

**MINUTES
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OCTOBER 16, 2006**

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. Hawkins	Chairperson
Edward A. Brensinger	V-Chairperson
Kenneth C. Artz	Treasurer
Cheri F. Grumbine	Township Manager
Harold Easter	Chief of Police
Attorney Tom Harlan.....	Henry & Beaver LLP

Also in attendance was: A representative of the Lebanon Daily News, and many other individuals.

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 PM
PLEDGE TO FLAG

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

A.)Tom Stewart - N 7th Street

Mr. Stewart questioned the main gasline to the municipal building. He stated it seems to be exposed and wondered if there was anything being planned to be done to protect the line. Suv Brensinger informed Stewart it is listed on the punchlist of items to be completed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the October 2, 2006 minutes. 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.

FIRE CHIEF's REPORT

A.)George Gettler - Rural Security Fire Co; Chairman of the Fire Chiefs Committee

Mr. Gettler informed the public that the Fire Chiefs from the 4 fire companies located in NL Twp have decided to make an appearance at the Supervisors' meeting to report on various calls for service and some of the other events the fire companies are involved with. This would be an outreach to the public that they serve and at the same time give them some information about the fire company activities. Gettler gave a summary of all the calls responded to by 3 of the 4 companies in the past month. He reported on a vehicle the Rural Security Fire Co has recently purchased. The 1996 Freightliner's purpose will be to serve as a squad truck and will transport equipment and personal to service calls.

When questioned about this report that has been given, Gettler responded that there will be reports given regularly. After the first of the year Gerry Burke will be attending the meetings, as the Fire Chiefs rotate being Chairman of this Committee.

George Gettler - Rural Security Fire Co (con't)

The Board thanked Gettler for attending and offering the summary report. Suv Brensinger told Gettler that as a Board member they attend many meetings throughout the State. One of the comments they hear time after time is the lack of volunteerism for the Fire companies. He would like to express his appreciation to all the fire companies in NL Twp. Fortunately this does not seem to be an issue for us and he is thankful for that fact. Gettler responded that the Rural Security Fire Co is fortunate to have so many active volunteers. Another fact he mentioned is that the four different fire companies are now working together in a united fashion and it is a working situation for all the companies.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT – Harold Easter**A.) Calls For Service Report – September 2006**

Chf Easter reported to the Board with a summary of the activities from September 2006.

B.) Humane Society Contract for 10/06 – 9/30/06

Chf Easter informed the Board the Humane Society contract with the Twp has been received. If the Board is in agreement the contract should be executed and returned to the Humane Society. Some discussion was held as the numbers presented in the contract seemed to be conflicting. It was decided to table this issue until all the numbers were confirmed.

C.) Various Activities

Chf Easter reported that the anniversary date of Officer Herberg's employment is tomorrow. He will become a permanent employee of the Twp at that time. This past Saturday there were 2 Officers at the Wal Mart location finger printing children. The turn out was wonderful and everyone seemed to have a good time. On October 28th a "Malloween" is being sponsored. Children will be invited to "trick or treat" throughout the mall. The Police will be handing out treats that were provided by Manno Foods. Chf Easter told the public that the Officers would be out on Halloween night, in force, to insure the children's safety.

George Gettler told the Chief the 4 Twp fire companies will be out on Halloween night also. They will be distributing glow sticks to all the children. In addition the fire stations will be open that evening to the public.

D.) D.A.R.E. Programs

Due to the fact we have only one Officer this year the programs will be split. Union Canal School will have their program presented this fall and Ebenezer School will be having their program in the spring. Officer Koons will be instructing the D.A.R.E. classes this year.

Chf Easter asked if there were any questions. Audrey Zellers questioned the recent BB gun incidents in the Jonestown area. Chf Easter replied we haven't had any incidents in NL Twp.

Charles Allwein - Martin Dr

Mr. Allwein asked the Chief about all the car break-ins and thefts. What is being done to curtail these types of activities? Chf Easter said through the Twp Newsletter and website the department is attempting to educate the public about the benefit of keeping their vehicles locked. The majority of the vehicles were not forcibly entered. The public is very naive about having their vehicles locked while on their property.

TOWNSHIP MANAGERS REPORT – Cheri F. Grumbine**A.) Brian Amerman Minor Subdivision Plan (1 lot off Narrows Drive)**

Mgr Grumbine said the Brian Amerman plan shows a one-lot subdivision along the west side of Narrows Drive, south of Penny Lane. The proposed lot is to be improved with a single-family dwelling, driveway access onto Narrows Dr, utility hook-ups, storm water design and associated improvements. The residual lands will retain 13+ acres in area. A letter from Lebanon County Planning has indicated all issues have been addressed and are recommending their approval. NL Twp Planning Commission has also reviewed the plan and is recommending approval. The Park & Rec agreement and fees have been signed and paid.

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the Park & Recreation agreement for the Brian Amerman Subd Plan. Unanimously carried.

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the Brian Amerman subd plan. Unanimously carried.

B.) Homestead Acres Plan Extension

An extension request has been received from the Engineer for Homestead Acres Phase 4 plan. The current time extension is due to expire on 10-25-06 and a one-year extension is being requested. Approvals from DEP and the Army Corps of Engineers are the reason one year is being requested. Mgr Grumbine is suggesting that the Board approve the request conditional upon meeting the current specifications as of today.

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the time extension request of one year for Homestead Acres Phase 4 conditional upon the current specifications being met at that time. Unanimously carried.

C.) Kochenderfer Road Storm Water Update

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 specifies that local municipalities adopt a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan to be eligible for federal hazard mitigation funds. Without an approved plan the residents lose the opportunity to cost-effectively mitigate the community's hazard risks. Lebanon County Planning has decided to prepare a DMA 2000-compliant multi-jurisdictional HMP for each municipality to review and consider for adoption. The plan will identify various areas that are disaster areas specific to each municipality. Once approved by FEMA, each municipality is eligible to apply for federal funds to implement the identified hazard mitigation measures. By adopting this plan the Twp strengthens its position to obtain state funds to assist with our hazard mitigation efforts. The entire cost of the plan is covered by a FEMA Predisaster Mitigation Planning Grant, which will be administered by the County Board of Commissioners.

Mgr Grumbine, Ass't Mgr Wartluft and Roadmaster Brensinger all met with Jeff Achey of the Lebanon County Emergency Management Agency on Friday, October 6. A discussion of 2 potential hazard mitigation projects took place. Information about the Kochenderfer Road storm water issue was provided to Mr. Achey and a discussion about the possible solutions that could be provided was held. The upgrading of the Lion's Lake Dam was a project that was also discussed. The upgrading of the storm water pipes and the drainage system in the area of Rte 72 and Jay Street would be included as part of this project.

Mr. Achey informed them that a committee has been formed that will review the applications they receive from the various municipalities in the County to determine which projects merit going for possible funding. The committee will meet in October.

Kochenderfer Road Storm Water Update (con't)

Chp Hawkins questioned what our chances of being included in the projects were. Mgr Gumbine replied that the Lions Lake project was deemed as a very good fit for this type of project. The rest of the Committee would determine the Kochenderfer Road project.

D.) 902 Grant Application to DEP

A 902 Grant Application has been completed and reviewed with our DEP representative. This application includes: cardboard baler \$5975 - 100% DEP share; roll-off containers (2) \$9074 - 100% DEP share; surveillance system \$3964 - 100% DEP share; PROP conference \$550 - 100% DEP share; Fall & Spring Newsletter \$3129 - Twp match. The total cost of all items is \$22,692 of which is \$19563 DEP match; \$3129 Twp match. Mgr Grumbine is asking the Board to approve submitting the application. Some discussion was held about the various recycling activities that are done within the Township building itself.

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the Recycling Coordinator submitting the 902 Grant application to DEP. Unanimously carried.

E.) Resolution No. 16-2006 - NIMS

After receiving conflicting information about the adoption of a resolution regarding NIMS, Mgr Grumbine decided to prepare a resolution for adoption of the Board. By adopting this resolution the Twp is covered in the event of any type of emergency situation. All the Supervisors, Mgr Grumbine and Ass't Mgr Wartluft have completed the training and taken the test to become certified in the IS-700 and IS-100. Chf Easter reported the Officers are completing their training and are working toward certification.

MOTION was made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 16-2006 pertaining to the National Incident Management System. Unanimously carried.

SOLICITORS REPORT – Sol Fred Wolf's Report read by Attorney Tom Harlan**A.) Update on George Hardick**

A hearing has been scheduled with Judge Tywalk for November 30, 2006. Officer Wengert is assisting Sol Wolf by obtaining weekly reports from Mr. Hardick. Nelson Ebersole has informed Mr. Hardick he would be able to assist him in getting rid of the required items that need to be removed from the property. Ebersole indicated he prefers to do this with Hardick's consent. Hardick knows he is under a deadline. If the hearing is necessary a \$10,000 fine will be requested.

B.) LVEDC Dedication of Windsor Drive; LERTA Request

A letter has been sent to the LVEDC attorney from Sol Wolf. Any remaining items to be addressed by LVEDC should be completed between now and the spring of 2007. Dedication of Windsor Drive to the Twp will not be made until the spring of 2007 and is conditional upon all the punchlist items being completed by that time. In addition LVEDC has requested the LERTA boundaries be extended to include the whole business park. A public hearing and adoption of a new Ordinance would be required. If the Board considers adopting the new Ordinance, the Twp is not required to participate by giving tax relief.

C.) Seyfert/ Morrissey Lot Addition – Mt Zion Road

Matthew & Hockley have delivered the plan and legal description for combining the lot addition to the existing tract of land for Seyfert. Instructions were also given to prepare a new deed.

Seyfert/ Morrissey Lot Addition – Mt Zion Road (con't)

This will all be prepared for the November meeting.

D.) Howard Horst Agreement – Kathleen Street

Both parties have now signed the agreement between Mr. Howard Horst and the Twp. The agreement will now be recorded in the Recorder of Deeds office.

E.) Roberto's Towing – Maple Street

Officer Wengert has completed another inspection of the Maple Street property. He has discussed all the violations with Mr. Olan. If necessary a court hearing will be scheduled and the Twp will request attorney's fees, fines, costs and the termination of his lease.

F.) Harold Kreider Plan – Tunnel Hill Road

A letter from Earl Meyer of LCPD has been sent to Mr. Kreider's attorney. The letter indicates Mr. Kreider should make a proper plan submission to the County Planning office as well as the Twp office.

G.) Gary Heisey's Request on Sewer Capacity for Diner – Rte 72 N

A proposed building addition to Heisey's Diner was delayed due to sewer capacity questions. Mr. Heisey will not have to purchase additional sewer capacity from the Lebanon City Treatment Plant unless he adds additional seating. He will be required to purchase additional sewer capacity from the Twp Municipal Authority and this issue should be resolved by the end of the month.

H.) Code Enforcement – Harold Dice – Old Ebenezer Road

Officer Wengert and Chris Miller have completed an inspection of 130 Old Ebenezer Rd and provided Harold Dice, owner, with a copy of the report. Work has begun on the property and Officer Wengert will continue to monitor any progress.

I.) Ordinance Updates

Sol Wolf is asking Mgr Grumbine to coordinate some times and dates to meet with the Supervisors, himself and Mgr Grumbine to review and discuss the proposed Ordinance updates.

J.) Notice of Lawsuits (Thome & Gerhart)

Several notices about potential lawsuits involving the Twp have been received. The information has been turned over to the insurance carrier. These issues may not become lawsuits for the Twp.

K.) N 11th Avenue RR Crossing – PUC Hearing Scheduled Oct 26-27

A hearing is scheduled for October 26-27. Information has been provided from County. A study had been completed on a Friday, which showed 3,000 vehicles using this crossing during that one day.

L.) Mike Webster - Developing Lots

Mr. Webster has requested permits to develop several new building lots. He is required to construct the existing private road to meet Twp requirements. He must also meet Authority requirements for sewer. These items will all be worked on in the next few weeks.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**A.)Ken Artz**

Suv Artz reported on a PSATS committee he is a member of and the meeting he had attended. It is called the PSATS Legislative Committee and it presents the opportunity for the local municipalities to initiate legislation that is important to them.

B.)Ed Brensinger

Suv Brensinger mentioned the committee he is working on that is for communities of 10,000 population or more. This committee deals with issues that municipalities of this size are dealing with daily. He mentioned that fire department issues and lack of volunteerism were 2 issues discussed. Aging infrastructure was another important issue discussed. While hearing some of the difficulties of the other communities, Suv Brensinger stated he realized how advanced NL Twp is compared to other municipalities of equal population.

C.)Dawn Hawkins

Suv Hawkins announced that Trick or Treat night is Tuesday, October 31 from 6-8PM. She advised everyone to use caution and be aware of the children out on the streets.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa L. George
Recording Secretary