## CASGED Community Meeting Minutes 12 July 2016 6:30 pm

Board members present: Bob Herbert, Brenda Kay Dailey, Joe Valorie, Paul Cerny, Jr., John Klinger Ruth Ann Dailey, Rafael Walton, Chris Rosselot, Dennis Lynch

- 1. Bob Herbert called meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Brenda Kay Dailey, secretary, presented the June minutes w/ a correction.
- 3. Darlene Harris reported on the following:
  - a. Food City lots: the council has received a request to purchase the lots but since CASGED has registered its desire to purchase the lots for continued green space, Darlene indicated that this unknown request will not be approved as community groups have right of first refusal.
  - b. Darlene is continuing to request that the water fountain in Catalena Parklet be re-installed.
  - c. Joe Valorie has the list of missing trashcans' locations/addresses to send to Darlene's office.
- 4. Chris Waraks explained the request for a zoning variance for dormer windows at 908 Peralta renovation. He asked for a letter of support from CASGED board. CASGED board met and voted unanimously in favor of support letter after the community meeting had adjourned.
- 5. Presentation by Teutonia Mannerchor regarding parking for employees and events, Hetzel House museum by Ed Graf. During the question and answer session for Ed Graf's presentation, a community member raised questions about community sidewalks in disrepair. As these questions were not pertinent to Ed's presentation, and he was due to present at another meeting, the sidewalk discussion was brought to a close.

## 6. Penn Brewery

- a. Question: Why has parking lot across from Penn Brewery been blocked from use? PennDOT raised price \$1,000/month for rental; Penn Brewery has been paying most of the fee and will not continue to pay. This shows a need for a business/community-wide solution.
  - b. Complaint: this is also blocking access for church-goers.
  - c. Point raised: Taxpayers have already paid for this parking lot through our tax dollars.
  - d. Question: What is happening with retaining wall at Brewery? Engineers are at an impasse: one says the plan is good to go; the other says plan is no good.
- 7. Tom Pierce presented a review of the Comprehensive Plan for new community members.
- 8. Financial report was presented by Paul Cerny, treasurer.
- 9. Community member asked about progress on the "Chestnut Street project" and how the Buhl grant funds were being applied. RA Dailey, President, replied that the board was still working with Buhl/Sprout Fund to wrap up the grant and is awaiting a decision from them, and that as soon as there was any news, it would be announced.
- 10. A guest spoke about the need for transparency in government processes and community entities and asked for people to sign a petition he was circulating.
- 11. Another community member asked for information on how CASGED identifies developers and markets properties that it takes through the Treasurer's Sale. RA Dailey said the Development Committee and board are working together to craft guidelines for property sales. Both the CASGED board and the Development Committee worked together to find a buyer/developer for 1007 High Street, the only property CASGED has taken all the way through the T-sale process as yet. Developers who had previously contacted CASGED through Mrs. Harris' office were invited to put in offers on 1007 High St., and board/committee members

also reached out through their networks. There were five bids and the highest was accepted. Meeting was adjourned by Ruth Ann Dailey at 8:20 pm.