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Executive Director's Message



There is some “light at the end of the tunnel!” Finally, it seems that most of the COVID 19 pandemic is behind us. On Tuesday, June 15th, the

MVEDP’s board of directors met in person for the first time since January 2020. It was good to have the board back together again. Nothing against the on-line meetings because they worked for us, it’s just better to have the board together talking about the things that we can be doing to make this region even better than it already is.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is a brief article about the Moshannon Valley Emergency Medical Services and their ambulance facility construction project. MVEMS has purchased 2.3 acres of land at the former hospital site and they are planning to build a new headquarters facility there.

At the May board meeting, I mentioned to the board that two organizations in the area had asked the MVEDP for our assistance in managing either a project or a building. When the board of directors heard about the MVEMS project and their request for our assistance, the board

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Moshannon Valley Emergency Medical Services Continues to Pursue New Headquarters Project

The Moshannon Valley Emergency Medical Services (MVEMS) continues to work diligently on their project to develop a new headquarters on a portion of the former hospital grounds. They were successful in purchasing 2.3 acres of land from the Partnership. MVEMS leadership is now working with the assistance of Partnership staff to find the funding to make this project happen. All federal and state funding programs are being explored to determine if the MVEMS is an eligible applicant. State Rep. Scott Conklin and his staff are working to assist MVEMS in finding project funds.

Rush Township Approves Zoning Change at Former Philipsburg Hospital Site

On Tuesday, June 15th, the Rush Township Supervisors held a public hearing to allow the citizens of the area an opportunity to comment on a rezoning request. The request was made by Graystone Philipsburg to have the site rezoned to Village/Mixed-Use. The rezoning was necessary for the proposed Graystone Philipsburg project is to go forward.

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voted unanimously to work with them on their project. This decision is an excellent example of how the MVEDP board works to make our area a better place to live and work.

The first meeting of the GEO Moshannon Valley reuse team was held on March 5th and we reported that in our Spring newsletter. The reuse team includes elected officials from the area, GEO leadership, state workforce development staff, and the MVEDP. Getting this facility back in use and people back to work there is not an easy proposition as we have learned. We are hopeful that GEO leadership will be able to develop another use for this site.

Graystone Philipsburg Proposed at Former Hospital Site



Bedford Graystone Court Photo

There are 14 Graystone facilities located throughout central Pennsylvania and now there is one coming to the Philipsburg area. Jeff Long of Graystone Philipsburg is proposing to construct a 4-story apartment building. The apartments will be for rent to people age 55 and older.



MVEDP Seeks Land for New Business Park Development

The Partnership has placed a high priority on finding a site that could be developed into a new business park. With the sale of Lot #3 to Sewer Catt, and Lot #6 to Organic Climbing, there is only one lot remaining in the Regional Business Park. Lot #11 is still available and it is 4.9 acres. If the Partnership wants to stay in the land sale business, it must find a site that can be turned into a business park with ready-to-go sites available.

Economic development “tools” include ready-to-go sites, building space, financing and an available/skilled workforce. The Partnership has had all of these tools available for just over 30 years and it has made a big difference in its ability to generate private investment here. PMG Pennsylvania Corporation, formerly Sinterstahl GmbH, was attracted to the area because of the availability of the land within the Regional Business Park. Diamondback Truck Covers was a business tenant of the Moshannon Valley Enterprise Center and then left the MVEC for Lot #8 within the Business Park.

Land is needed to complement the building space that is leased by businesses located here. Without new sites, there is every possibility that a company could begin and grow here, but then leave the area for a site located outside of the region.

Summer Work Crew Hired

Each year, the MVEDP hires young men to be a part of our summer work crew. Mowing, trimming bushes, cleaning, raking, scraping and painting, are some of the work items that are done by the crew. The crew this year is Ethan Yingling, Gavin Emigh, Tanner Wildman, and Parker White.

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Site Available at the Regional Business Park

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Lot #11	4.9	4.9	\$123,075



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