

**MINUTES
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
APRIL 2, 2007**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the North Lebanon Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building located at 725 Kimmerlings Road, Lebanon, PA with the following people present:

Dawn M. HawkinsChairperson
Edward A. BrensingerVice Chairperson
Kenneth C. ArtzTreasurer
Cheri F. GrumbineSecretary

Also in attendance was Debra Schell of the Lebanon Daily News, Roger Sands of the Patriot News and several other individuals.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

A.)A. Bruce Sattazahn – Maple St

Mr. Sattazahn told the Board he is concerned about a special purpose tapping fee which is being charged to developers in the east end of the Twp, specifically Narrows Dr area, where a possible restriction in the sewer lines could take place. After some discussion the Board suggested he go to an Authority meeting, as they are the ones who determine these tapping fees.

B.)Tom Stewart – N 7th St

Mr. Stewart asked about the proposed cell tower Ordinance information that had been discussed at the previous meeting. Suv Brensinger told him the draft of the updates for Ordinances is located in the office for public viewing. A Public Hearing on these Ordinances is scheduled for May 21st during the regular scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting.

C.)Hartman – Green Acres Mobile Home Park

Mr. Hartman asked about a porch located on his mobile home lot. He wanted to know about the necessity of a permit to replace the wooden materials. He was directed to contact Lebanon County Planning about whether or not he would need to acquire a permit.

D.)Martin Barondick – New St

Mr. Barondick asked about the current situation with Lebanon County Earned Income Tax Bureau. He asked Mgr Grumbine if this situation would affect the Twp at all. Mgr Grumbine explained the auditing process at the E.I.T. office is still being done. We will not know anything until the audit is completed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES February 19, March 5, and March 19, 2007

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the minutes from February 19, March 5 with a correction to the wording on page 1 referring to equipment. It should read “plasma cutter” in place of the word equipment. Also approved are minutes from March 19, 2007. Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL PAYROLL, PAYMENT OF INVOICES, FUND BALANCES

MOTION was made and seconded to approve payroll, invoices for payment subject to audit. Unanimously carried.

TOWNSHIP MANAGERS REPORT – Cheri F. Grumbine

A.)Request from Friends of Union Canal Tunnel Park

A request for assistance on paving projects for the north side of the park has been received form the Friends of Union Canal Tunnel Park. They have received a grant from DCED in the amount of \$20,000.

Friends of Union Canal Tunnel Park (con't)

They have requested the Twp include the following areas in the Twp spring paving projects: the parking area in the rear, the path from the parking area to the canal so as to make the park more handicapped friendly and a few feet on either side of the bridge. Suv Brensinger stated the Twp has worked with this group in the past when they had been completing the south parking area. By including their paving projects with the Twp's spring paving projects, the Canal groups' dollars are stretched much further and they are able to accomplish more. Mgr Grumbine asked Jim Schucker to provide a copy of the Grant information to her. She and Sol Wolf would like to review it tomorrow to make sure that there are no restrictions included in the Grant.

Suv Hawkins asked if this is something the Recreation monies (fees in lieu of) could be used for. A financial donation could be made to this Park, which is located in the Twp. Mgr Grumbine mentioned that the money would be used for creating something new in a recreational area. Suv Brensinger suggested this is a question that should be placed before the Park & Rec Board. Chp Hawkins asked Mgr Grumbine what action she would like from the Board tonight on this issue.

MOTION was made and seconded to authorize Mgr Grumbine to prepare an addendum including the requested paving projects for the Union Canal Park to the Twp's paving bids for our summertime projects conditional on Sol Wolf agreeing this would be allowable after reviewing the Grant information. Unanimously carried

B.) Preservation of James & Eva Weaver Property.

Notice has been received from Leb Co Agricultural Land Preservation Board regarding the preservation of the farm owned by James & Eva Weaver, located at 790 E Kercher Ave. The farm is currently listed under the Twp's Ag Security Program. Any comments should be forwarded to the Conservation Board no later than Monday, April 16.

Mr. Barondick stated his objection to the cluttered condition of this property. He said he understands it is all about preserving the land but the farmers should be required to maintain the condition of their properties the same as the residential property owners must do. The problem with this property is the appearance it creates with all the clutter. Barondick mentioned the Leb Valley Tourist Agency that is trying to promote tourism in Leb Co. Why is nothing said to the owners about the cluttered condition of these local farms? He feels if these farmers want to participate in the Preservation Program they should have to maintain their farm properties. Much discussion was held about this issue as none of the Supervisors could disagree with Barondick's statement. The Board decided to forward some of these comments to the Preservation Board and asked Mgr Grumbine to forward the comment letter.

COMMENT is to be made to the Preservation Board about the condition of the property located at 790 E Kercher Ave. The Twp is expressing concern about the lack of general housekeeping and clean up on this property.

C.) 2010 Census

The US Census Bureau is preparing for the 2010 Census. A Local Update of Census Addresses, which is known as LUCA, is being held in Manheim on April 10, 2007. Bonnie Grumbine will attend on behalf of the Twp. Some review of the mapping and necessary changes has already begun in our office. Mgr Grumbine told the Board this is just for informational purposes.

D.) Lebanon County Avian Flu Training and Information Meeting

A training and informational meeting on the Lebanon County Pandemic Flu Plan has been scheduled for Monday, April 23 from 7-9PM in the Municipal Building auditorium. All Municipal, School, Business & Organization Officials are invited to attend. Limited seating is available so a maximum of 2 persons from each agency is asked to attend. Mgr Grumbine reminded the Board that this is the same time as the PSATS Convention in Hershey.

Lebanon County Avian Flu Training and Information Meeting (con't)

The info has been forwarded to Chief Easter and Ron Miller, our EMA Coordinator. Ron Miller has indicated he will be out of town during that evening. Mgr Grumbine stated she could not definitely commit tonight but would attend, if she were able to, at that time.

E.)ZHB Decision – Country Cupboard Sign

Chp Hawkins had attended the ZHB case involving the electronic changing intermittent signboard. The decision from that hearing has now been received. The request for a variance was granted by the ZHB with 3 conditions: 1) message can only change every 6 to 8 seconds; 2) brightness of sign cannot exceed 25% of daytime brightness during the night hours; 3) petitioner must remove all temporary signs located on the existing freestanding sign.

A question was asked about the timing of having the sign installed. Suv Brensinger stated there is a 30-day appeal time on the decision of the Zoning Hearing Board. He feels they would probably wait until the 30-day appeal period passes and then erect the sign. Some conversation took place about the illumination and how the brightness of the sign is rated. Some mention was made also about the sign clutter at this particular location.

F.)Bid on Old Admin Copier

As the admin office has had a new copier in the office on a trial basis, the decision to keep the new copier has now been made. The old copier was offered to the 4 NLT Fire Companies for purchase. No one has expressed any interest. A bid has been received from the Hebron Hose Co. #1 in the amount of \$150.00. Mgr Grumbine is asking the Board's approval of this bid. Harrisburg Copiers offered to remove the old copier from our location, however they would not offer any trade-in allowance for the equipment.

Debra Schell, questioned if there was a specific reason a new copier was purchased. Mgr Grumbine explained the numbers on the copier were getting high and the repairs were starting to get costly. For someone who will not be using the copier constantly everyday, the copier is still good for some use.

MOTION was made and seconded to accept the bid from Hebron Hose in the amount of \$150.00 to purchase our old copier. Unanimously carried.

G.)SPRING Newsletter – Distribution in Merchandiser

Mgr Grumbine announced to the public the NLT SPRING Newsletter will be distributed in the Merchandiser this week.

H.)Good Friday – Offices Closed

Mgr Grumbine announced, as a reminder, the offices would be closed on Friday April 6, 2007.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**A.)Suv Hawkins**

Suv Hawkins questioned Suv Brensinger about the Zoning Hearing last week on the communication tower request. He stated the hearing had been continued until May 22. The Attorney for T Mobile is questioning the need for a variance. The Zoning Hearing meeting will be held the evening after the Supervisors' meeting.

As there was no more business to conduct or discuss the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa L. George
Recording Secretary