

## **DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT – OCTOBER 14, 2018**

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**Members:** Weiler, Chairperson, Barr, Zimmerman

**Attendees:** Barr, Weiler, Reinhold, Zimmerman, Rowe, Moore, Visitor (1)

The Development Activities Committee met on September 23, 2019 and discussed the following:

### **Action Items:**

1. The Committee reviewed two HVAC repair invoices for the Ephrata Public Library. The committee would like to have the staff begin to look into the feasibility of replacing the units versus continuing to repair the units. The money for these invoices will be taken out of the borough building maintenance fund. The Committee will recommend that Borough Council authorize a total payment of \$986.77 directly to H.C. Nye at the October meeting.
2. The Committee reviewed a request from Cocalico Investments, LTD to release the remaining financial security for the improvements associated with the construction of two apartment buildings at 1601 West Main Street. The improvements have been inspected and approved. The Committee will recommend that Borough Council release the remaining amount of \$23,537.00 at the October meeting.
3. The Committee reviewed a request from the Ephrata Rec Center to provide beer and wine during the Clare Point Derby event held at the Rec Center on November 16, 2019. The beverages will be served by professional bar staff. The Committee will recommend that Borough Council grant the request to provide beer and wine at their October meeting subject to the receipt of a PLCB special occasion permit and receipt of a certificate of insurance naming the Borough as an additional insured.

### **Discussion Items:**

1. The staff informed the Committee that rental permit renewal letters will go out in October and if they have unpaid taxes and utilities, they won't have their permit renewed for the next permit cycle. The landlords will be sent a letter telling them what is preventing them from renewing the permit. Mrs. Moore explained that there is a game plan in place to ensure compliance with all the renewal requirements contained in the rental ordinance.
2. There was one decision from the September Zoning Hearing Board meeting. Envision Management, 301 West Main Street was granted a parking variance and a modification of a previous zoning decision.
3. There are two new applications for the October Zoning Hearing Board meeting. The committee does not feel it's necessary to send the solicitor to either hearing.