

DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Confluence

March 12th, 2019

Attendance

Amy Stapleton – WesBanco
Paul Bucciarelli – Duquene University Small Business
Angie Urban – New Visions
Ronda Watkins – WesBanco
Sylvia Ewen – Warner Brothers

Aaron Miller – Miller Construction
Melissa Hamilton - WesBanco
Chris DeVivo - Confluence
Eileen Borrelli – PA Career Link Lawrence County
Don Kemerer – CRAY

Call to Order -- Amy Stapleton, Vice- President

Financial Report – Cash on Hand \$5,509.61

Partners Reports:

City of New Castle – Mayor not in attendance

County of Lawrence – Not in attendance

Regional Chamber of Commerce – Not in attendance

Tourist Promotion – Not in attendance

PA CareerLink – Eileen Borrelli – 4.4% unemployment for Lawrence County and 4.1% for the Pennsylvania. Holding a job fair on April 16th.

New Visions – Angie Urban – Preparing for the Summer Concert Series. Will continue to plant flowers in the downtown area this spring. Federal opportunity zones – tax credits – How do we pass this information on to businesses and their owners? How do we get businesses to move to this area? New Visions can not support specific candidates but will be holding forums for both Democratic and Republican candidates. April 16th for Republican and April 30th for Democrats at the Confluence. Anyone running for Mayor, City Council, School Board and County Commissioner is welcome to attend.

Blue Print – Not in attendance

Economic Development – Not in attendance

Warner Brothers - Sylvia Ewen – Waiting on grant funds for the carpet. Also mentioned the World War II exhibit that will run from March 30th thru May 21st at the Lawrence County Historical Building.

Adjournment – There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm. The next meeting will be held at Noon, on Tuesday, April 9th at the Chamber Office .