

Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2015

6:00 PM

Conference Room C

Mt. Lebanon Municipal Building

Parking Facility Advisory Board

Attendees:

David Egler
Mose McNeese
Andrew Flynn
Steve Silverman, Commission Liaison
Mark Quealy, Parking Enforcement
Rudy Sukal, Staff Liaison

Absent:

Alan Kraemer
Mickey Gatto

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Mr. Egler.

Roll Call: As indicated above.

Public Comments: No citizen comments.

Approval of March 26, 2015 Minutes:

Mr. McNeese made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of March 26, 2015 as submitted which was seconded by Mr. Flynn. The motion was unanimously approved by the members attending the meeting.

Business Owner Perception of Parking : Eric Milliron, the municipal economic and commercial business district manager, attended the meeting to provide some insight on parking from the business owner's point of view. Mr. Milliron indicated that businesses everywhere tend to believe that there is never enough parking. He indicated that there has been positive feedback on the installation of the new parking meters which accept debit and credit cards. He also indicated that the new hotel has had a very positive impact on parking and the entire central business district. He indicated that a strategic plan will take place and that parking will be an important component of the plan. He indicated that the proposals for the strategic plan are due and that he would like to bring a recommendation to the Commission in May. Mr. Silverman indicated that the Manager is looking for suggestions from the parking board to improve use of the South Garage as well as other areas that are not being used. The group discussed the differences between day and evening parking demands as well as the potential for dynamic pricing for different areas. Mr. Milliron indicated that the Port Authority is planning a major project in Beechview which will affect the rail service

and probably discourage parking in Mt. Lebanon since the rail system will not flow through Beechview.

Review of First Quarter Financial Reports 2015: Andrew McCreery, Director of Finance, reviewed the financial statements for the operation of the parking operation for the first quarter of 2015. Mr. McCreery indicated that the first quarter review is consistent with previous years. Mr. McCreery also indicated that there was good news regarding the credit card fees and by year end we should recognize an estimated \$20,000 in savings.

Revenue collection and control updates: The group discussed information that had been reviewed and researched by the municipal staff. The group also discussed goals that would be set while continuing to determine the best possible strategy for implementing a new collection and control system for the parking operation.

Potential representative to network with EDC: Mr. McNeese was chosen by the board to represent the Parking Facility Advisory Board at the monthly EDC meetings.

New Business: The board discussed signs along Lebanon Avenue between Washington and Florida Avenue, no parking signs along Florida Avenue and improvements to the South Garage identification signage.

Adjournment: Mr. McNeese made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. which was seconded by Mr. Flynn.