner was not in attendance, nothing to report.

Regarding agenda item 8, No public comments.

A motion and second were made to adjourn the meeting, passing 3 for – 0 against, at 8:10 PM



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Charles Smith, Secretary



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Brenda O'Brien, President