MINUTES NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOVEMBER 5, 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. Hawkins	Chairperson
Edward A. Brensinger	
Kenneth C. Artz	Treasurer
Cheri F. Grumbine	Township Manager

Also in attendance was Kathy Hackleman from the Lebanon Daily, Roger Sands of the Patriot News and many other individuals. The meeting was called to order and the pledge to the flag was done.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

A.) Paul Schwab – Hunters Chase Lane

Mr. Schwab mentioned he had read about the Appeals Board for property maintenance in the newspaper. He also read that a \$500.00 fee is attached to the application and this is a non-refundable fee. Schwab asked the Board how they are able to do that. If an appeal is won by a property owner he thinks the fee should be returned to the person. The Board clarified that this is an Ordinance violation, not a Zoning issue. Schwab stated he is aware of that. Suv Brensinger explained the Solicitor is involved and the Solicitor does not offer his services for free. There are costs for the Township involved. Schwab said it does not seem right to him. Suv Hawkins asked if he really wants his tax dollars to pay for another property owner's battle if that person is deemed to be in violation of the Twp Ordinances. He was asked if he feels someone was cited for invalid reasons, as of this date. Schwab said no, he did not, but he feels \$500 is an excessive amount. Mgr Grumbine stated the Solicitor and the Code Enforcement Officer suggested this amount to the Board to cover any and all expenses incurred by the Township.

B.) Martin Barondick – New Street

Mr. Barondick asked about the progress of the 2008 Budget for the Township. He was told the Budget is currently being worked on. His next remark was about the situation with E.I. T. and the problems that the situation has made for all the local municipalities. Barondick asked if the taxes will have to be raised this year to cover for lack of revenue we should be receiving from the missing money from E.I. T collections. He was told by Suv Artz the situation does not look too good for this year. More discussion took place about the E.I.T. situation.

Mr. Barondick next commented on the dugouts being constructed at the baseball filed located at Lions Lake Park. He stated that permits are necessary even for recreational areas. The lack of a permit was not his objection. He said he objects to the dugouts being placed there at all. In his opinion all sports should be placed after education and he does not see this happening. Suv Artz explained the recreation areas are improved with funds from developers who are charged "Fees in Lieu Of" during the subdivision process. These fees may be used for recreation only. No other improvements within the Twp may benefit from these funds. Barondick repeated his dissatisfaction with the dugouts being constructed.

C.) Bruce Sattazahn – W Maple Street

Mr. Sattazahn said he had only a few remarks to make about the E.I.T. situation. He wanted clarify that what he had read in the paper was accurate regarding the way funds were disbursed from E.I.T. He read that some municipalities were over compensated and some were undercompensated with revenues. His question was about the accounting methods used which would show how the funds were disbursed.

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Bruce Sattazahn – W Maple Street (con't)

Conversation followed about the lack of information available to the municipalities regarding any of the previous services provided by the E.I.T. Suv Hawkins stated that we, as well as the other municipalities, are at the mercy of this investigation.

Mr. Sattazahn said he wanted to tell the Board that he is very happy about the fact that the former Boger property located on W Maple Street has been prepared for public auction. Part of the preparation is that the property cleanup that has been done. He told the Board the property has never looked so good.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made and seconded to approve the minutes from October 15, 2007. Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL PAYROLL and PAYMENT OF INVOICES

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

TOWNSHIP MANAGERS REPORT - Cheri F. Grumbine

A.) Resolution No. 27-2007 – Street Name Changes

Mgr Grumbine told the Board that during a research of some older records we found 2 street name changes which were approved during the 90's but no formal Resolution was ever adopted. The documentation is needed for the Clerk of Court's Office and the Liquid Fuels map. Resolution 27-2007 is being presented to the Board documenting these 2 name changes.

- 1. Orange Street to Orange Lane
- 2. Church Road to <u>St Jacob's Drive</u>

The Board is being asked to adopt Resolution 27-2007 so a permanent record is recorded at the courthouse. A copy of the recorded Resolution will also be sent to the Twp's Liquid fuels representative in order to have the map corrected with the revised names for these 2 streets.

MOTION was made and seconded to adopt Resolution 27-2007 documenting the street name changes for Orange Lane and St Jacob's Drive. Unanimously carried.

B.) Humane Society Contract

Chf Easter has provided us with a copy of the proposed contract with the Humane Society for the handling of stray dogs from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008. The figure of 46 stray dogs for last year was confirmed by Chf Easter. The amount of the proposed contract for the 07/08 year is \$2070 vs the contract for the 06/07 year of \$2250.

 $\underline{\text{MOTION}}$ was made and seconded to enter into the agreement with the Humane Society for the 07/08 year. Unanimously carried.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

A.) Suv Artz – Leb Rails Business Park

Suv Artz mentioned that the groundbreaking for the proposed SABVI, located in the Lebanon Rails Park, had taken place today.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa L. George Recording Secretary