MINUTES NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOVEMBER 16, 2015

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:

	A. Bruce Sattazahn	Vice – Chairman
	Richard E Miller	Treasurer
	Cheri F Grumbine	Twp Manager
	Harold L. Easter	Chief of Police
	Solicitor Frederick S. Wolf	Henry & Beaver LLP
Absent	Edward A. Brensinger	Chairman

Also in attendance was several other individuals. The meeting was called to order and the pledge to the flag was done.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

A.) Jessica Dundore – Kimmerlings Rd

Ms. Dundore told the Board she is here as a representative from her neighborhood to express their concerns about the speeding occurring on Kimmerlings Rd since the paving project has been completed. The motorists come off of N 8th Ave unto Kimmerlings and do not seem to care about the speed with which they are traveling. Ms. Dundore stated the school bus is having issues also as just yesterday the bus was almost rear-ended by a speeding vehicle. The Police Officers are trying to help control the speeding. She is requesting the Supervisors be aware of the problem and try to resolve it before someone is seriously injured.

Suv Sattazahn asked Chf Easter to respond. Chf Easter told Ms. Dundore that they are aware of the issues with speeding and are in the process of having an engineering study completed in order to have the speed limit reduced to 25MPH. He stated the study may take a while but the Officers have been asked to monitor the speeding problem.

B.) Scott Wartluft – Greenwood Dr

Mr. Wartluft told the Supervisors he wanted to compliment the Highway Dept on the great job they had done opening up the intersection at N 7th St and Kimmerlings Rd. Removing the tree along N 7th St was a huge help to motorists trying to negotiate that intersection. He thanked them for revising the intersection area.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the Supervisor meeting minutes from the October 19, 2015 Board meeting as well as October 21, November 4 and November 5, 2015 Budget Meetings. Motion was unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL, FUND BALANCES and PAYMENT OF INVOICES

<u>MOTION</u> was made and seconded to approve payroll, fund balances and invoices for payment subject to audit. Motion was unanimously carried.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – Rusty Weitzel, Ebenezer Fire Co

A.) Monthly Report – October

A summary report for the month of October was given. For the month of October the calls for service amounted to 88, along with 24 training sessions attended. A total of 226 personnel hrs was logged for October.

<u>CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT</u> – Chief Harold Easter

A.) Monthly Report –October 2015

Chf Easter reported on the activities for the month of October 2015 and mentioned some of the individual categories for these calls of service. Chf Easter reported there were a total of 532 Police-citizen contacts for the month of October with a total of 10,354 miles logged on the cruiser cars.

B.) Report on Trick or Treat Night

Chf Easter reported that Trick or Treat night was enjoyed by all and was a safe uneventful time. Also they had participated in Mall-oween which hosted approximately 1,000 children at the Lebanon Valley Mall. The children were given small stuffed toys and candy that is provided by the Marines Toys for Tots Program.

TOWNSHIP MANAGERS REPORT – Cheri F. Grumbine

A.) 2016 Preliminary Budget Presentation

Mgr Grumbine provided a power point presentation of the 2016 Proposed Budget. Each category was explained along with prior Budget numbers available for comparison. Copies of the Proposed Budget were available for anyone who wished to review the information. The Proposed Budget shows no increase in millage for the year 2016 and will remain at 1.71 mills. This year the Kimmerlings Rd paving project was the largest paving project completed in the Twp. Mgr Grumbine commended the Highway crew for accomplishing this monumental task. For 2016 another large paving project is being proposed which would be Jay Street from State Rte 72 N east to Sandhill Road. This is also a large paving project that will be costly. Copies of the 2016 Proposed Budget will be available in the Twp office for public review. The Board will be asked to approve the 2016 Proposed Budget tonight and give final approval at their December 21st meeting for adoption.

<u>MOTION</u> was made and seconded to approve the 2016 Preliminary Budget for North Lebanon Township. Motion unanimously carried.

B.) Municibid Items (2)

The Twp had placed 2 items on Municibid for sale. Bids were received as follows:

- 1. 1996 Trac Vac bid of \$500 received.
- 2. 2001 Leaf Vac bid of \$560 received.

Mgr Grumbine stated that we had hoped for \$600 for the Leaf Vac but felt \$560 was close enough. The Board is being asked to approve these 2 bids on Municibid offered by the same person.

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the bids received on Municibid for the 2001 Leaf Vac @ \$560 and the 1996 Trac Vac @ \$500. Motion unanimously carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Sol Frederick Wolf, Henry & Beaver

A.) Misc Ord Updates

Sol Wolf reported another meeting will be held, which will include Chf Easter, to finalize the remaining Ordinance updates.

B.) Refinancing of Authority Debt

The Municipal Authority had approved the refinancing of the sewer and water debt at their last meeting. The refinancing will pay off the current Bonds by Bank loans. Because the financing is now a loan, the Authority will then be able to pay additional amounts on the principal.

C.) Moravian Manor – Res #19-2015

Another item discussed at the last Municipal Authority meeting had been the Moravian Manor request for the Authority to act as a conduit for Moravian Manor's financing. Sol Wolf explained the Authority has acted as the conduit for Moravian several times in the past 15 to 20 years. There is no financial obligation for the Authority or the Township when agreeing to this request. The Authority will receive a fee for agreeing to this request. As part of the process the Supervisors are asked to adopt Resolution 19-2015 approving the Municipal Authority acting as a conduit.

Suv Miller asked how many times the Authority has done this for Moravian Manor. Sol Wolf ventured a guess of maybe 10 times through the years since Moravian Manor first opened their doors. Sol Wolf repeated that in all the years the Authority has acted as Moravian's conduit, the Authority has never been asked for any financial responsibility and neither has the Township.

MOTION was made and seconded to adopt Resolution 19-2015 authorizing the Municipal Authority acting as conduit for Moravian Manor. Motion unanimously carried.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

A.) Suv Dick Miller

Suv Miller said he would like to echo Scott Wartluft's remarks about the Kimmerlings Rd paving project and the fine job the Highway crew did.

Suv Miller mentioned the George Gettler family and everything they have experienced from the time of George's diagnosis of cancer, through his passing and that they are still currently dealing with. In regards to that situation he would like to read a letter written by Barry Kendall Ass't Chief for Rural Security Fire Co. Mr. Kendall refers to the fact that he has served as a volunteer member for fire or emergency services for almost 40 years. Due to all the recent events with the George Gettler family he no longer feels he can serve for a government that creates and passes laws and then does nothing to support or follow the laws they had created. He referenced SWIF and the Act 46 law regarding Fire Fighters and cancer diagnosis. The fact that SWIF continues to dismiss the Gettler family after George has served in a volunteer status for the majority of his life, saddens Mr. Kendall to the point that he can no longer continue to serve. Thus his letter of resignation is tendered effective January of 2016, when his current appointment expires.

Suv Miller expressed his dissatisfaction with this whole situation and the total disregard the State and SWIF has shown the Gettler family. He does not understand the Twp being charged large financial premiums by SWIF, who in turn does not provide the services they are being asked to provide. Suv Miller stated he is not happy about this resignation letter from Barry Kendall and the Township will suffer the consequences of SWIF's indifference.

B.) Suv Bruce Sattazahn

Suv Sattazahn mentioned that Suv Brensinger is absent due to his attendance at a PSATS function. He would like to repeat Scott Wartluft's remarks about the intersection at N 7th St and Kimmerlings Rd. The whole intersection is so much better for motorist's visuals when traveling through the intersection.

<u>COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS</u> (con't)

Suv Sattazahn extended his thanks to Mgr Grumbine and all Twp staff for compiling the 2016 Budget and in particular holding the millage at the same rate as 2015. Sharing in the process, he realizes how difficult the budget planning can be.

With no more business to discuss, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Theresa L. George Recording Secretary