Economic Development

- On April 12th the Township submitted a Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Grant requesting about $190,000 for the Fun Fort Renovation Project. The grants will be awarded in the fall, so we will not know for several months whether we will receive the grant or not.

- The Development Authority met on April 17th at that meeting the Authority approved the submission of the 990 IRS tax forms for 2016 prepared by Brown, Schultz, Sheridan & Fritz.

- The Development Authority did not meet for the month of May due to lack of an agenda requiring action.

- On April 25th, Economic Development Staff presented at the PSATS Conference in Hershey on the role of economic development in Lower Allen Township.

Special Projects

- Comprehensive Plan

  Visioning Week occurred May 1st to May 4th. During that week six sessions were held seeking input for the Comprehensive Plan. Throughout the course of the week approximately 60 people attended the various events. The most attended night was Thursday, May 4th (the final night), which was a capstone event. It compiled much of the data and issues that had been discussed throughout the week at the various sessions and asked people to prioritize issues.

  The Community Survey which was widely advertised closed on May 8th. We received over 650 responses to the survey, which is a pretty healthy response rate.

  The Citizen Advisory Committee will meet on May 31st to discuss the results from Visioning Week as well as the survey. They will begin to prioritize the issues that came up from both.

- Fun Fort

  The design portion of the Fun Fort project is almost complete. Century Engineering will be completing construction drawings of the selected concept within the next month.