

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2015  
OF THE MT. LEBANON COMMISSION**

The Commission of Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania, held a Regular Meeting at 8:00 P.M., on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, at the Municipal Building, 710 Washington Road. President John Bendel called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Manager Stephen M. Feller called the roll. Present were Commissioners Dave Brumfield, Steve Silverman, Kelly Fraasch, and John Bendel. Commissioner Kristen Linfante was not present due to an excused absence. Also present were Finance Director Andrew McCreery, Police Chief McDonough, Acting Public Works Director Sukal, Recreation Director Donnellan, Inspections Officer Berkley, Planning Officer McGill, Assistant to the Manager Cross, and Public Information Officer Morgans. Also present were Phil Weis of the solicitor's office and Dan Deiseroth of the engineer's office.

**COMMISSION/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Feller stated that prior to the meeting, the Commission met in executive session to discuss assessment appeals, open meetings, a lease and collective bargaining issues with the solicitor. The next adjourned meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2015.

Mr. Bendel stated that the beginning of the meeting will be dedicated to summarizing what transpired in the discussion session held prior to this meeting, as well as recognizing members of the community. He stated that the Commission discussed the field sign policy, deer management, pesticide notification, private streets and the potential of holding discussion session meetings on two separate Saturdays.

**JUNIOR COMMISSIONER HALEY SILVERMAN COMMENTS**

Haley Silverman introduced herself. She spoke about the high school construction project, various programs at the high school and athletic events.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Mr. Bendel explained that citizen comments is for Mt. Lebanon residents and Mt. Lebanon taxpayers to comment. A separate sign-in sheet was prepared for non-residents, and the Commission will dedicate 30 minutes at the end of the meeting to hear comments from non-residents.

Andrew Baram of 648 Ridgefield Avenue spoke in support of the Pay as You Throw (PAYT) program.

Jason Margolis of 142 Morrison Drive spoke about assessments, artificial turf and deer management. He is opposed to trapping deer.

Elaine Gillen of 735 Vallevista Avenue spoke against deer culling. She also submitted an online petition containing signatures from those who are against deer culling.

Nick Meduho of 101 Castle Shannon Boulevard asked several questions about deer trapping and deer management.

Lourdes Castellanos of 962 Summer Place spoke in support of deer culling.

Barbara Sollenberger of 120 Newburn spoke against the use of guns to kill deer.

Bill Hoon of 456 Coolidge Avenue spoke against deer culling, stating that drivers are the problem, not deer.

Stacey Chick of 177 Sleepy Hollow Road spoke against deer culling, stating that it was unsafe and inhumane.

Nancy Elbaum of 201 Pennsylvania Boulevard spoke against deer culling, stating that humans should coexist with the deer.

Patricia Lemish of 461 S. Meadowcroft Avenue spoke against deer culling.

William Lemish of 461 S. Meadowcroft Avenue spoke against deer culling.

Aenne Barchowsky of 134 Inglewood Drive spoke in support of deer culling.

Jim Scheuermann of 121 Longuevue Drive commended the commission for taking action to manage the deer.

Paul Girdany of 479 Haverhill Drive spoke against the use of guns to kill deer, believing it was a safety risk to residents.

Michalina Pendzich of 121 Longuevue Drive spoke in support of deer culling.

Jeanne Hoeft of 986 Summer Place spoke in support of deer management.

Wesley Smith of 380 Avon Drive spoke in support of deer management.

Jay Brinton of 344 Tampa Avenue spoke against deer culling.

Rob Wolfe of 130 James Place spoke against using a corral to trap deer, stating that more humane options are available.

Margaret Hooton of 350 Jefferson Drive gave the history of deer management in Mt. Lebanon. She also spoke in support of culling.

Bruce Yoch of 230 Broadmoor Avenue spoke against corralling deer.

James Cannon of 1306 Craigview Drive stated that the deer management program was unsafe.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE  
ADJOURNED MEETING HELD JANUARY 26, 2015**

Mr. Silverman moved and Mr. Brumfield seconded to approve the minutes. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE (BILL NO. 2-15)  
AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE  
OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE NORTH GARAGE**

Mr. Brumfield said this Ordinance will amend an existing lease so that the tenant can relinquish part of its space.

Ordinance (Bill No. 2-15) was introduced.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-4-15 CONCERNING A COMMUNITY  
INFRASTRUCTURE AND TOURISM FUND (CITF) GRANT APPLICATION**

Ms. Fraasch said this is a standard resolution accepting CITF funds totaling \$125,000 for the Beverly Road Streetscape Improvement project.

Ms. Fraasch moved and Mr. Brumfield seconded to adopt Resolution No. R-4-15. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-5-15  
CONCERNING THE 2014 BOND ISSUE**

Mr. Silverman said Mt. Lebanon issued bonds in 2014 for various projects. One of the proposed uses of the proceeds was to repair the municipal building façade. Bond counsel advises that the Resolution needs to be adopted to clarify the intent.

Mr. Silverman moved and Mr. Brumfield seconded to adopt Resolution No. R-5-15. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION TO INSTALL THREE STOP SIGNS AT THE  
INTERSECTION OF NEULON, MCCANN PLACE AND PARKER DRIVE**

Ms. Fraasch said this difficult intersection is not currently controlled with traffic signage. The Traffic Board and Engineer recommend the installation of three stop signs, controlling traffic on the minor (feeder) streets where they intersect with Parker. Two of the signs will be on the Neulon side and one at McCann.

Ms. Fraasch moved and Mr. Brumfield seconded to approve the recommendations of the Traffic Board to install three stop signs at this intersection. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION TO INSTALL STOP SIGNS ON VALLEYVIEW AT ELM  
SPRING, COUCH FARM AT ELM SPRING AND LARCHMONT AT OSAGE**

Mr. Brumfield said there is currently no traffic control at the Valleyview Road and Elm Spring Road intersection or at the Larchmont Road and Osage Road intersection. The Couch Farm Road approach to Elm Spring Road is currently yield-controlled. Gateway conducted a site visit at each of these intersections to assess the need for traffic.

Based on the field investigation, the Traffic Board and Engineer recommend the installation of stop signs at the following locations:

- On the Larchmont Road (presumed minor street) approach to Osage Road
- On the Elm Spring Road (presumed minor street) approach to Valleyview Road

In addition to these stop signs, they also recommend replacing the yield sign on the Couch Farm Road approach to Elm Spring Road with a stop sign. At each of these locations, sight distance looking left and right is limited due to vegetation and/or roadway curvature as a vehicle approaches the intersection.

Mr. Brumfield moved and Ms. Fraasch seconded to approve the recommendations of the Traffic Board regarding installation of stop signs. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE RELEASE OF FINANCIAL SECURITY POSTED  
FOR THE PNC BANK AT VIRGINIA MANOR LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Mr. Silverman said PNC Bank has requested the release of financial security posted for the private improvements installed related to the project. The municipal engineer has performed a field inspection of the site and is recommending approval of the release.

Mr. Silverman moved and Mr. Brumfield seconded to release the financial security posted for private improvements for the PNC Bank at Virginia Manor land development plan in the amount of \$157,699.74. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE RELEASE OF FINANCIAL SECURITY  
POSTED FOR THE SPRINGHILL SUITES LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Mr. Brumfield field said Kratsa Properties has requested the release of financial security posted for the private and public improvements installed for the development of their hotel project located on Washington Road. The site has been inspected by the municipal engineer. The engineer recommends that 100% of security for private improvements be released.

The engineer also recommends that the security for public improvements for Parse Way and the maintenance bond (15% of \$64,104 or \$9,615) totaling \$47,855 be retained for the required 18 month maintenance period. The total reduction recommended would be from \$162,402 to \$47,855 for a reduction of \$114,547.

Mr. Brumfield moved and Ms. Fraasch seconded to release the security posted for the private improvements and retain \$47,855 from the posted security for the public improvements until the items identified in the Gateway Engineers review letter dated February 5, 2015 are completed and the required 18 month maintenance period has expired. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE MT. LEBANON  
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING PHASE 2 FAÇADE REPAIRS**

Ms. Fraasch said five bids were received on January 23, 2015 for the Mt. Lebanon Public Safety Building Phase 2 Façade Repairs Project which involves miscellaneous repair and cleaning of the entire façade at the Mt. Lebanon Public Safety Building. Add alternate bid #1 included reinstalling head flashing over masonry façade openings. Add alternate #2 included installing new flashing along the generator screenwall. Add alternate #3 included relining the exterior gutters along the Shady Avenue and Washington Road elevations.

The bids are:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Base Bid</b>	<b>Add Alternate #1</b>	<b>Add Alternate #2</b>	<b>Add Alternate #3</b>
Mariani and Richards, Inc.	\$91,323.00	\$5,750.00	\$20,000.00	\$62,720.00
Wilson Restoration, Inc.	\$115,063.00	\$6,225.00	\$20,000.00	\$75,479.00
Graciano Corporation	\$139,650.00	\$11,690.00	\$27,900.00	\$20,840.00
Allegheny Restoration, Inc.	\$141,500.00	\$22,750.00	\$15,000.00	\$27,600.00
Arch Masonry, Inc.	\$482,953.00	\$7,700.00	\$15,000.00	\$16,400.00

Arch Masonry, Inc. was the apparent low bidder at the time of the bid opening. Tabulation of their bid found errors, which when corrected, indicated that they were not the low bidder.

The low bidder has completed similar work for Mt. Lebanon in the past in a satisfactory manner and the Municipal Engineer recommends the award. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$162,000.

Ms. Fraasch moved and Mr. Brumfield seconded to award the Base Bid, and Add Alternates #1 and #2, for the Mt. Lebanon Public Safety Building Phase 2 Façade Repairs Contract to Mariani and Richards, Inc., in the amount of \$117,073. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD  
FOR THE BACKWATER VALVE MAINTENANCE**

Mr. Silverman said one bid was received on January 30, 2015 for the backwater valve maintenance. This contract is used to maintain the sanitary sewer backwater valves at various locations in the Municipality.

The project includes a provision for renewal for a second, third, and fourth year at the Municipality's discretion.

The Municipal Engineer has verified the bid as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mongiovi & Son Excavating, Inc.	\$14,500	\$15,100	\$15,100	\$15,700	\$60,400

The low bidder has completed this contract for the Municipality for the past several years in a satisfactory manner. The Municipal Engineer recommends award to the low bidder.

The project is included in the sanitary sewer fund.

Mr. Silverman moved and Ms. Fraasch seconded to award the backwater maintenance valve contract to Mongiovi & Son Excavating, Inc., in the amount of \$14,500. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD OF  
THE 2015 SANITARY SEWER LINING CONTRACT**

Mr. Brumfield said bids were received on January 30, 2015 for sanitary sewer lining. This contract is used to make repairs to the sanitary sewer system as they are identified in the calendar year through investigative work. Lining is used as a means to rehabilitate portions of the sanitary sewer system without excavation.

The contract included a base year, 2015, with two optional renewal periods. This allows the contract to be extended, at Mt. Lebanon's sole discretion until 2017.

The Municipal Engineer has verified the bids as follows:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>2015 Base Bid</b>	<b>First Renewal Period - 2016</b>	<b>Second Renewal Period - 2017</b>
Insight Pipe Contracting	\$807,350.00	\$847,717.50	\$888,085.00
Jet Jack, Inc.	\$817,900.00	\$842,437.00	\$858,795.00

The contractor has completed the lining contract in Mt. Lebanon previously in a satisfactory manner. The Engineer's estimate for the project was \$857,292.50, and the Engineer recommends that the project be awarded to the low bidder.

Mr. Brumfield moved and Mr. Silverman seconded to award the sanitary sewer lining contract to Insight Pipe Contracting in the amount of \$807,350. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE MT. LEBANON  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING SOUTH ELEVATION FAÇADE REPAIRS**

Ms. Fraasch said five bids were received on January 23, 2015 for Municipal Building South Elevation Façade Repairs. This project involves repairing the bulging brick and steel lintels above the second floor windows along the south façade elevation.

Add alternate #1 includes the removal of existing steel lintel and replacement in lieu of cleaning. Add alternate #2 includes removing existing terra cotta backup wall and replacement with new CMU masonry wall.

The Municipal Engineer has verified the bid as follows:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Base Bid</b>	<b>Add Alternate #1</b>	<b>Add Alternate #2</b>
Arch Masonry, Inc.	\$76,700	\$1,750	\$3,500
Graciano Corporation	\$97,130	\$5,180	\$3,300
Mariani & Richards, Inc.	\$97,600	\$1,400	\$5,000
Wilson Restoration	\$116,726	\$770	\$7,500
Liokareas Construction Co.	\$143,000	\$350	\$5,000
Allegheny Restoration, Inc.	\$145,125	\$4,375	\$16,500

The low bidder has completed similar work in the past in a satisfactory manner and the Municipal Engineer recommends the award. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$120,000.

Ms. Fraasch moved and Mr. Silverman seconded to award the Base Bid for the Municipal Building South Elevation Façade Repairs contract to Arch Masonry, Inc., in the amount of \$76,700, and authorize award of Add Alternate #1 at \$1,750 and Add Alternate #2 at \$3,500, if required. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF  
THE STORM SEWER POINT REPAIR CONTRACT**

Mr. Silverman said bids were received on January 30, 2015 for Storm Sewer Point Repairs. This contract is used to make repairs in the storm sewer system as they are identified in the calendar year through investigative work or emergency situations.

The bid includes over 66 items which could be used in such work, and as such, the total contract value is overstated in the amount of work that will be completed in any calendar year. To address this issue, the contract documents clearly state that there is no guarantee as to the amount of work issued by the Municipality.

The contract included base year 2015 with two optional renewal periods. This would allow the contract to extend at Mt. Lebanon's discretion.

The summary of bids are as follows:

Contractor	2015 Base Bid	First Renewal Period – 2016	Second Renewal Period – 2017
A. Merante Contracting, Inc.	\$610,550	5%	7%
Niando Construction, Inc.	\$615,390	8%	10%
Liokareas Construction Company	\$932,450	4%	4%
Independent Enterprises, Inc.	\$1,109,065	5%	6%

The low bidder has completed other projects for the Municipality, including the 2011 Capital Stormwater Projects, and is currently working on the Altoona-Mapleton project.

Mr. Silverman moved and Ms. Fraasch seconded to award the storm sewer point repair contract to A. Merante Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$610,550. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE THREE POLICE VEHICLES**

Mr. Brumfield said the police department has asked to purchase three Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicles. Two of these vehicles will be assigned to the patrol unit and one will be utilized by the traffic unit. The vehicles were bid through the South Hills Area Council of Government (SHACOG) joint purchasing program as follows:

2015 Ford Police Interceptor Utility - Patrol

Woltz & Wind	Day	Tri Star	Whitmoyer
\$30,017.00	\$30,201.00	\$30,340.00	\$30,575.00

2015 Ford Police Interceptor Utility – Traffic

Woltz & Wind	Day	Tri Star	Whitmoyer
\$30,137.00	\$30,308.00	\$30,520.00	\$30,725.00

Woltz & Wind Ford was the low bidder. The purchase price for the three vehicles totals \$90,171. There are adequate funds in the operating budget for this purchase.

Mr. Brumfield moved and Mr. Silverman seconded to award the bids for the three vehicles through the SHACOG joint purchasing program to Woltz & Wind Ford, at a total price of \$90,171. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS OF OTHER COMMUNITIES**

Mr. Bendel asked for non-residents' comments.

Mary Ruth Aul of 130 Idlewood Road in Penn Hills spoke against trapping and killing deer.

Brian Bonsteel of 1307 Towne Court in Allison Park stated that he volunteers for the humane society, and suggested that there were other choices available to control deer.

Carol Marraccini of 112 Lincoln Road in Jefferson Hills was opposed to killing deer. She asked that the Commission reverse its decision and coexist with the deer.

Vince and Nancy Smith of 1426 Orr Drive in Castle Shannon stated that corralling deer was inhumane. They asked that other more humane means be used to control the deer.

Kim Chicchi of 1700 Patrick Place in South Park stated that other options were available to control deer.

Deborah Urmann of 419 Parker Street in Shaler Township stated that she is a humane society police officer, and it's her job to help and protect animals. She asked the Commission to reconsider the culling program.

Rochelle Landis of 4300 Ludwick Street in Squirrel Hill spoke against culling.

Randy Santucci stated that he is the president of a sportsmen's organization, and he said that all avenues should be exhausted before culling is considered. He spoke about the use of archery, stating that there has never been any safety issues or incidents with this process since archers shoot down at the animals from a tree stand.

Ms. Fraasch asked the commission to reconsider the culling program. Mr. Brumfield, Mr. Silverman and Mr. Bendel stated that deer management has been discussed over a long period of time, and they supported the program.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.