Call to Order: Chairperson L. Durkin called the meeting to order.

Attendance

- **Committee members present:** Chairperson L. Durkin and Councilor C. Whitney.
- **Committee members absent:** Councilor T. Danilak, and Councilor M. Golden.
- **Others present:** Vice President R. Bunker, Mayor E. Foley, Borough Manager G. Locke and Director of Finance R. Ware.

Public Comment: John Haiuna, 438 Leedom Street, appeared before the committee to discuss the traffic and speed on Johnson Street between Hillside Avenue and West Avenue. Mr. Abrams stated that both he and his children have almost been hit a few times and when he went to talk to the police about the matter they had informed him that he should appear before Council to discuss the issue. Mayor E. Foley stated that he will bring the issue before the Chief and see if more patrol or that the speed trailer can be placed on Johnson Street for a rotation to remind drivers of the speed limit.

Mayor E. Foley and Greg Lester, 315 Greenwood Avenue, wanted to discuss little free libraries. Little free libraries are quite the trend around the county; they are little stands that people put on their properties facing the sidewalk that are filled with books. If someone wanted to take a book from these libraries they could, or they could leave a book that they are finished reading. Mayor E. Foley thinks that little free libraries are a positive and attractive thing.

Marta Vosbikian, spoke before Council to discuss her disappointment in the planning of Good Day Philadelphia. Marta stated that not all businesses were included such as Mine by Design, and she feels as though other businesses had more attention than those featured. Mayor E. Foley spoke on behalf of Council stating that Council did not pick the schedule of the businesses that would be included, that was picked by the producers, however he knows that Mine by Design was on the list to get featured and is very upset that they were not featured on Good Day Drives You.

President D. Pancoe wanted to clarify the difference between the Farmer’s Market and the Rec Board. Rumors have been going around that the Rec Board has been charging the vendors to participate in the Farmer’s Market. President D. Pancoe stated that it was not the Rec Board charging the vendors but Stephanie Berardi. Ms. Berardi is the event planner for the Farmer’s Market and has lease with the Borough to run the Farmer’s Market. Ms. Berardi has since paired up with the Rec Board’s Summer Music Series event, but the Farmer’s Market is still under a different entity.

Featured Items for Discussion

- **2035 Comprehensive Plan Update** – Chairperson L. Durkin stated that this month was the final month they would be meeting until after summer. The Steering Committee has not met during the summer as the County Planners are doing a parking study and synthesis over the summer months. The Steering Committee meetings will begin again once the parking study is completed. Once they reconvene in the fall they will review the synthesis that they create during the summer as well as
the parking study. The County Planners want to resume in the fall with another series of public meetings.

- **Short and Long Term Plans for Parking Solutions** - Chairperson L. Durkin stated that the County Planners have started their parking study as it is two phases. Maggie Dobbs and Marley Bice assessed the parking needs in late June and will be coming back to do a second study in late August. Once all the data is collected, the County Planners will be presenting the findings at the next Steering Committee.

- **Residential U&O Resale Ordinance:** Chairperson L. Durkin wanted to discuss a new residential resale use and occupancy inspection that when a property sells it has to pass this inspection before the sale can go through. Chairperson L. Durkin likes Conshohocken’s resale inspection and would like to model the Borough’s after that if at all possible. The property must meet the Borough’s property maintenance requirements set forth in the International Property Maintenance Code. Chairperson L. Durkin would like to swiftly move this into action and start enforcing this. Vice President R. Bunker and President D. Pancoe both had reservations over this as some properties like to be sold as is as “fixer uppers”. Borough Manager G. Locke stated that Conshohocken has a very extensive program as theirs is four pages long. He would recommend Jenkintown Borough design one that fits the Borough’s needs while not being too comprehensive.

- **A Frame (Sandwich Board) Sign Ordinance** – Due to time constraints A Frame (Sandwich Board) Signs were not discussed.

- **Inside Out Art Program** – Borough Manager G. Locke was happy to announce that all applications for the Inside Out Art Program have been submitted. This program is partnered with the Philadelphia Art Museum to promote art throughout Jenkintown. These paintings will be displayed throughout the Borough from August until October of 2016. The Borough is excited to be working with the Philadelphia Art Museum.

- **Borough Gateway Welcome Sign** - Chairperson L. Durkin stated that the development of Glanzmann is waiting on the agreement on how much Glanzmann Subaru will contribute to the “Gateway Obelisk”. Once an agreement is reached the Borough will release the construction permits. The construction of this project is expected to take approximately four months. The timeline of completion is being driven by the escrow release paperwork by the Applicant. Permits cannot be issued until the escrow and SALDO agreements are finalized. Councilor C. Whitney believes that the 25-foot-tall “obelisk” is a bit much and will be discussing with Jim Rose to see if the “obelisk” needs to be 25 feet tall. Chairperson L. Durkin stated that the design is important as this is a “long term investment”. Councilor C. Whitney is just afraid that Love & Care Cleaners will be hidden behind this sign. Vice President R. Bunker wants to issue Glanzmann Subaru’s building permits, however both Chairperson L. Durkin and President D. Pancoe want to hold off the issuance of the permits to make sure Glanzmann continues his “in good faith” agreements.

- **Lindy Properties – Town Square Recyclable Dumpster Permit** – Borough Manager G. Locke stated that Lindy Properties have resubmitted their permits to place a recyclable dumpster right next to their trash dumpster in the Leedom Street Parking Lot. The Design Review Board has looked at the dumpster and has approved the plans with a couple comments which are all in Dropbox, such as seeing a more durable project, which Borough Manager G. Locke believes is in regards to the fence as well as a maintenance timeline. The next step would be for approval of the permits. President D. Pancoe stated that she would also like to see the current fence brought up to good condition as a condition on the permit as well. Borough Manager G. Locke stated that he recommends making the maintenance stipulation on the permit.

**Items for Information**

- **Jenkintown Planning Commission Report** – No report at this time.
• 2016 Concrete Paving Project – Update – Borough Manager G. Locke wanted to highlight the initial letters for the replacement and repair of the curbs and sidewalk went out in September. The follow up official notice went out in January of this year, and most residents are preparing for the work to be completed.

• Demolition & Zoning Permit Submitted – 207 West Avenue – Borough Manager G. Locke stated that Mr. Joseph Zeccardi submitted a zoning application to build a single family structure on his lot at 207 West Avenue. Borough Manager G. Locke will be reaching out to the Borough’s Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny, to help with the zoning determination of this permit. Once a determination has been reached, Borough Manager G. Locke will inform Council of the outcome.

• Design Review Road (Lindy Properties Dumpster / Addition 416 Newbold Road) – Lindy Properties was discussed during Featured Items for Discussion. Due to time constraints the addition at 416 Newbold Road was not discussed.

Ongoing Items

• 2015 Paving Project – Required Concrete Repairs – Borough Manager G. Locke stated three residents and one commercial property received final letters stating the requirements of compliance. These homeowners were given a total of 30 days to complete the work, or by August 10th. If the work is not completed these owners will receive citations. All other repairs have been completed.

• Avelthorpe Park Partnership with Rockledge Borough – Chairperson L. Durkin wanted to highlight that she has heard from Mayor E. Foley regarding the meeting with Abington Township. Chairperson L. Durkin stated that the Mayor is in contact with them, but the meeting to discuss Avelthorpe park has still not been formally arranged yet.

• 101 York Road Land Development – Discussed during the Borough Welcome Sign.

• Septa Train Station Update – Chairperson L. Durkin stated that the train station cannot have a restaurant due to the parking requirements that are needed for the restaurant. Chairperson L. Durkin will continue to look for other avenues for parking to allow for a restaurant and will update the committee as information becomes available.

• Banner Program Update – Chairperson L. Durkin stated that Carolyn Hirsh of Lindy Properties will continue to work on this initiative and Chairperson L. Durkin will continue to update the committee as information becomes available

• TCDI Grant Opportunity – Chairperson L. Durkin stated that the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission opened a Transportation and Community Development Initiative, TCDI, which is a grant used to study traffic calming implementation. This grant is a planning grant with a 20% match, not an engineering grant. The maximum the Borough could receive is $100,000. The Borough applied for this grant for a traffic calming study of York Road. The 2016 Borough application has not yet been approved.

• 206 Township Line Road - Chairperson L. Durkin stated that 206 Township Line Road has requested an extension regarding their Land Development. The owners/contractors are still working to get the plans corrected to address the reviews from the Engineer and the Planning Commission for the Land Development Application

Adjournment: On motion of Chairperson L. Durkin, seconded by Vice President R. Bunker, the motion adjourning the meeting passed unanimously.