

Thanks to **Save A Lot** for furnishing snacks to the board during this meeting. Save A Lot is located at 7703 Sissonville Drive, Charleston, WV 25320

Highlights: discussion of issues facing the Greater Sissonville area were itemized; letter to DOH regarding Millertown maintenance approved; Joe Luoni, Kanawha County Engineer attended and reported a hearing concerning proposed timbering of Camp Virgil Tate would be held at 6 pm on Monday, July 8 at the camp; officers present decided to cancel the July GSDC meeting in favor of urging all members to attend the hearing; next meeting Monday, August 12, 2013 at 5 pm in the Sissonville Public Library.

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June 10, 2013

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Sissonville Public Library

Meeting started: 5:15 pm

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Dana Ferrell who presided.

Voting Members Attending:

Dana Ferrell, Vice President, Chad Taylor, Treasurer, Tom Crouser, Secretary, Danny Bragg, Jason Fields, Tom Miller, Steve Poyet, Kevin Shamblin and Kanawha County Engineer Joe Luoni

Approval of Minutes: Printed copies of previous meetings (April 8, 2013 and May 13, 2013) were previously distributed to all via email. Printed copies were available at the meeting.

Chad Taylor moved to accept the minutes without reading. Motion seconded by Tom Miller. Vote to accept the minutes without reading was unanimous.

Topics discussed:

1. Millertown DOH Maintenance:

Dana Ferrell reported that he has not heard back from DOH at this point. Earl Scyoc indicated Tupper's Creek also needed to be cleaned, mowed. Discussion ensued on DOH issues. John Luoni, Kanawha County Engineer, committed to making contact regarding the interchanges and the signage around the construction area. Group discussed a letter from the GSDC to the DOH with a copy to the county commission.

Motion to write said letter was made by Earl Scyoc and seconded by Kevin Shamblin and was approved unanimously.

2. GSDC Vision

A discussion was held on the GSDC Mission: *Preserve and improve the physical, social and economic health of the Greater Sissonville Community.*

Issues were identified as still current after review of historic records. Attempt was made to list the issues only and not necessarily offer solutions.

Define Greater Sissonville – Tom Crouser will attempt and report at the next meeting.

Business District branding – identify of business area south of Pocatalico that many consider as being “Sissonville” was discussed.

Interstate Road Signs do not clearly identify Sissonville

Sissonville image projects still current were identified and included: meth (drugs) in community issue; physical eyesores; flooding; lack of housing development options; lack of community involvement; lack of community events; and potential for a Sissonville Reunion

Where do we need to grow; community housing; how can we be part of that planning process – CURA director discussion on

Infrastructure – water and sewer

Sissonville Middle School property discussion – no park in the area – how much does school board want? – County probably would not support a new park because of funds and issues surrounding such public areas.

School board had promised to replace the gym floor but found asbestos in asphalt underneath floor increasing the cost to some \$105,000. Group noted that the first impression many have of the area is the high school

3. Items not on the Agenda

John Luoni, County Engineer – a hearing concerning proposed timbering of Camp Virgil Tate will be held at 6 pm on Monday, July 8 at the camp. The purpose of the timbering would be to generate funds to help with the pool replacement. A second hearing has been scheduled by the county commission at courthouse on July 10th also at 6 pm.

Signage renewals – discussed advertising on the GSDC sign at the Tupper's Creek exchange – Dana Ferrell and Chad Taylor will approach current advertisers for renewals at the rate of \$300 for 2 years. Group also discussed the banner ads on the GSDC website - \$100 per year per ad.

Potential for an Exit 114 Pocatalico welcome sign in addition to the Tupper's Creek sign was discussed

Electronic sign at high school – report received that the sign has been installed but is not in operation.

Discussed of associate members and voting members

Sissonville Lions Club golf tournament – Saturday, June 15th.

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There being no other discussion, Chad Taylor moved to end the meeting, Kevin Shamblin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting ended at 6:10 pm

Because the next scheduled meeting of GSDC and the hearing on proposed timbering of Camp Virgil Tate are both scheduled for Monday, July 8th and because of no pressing matters for the GSDC to discuss at this time, officers present decided to cancel the July 8th meeting and instead urge all members to attend the hearing at Camp Virgil Tate.

*Next Scheduled Meeting of GSDC: **Monday, August 12, 2013 at 5 pm*** in the Sissonville Public Library.