

Saucon Valley Partnership Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 11, 2016
Saucon Valley School District

- A. Call to Order** – Tom Rieger – 7:00 p.m.
- B. Roll Call** – Ed Inghrim, Pricilla deLeon, Donna Louder, Leslie Huhn, Cathy Hartranft, Tom Rieger
Absent: Mark Sivak, Richard Fluck, John Bate, Mark Hartney
Guests: Ron Horiszny
- C. Council of Governments**
1. Minutes – Upon motion by Mr. Inghrim, second by Mrs. deLeon, the minutes of March 9, 2016 were approved.
 2. Treasurer’s Report – Mrs. Huhn presented the April 30, 2016 Treasurer’s Report. The fund balance is \$20,963.80.
 3. Approval of bills – Mrs. Huhn indicated two invoices were paid in March 2016; The Valley Voice for advertising cost of the annual meeting notice and PA COG dues.
- D. Business Items – None**
- E. Brief Reports and Discussion Items**
1. **Hellertown Borough Trick-or-Treat – Sunday, October 30 from 5pm to 7pm** – Mrs. deLeon requested the date and time of Trick-or-Treat be discussed at a SVP meeting early in the year. Members agreed to add this item to the Re-Organization agenda.
 2. **County Gaming Authority** – Mrs. Huhn informed the Partnership that Lower Saucon Township was awarded a grant for a police officer and a grant for a police vehicle. The fire services vehicle was not funded. Mrs. Hartranft informed the Partnership that Hellertown Borough was awarded a grant for two police officers. A joint application with Lower Saucon Township for an ambulance was also approved.
 3. **Joint COG Projects** – Mrs. Hartranft informed the Partnership that both Hellertown and Lower Saucon Township received notification from Robin Rotherham, Library Director, that the Hellertown Library will submit a Notice of Intent to Apply for a Keystone Library grant. Mrs. Rotherham indicated the grant will request funding for roof and stucco repairs. There is a 50% match required with the grant, which the library has available in its capital fund. Upon motion by Mrs. deLeon, second by Mrs. Louder, the Partnership agreed to write a letter of support for this project pending approval of the borough, township and school board.
 4. **Roads & Traffic – Update on Route 412 Construction** – According to PennDot representatives, substantial completion of this project will be done by fall 2016. Mrs. deLeon notified the Partnership that Lower Saucon Township has concerns with the intersection of SR412 and Shimmersville Road. Lower Saucon Township will send a letter outlining their concerns to PennDot. The Borough will be cc’d on the letter.
 5. **Saucon Valley Compost Center** – Mrs. Hartranft indicated the Borough is still waiting on grant funding announcements.
 6. **Water Street Bridge** – Mr. Rieger appraised the Partnership of the construction schedule. Currently environmental assessments and core testing is being conducted on site.
 7. **Northampton County Report** – absent. Mr. Rieger mentioned that he read Diane Donaher has resigned her position as Director of Community & Economic Development.
 8. **Walmart Super Center – LVIP VII – Route 412 & Commerce Center Blvd.** – A great deal of discussion ensued regarding the proposed Walmart Super Center concerning whether the Rt.

412 improvement traffic studies took into consideration this type of use. The Partnership agreed to invite Kerry Wroble, President of LVIP to a future Partnership meeting to outline the overall conceptual plans for LVIP and perhaps neighboring Majestic Center.

- F. Citizens Commenting on Non-Agenda Items** – None
- G. Events Calendar** – May 13 & 14 Relay for Life, May 18 HLSC Roundtable Discussion, June 4 Community Yard & Sidewalk Sale, July 17-23 Restaurant Week, August 20 Community Day
- I. Adjournment** – Upon motion by Mrs. deLeon, second by Mr. Inghrim, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

The next meeting of the Saucon Valley Partnership is Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at Hellertown Borough.