

Minutes
North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority
April 9, 2015

The meeting of the North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, April 9, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the North Lebanon Township Municipal Building, 725 Kimmerlings Road, Lebanon, PA with the following Board members present:

Wynanne Demler	Chairperson
Gary Heisey	Vice Chairperson
Brian Hartman	Secretary
Susan Switzer Pierce	Assistant Secretary
Tod Dissinger	Treasurer
Frederick Wolf	Solicitor
Scott Rights	Steckbeck Engineering
Sheila Wartluft	Assistant Manager

Also in attendance were Cheri F. Grumbine, Township Manager; Amy Leonard, Attorney; Mike Kneasel, Wastewater Foreman; and four guests.

The meeting was called to order and the pledge to the flag was recited.

Comments from the Public

Michael Rothermel, 2075 Weavertown Road, stated he was in attendance to discuss the increase in the Municipal Tax to which the reply was he would need to attend the Board of Supervisors' meeting to address that issue. He then asked about the water debt service to which Solicitor Wolf replied they are working on paying down the bond. Question was asked about the water lines and if the City of Lebanon maintains the water lines to which Sol. Wolf replied the City of Lebanon maintains the water and we maintain the sewer lines. Mr. Rothermel was questioning the difference in costs from the City of Lebanon. Discussion followed.

Chairperson Demler asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes or a motion to approve the March minutes.

MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve the March minutes. Motion carried.

Chairperson Demler asked for a motion to approve the invoices and requisitions for payment all subject to audit.

MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve invoices and requisitions for payment all subject to audit. Motion approved.

SOLICITORS REPORT

Rockwood

Sol. Wolf reported we finalized out with H₂O, and we are working on finalizing things with PENNVEST. Scott explained that PENNVEST does not normally pay for right of ways or land acquisitions. He mentioned there was approximately \$15,000 that was not covered by H₂O of which we are responsible for 12% and Swatara is responsible for 88%. He also said we have some further costs for pipes behind Kreider's farm with approximately \$2,500 being out of pocket.

Sol. Wolf mentioned Sheila provided Swatara with the amount taken out of their escrow account so that they will know how much to send to us to replenish the account when the payment to PENNVEST is due.

Sol. Wolf stated that Scott is working with the issue at the pump station. Scott explained that the check valves are not closing all the way. He said Envirep did come to look at it. He explained that the air release valve is fine, and it is the check valve which is the problem. He said Envirep reported they had seen this before and their suggestion was to keep the valve closed. Scott said he put together a draft letter thanking them for coming out and requesting that whatever they come up with we get it at no cost other than normal wear. He mentioned they have a warranty for five years. Discussion followed. Scott explained that the contractor will want to close out the contract. Question was asked how this whole issue came about to which Mike replied it actually lost prime. Scott said it is working now and the valve not being open won't hurt the pumps. Mike explained we would receive a call stating it is high heat but it won't burn the pump up. Sol. Wolf expressed that we need a solution so we can close out with the contractor. Discussion continued. Scott explained he did let Envirep know that this is the direction the Board wants to go.

MOTION: Motion was made and seconded that we send out the letter to Envirep regarding the Rockwood pump station for covering us for the air release valve and check valve. With no further discussion, motion carried.

Sol. Wolf mentioned there is one property owner who has not made their second tapping fee payment, and Sheila is working with them. He reported that regarding Ream he has not made either his March or April payment. He said there was a question regarding the restoration. Sol. Wolf said they are still working on the Burke connection. Scott spoke with Mr. Heck regarding re-signing another easement agreement with the change in

ownership of the Burke property. This issue will be discussed in Executive Session.

On Lot Sewage

Attorney Leonard reported that of the three properties which had not complied two are bank owned and the third one has been completed. Sol. Wolf suggested we send a notice with a copy of the ordinance to the banks. The Board was in agreement to proceed with the notice.

Northeast Swim Club

Scott explained the prospective buyer wanted to subdivide into eight lots. The buyer wants to run a camera to find where the laterals are located. The buyer may need to dig trenches in the road it will be costly and he doesn't know if he wants to go to that expense. Scott reported he called him and asked him what he is planning to do and the reply was the company who will do the camera work is backed up. Scott explained that most of these companies are backlogged.

Tod asked what is required to go ahead with a project like that to which Sheila replied normally at least a \$5,000 escrow is requested from a developer. Sheila explained that they had asked him for \$500 and then we will bill him for any additional costs. Brian asked if any tapping fees had ever been paid. Sheila explained that everything is on our rate resolution.

Hotel

Sol. Wolf reported he had been approached about placing a hotel on Route 422 across from the Dairy Queen, and it would be similar to the Holiday Inn Express. He said they wanted to know what the tapping fees may be. Their numbers were based on the other hotel. Our EDUs are based on the City's chart and they came back and said the fees were too high and they may not be pursuing it further.

Litigation Issues

Sol. Wolf said these would be covered in Executive Session.

Engineer's report

HACM Inc. Subdivision Plan

Scott showed the Board the French plan which presently does not include a dwelling. There is nothing for the Board to do at this time. He states a letter is needed stating there is no sewer.

MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to approve the HACM Inc.

subdivision plan. With no further discussion, motion carried.

Assistant Manager's report

Dollar General Store

Sheila reported there is a standard EDU agreement for the Dollar General Store and they are purchasing one EDU. They paid and Wynanne signed it.

Godshall's

Sheila stated Jerry from Godshall's came in and asked for his usage numbers which were extremely high. They went back and looked at it, and they found there was an issue with their new computer program which wasn't working correctly. He was thankful we found the high usage. He came back today and asked for more EDUs. Sheila explained that there is available capacity, and she mentioned we may want to take a look at another quarter or so before we make a decision. Discussion followed. Decision was made by the Board to wait another quarter and see what the numbers are. Sheila said she would contact Jerry regarding the Board's decision to wait another quarter to see what the consumption shows.

Wastewater Foreman Report

Mike showed the Board the pipe from the Orange Street Pump Station. He said that was replaced and they had been hoping to install the pumps this week but the weather did not cooperate. He said he is hoping to get one of the pumps in next Monday. Gary asked when the next pumping at his property was scheduled and that he was getting close. He said it may be helpful to coordinate the two. Mike replied Tom has the schedule.

Question was asked about the water leak on East Lehman Street to which Mike replied he didn't know anything about that. To the question about what is happening with the issue of grinding on East Lehman Street, Scott replied they are waiting for a mobilization timeframe. He said there have been discussions going on before final authorization. He said at this point it is on hold. Discussion followed regarding some of the other places in the Township where there is a problem and the possibility of doing the work at the same time. Mike explained where the lines were on Sandhill Road and the fact that there are water lines and gas lines that run in that area as well as the sewer line. He said he has also been looking at Laurel Street where there is a bend, and he is looking at products that might work. Discussion continued. Scott explained how sometimes when you open things up it changes the dynamics.

Wynanne asked what is happening with UGI with the switchover to gas at the 8th Avenue pump station to which Scott replied you need to get a certification after the switchover is completed to make sure the oxygen to fuel ratio meets a certain criteria. He reported Gorman Rupp wants to bring in someone from Ohio but Envirep wants to try to find someone local to do it to decrease the costs.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 8:21 p.m

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Bertin
Recording Secretary