

Minutes - Community Planning - April 17, 2019
Buzz Ware Village Center

Presented and Approved at May Meeting of Community Planning, May 15, 2019

Attendance: Jennifer Borders, Rick Ferrell, Grace Ressler, Mark Wood.
Guests: Carol Di Giovanni, Warren Rosenkranz.

Jennifer Borders convened the meeting at 6:32pm.

Mark Wood was nominated as chair and was elected unanimously.

The Duties of the Chair - this description was referenced - it was noted that this document is on file and a matter of record in Town Documents.

Freedom of Information Act - on file in Town Office.

Conflict of Interest - on file in Town Office

Updates:

Memorial Garden - no update.

Community Garden -no update.

Transformation Ad Hoc Committee:

Refreshed Arden Website:

A Draft Survey regarding the Refreshed Arden Website proposal was submitted. It was agreed that the draft would be revised and then submitted to the community via mail chimp message & survey monkey. There will also be a link on the Arden Website. It will also be referenced in the *The Page*.

Proposed Delaware Humanities Opportunity Grant - Proposal will be Revised and re-presented. History of Arden, Story points/Narrative will be further described for proposal purposes. Ideas will be solicited from the community. The purpose is to produce video material of Arden's history, cultural events and customs including notable historical figures, and current residents. The Visual, filmed material could be used on the Arden website or could be part of the refreshed website or both. IN Concept the design of the filmed material would provide the framework for a desired documentary on Arden. The Ad Hoc committee recommends that if the Opportunity Grant is awarded that we continue on to apply for a 2nd phase of (in essence) another grant to continue the video documentation.

Communication - Community Outreach - Governance Informational Community Meetings about how various aspects of Arden's government function.

Two meetings have been held. The first was an Informational Meeting regarding the functioning & application of the Town Assembly system of government. The

Second was an opportunity to “Meet the Candidates” of our Committee Elections. The analysis of that gathering is attached.

Continued Community Out-reach was discussed. It was motioned and approved that the proposed May 13th informational meeting on the Board of Assessors be authorized by CPC. (There were 3 yes votes and one abstention). This will be coordinated with The Board members. Community residents will be invited.

Vacant Dwelling Funds: The description of The Funds use was discussed. The Storm Water Run-Off project - A community forum will be held to discuss funding an agency to write the grant proposal which would be submitted to D.N.R.E.C.

Respectfully Submitted by Grace Ressler, Secretary
Community Planning Committee