

HCA Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 6, 2018
7:15-9:00pm
State College Municipal Building, Room 241

1. **Introductions:** Meeting started at 7:15 pm. Attendees: Eric White, Jim and Susan Shincovich, Cindy Adams, Elisa Huncik, Anastasia Huncik, Mark Huncik, David Stone, Susan Venegoni, Mary Gorman, Jonathan Ziegler, Dan Hayes, Charima Young, Laird Jones
2. **Treasurer's Report:** \$1136.86; no change from last month.
3. **Approval of Jan. 9th Meeting Minutes. Motion by Susan Vanegoni. 2nd by Eric White.**
4. **Discussion of (State Patty's Day) SPD Weekend: Long discussion.** Crime statistics from SC Borough Crime and Emergency Room statistics (<http://www.statecollegepa.us/DocumentCenter/View/19420>) were circulated. The data show running totals from several years with 2011 having the highest reported number of crimes. The appearance of less cars was noticed in different areas of the Borough by several attendees suggests a decrease in the number of out-of-town visitors. More cars were noticed in other areas. A suggestion was made that police should discontinue warning and go straight to arresting under-age drinkers at big parties then the message would permeate the parties and large disruptive parties would be discouraged and their effects would decrease; emergency room visits would decrease, crimes would decrease, and neighborhood families would have less noise disruptions. An attendee noted that Liquor Control Board (LCB) complaint forms can be completed on-line. Fill-out the "custom" complaint section. LCB will respond within three (3) weeks. Discussions considered whether downtown was creating and fostering SPD.
5. **Update on Neighborhood Yard Sale and Picnic Gathering in June.** Yard Sale: June 9, 2018. An HCA member will help with advertisement. Picnic: Location: Fairmount Park (near intersection of Glenn Alley and E. Fairmount Ave.) No permit for the park is needed since the HCA is not asking for exclusive use of the park. Rita's Italian Ice Truck considered as option: \$100 set-up and approximately \$3 per serving.
6. **Update on Neighborhood Parking during Special Events.** Includes football games. Current Practice: SC Borough lifts overnight parking. Lawn parking also allowed. Meeting discussion: There was an overwhelming consensus to uphold current ordinances and not relax restrictions. Keep it simple and not change parking rules for special events. This can raise revenue and keep

people from parking in residential areas. Many people noted that they pay for parking when visiting other cities to see football games.

- 7. Neighborhood Coalition Meeting and Topics, including Increased Street Lighting.** The Neighborhood Coalition is composed of representatives from State College Borough neighborhoods. Topics: **1) Self determination** (what the Borough has authority to tax and what we want the Borough to tax). **2) Historic and Architectural Review Board (HARB)** formation was approved/passed by Borough Council. If you would like to serve on the HARB, apply by March 30, 2018. (<http://www.statecollegepa.us/documentcenter/view/19388>) The HARB is to consist of seven (7) members appointed by Borough Council. No additional Borough staff are needed to oversee the HARB. **3) ZRAC** – Zoning Re-Write Advisory Committee: no new meeting yet. **4) Redevelopment Authority** -Town Center project and Neighborhood Sustainability Program (NSP) has 3 duplexes; open house coming soon. **5) “Home in State College”** Facebook page – program run by Borough. **6) Increased Street Lighting and Borough Policy** – expect discussion to come forward from Borough staff and Council in April
- 8. Other Items of Business or News**
 - a. Susan and Jim Shincovich were awarded by “Focus on Appearance” design award from the Historic and Design Review Board.
 - b. **CoSpace Potluck – April 10th**. See upcoming emails on ListServ for details.
 - c. **OLLI Highlands Tour – June 29th**, There will be a guided tour of homes; some of which are not listed on the self-guided walking tour.
 - d. **Holly Alley vacation** – located in Highlands; land goes to abutting properties
- 9. Noise enforcement at establishments with liquor licenses** - Borough’s request for a Noise Exemption that would have the State College Police Department enforce noise complaints at Borough liquor licensed establishments instead of enforcement by the PA Liquor Control Enforcement (LCE) **Adjournment: Approx. 9:10pm**