

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2018  
OF THE MT. LEBANON COMMISSION**

The Commission of Mt. Lebanon Pennsylvania held a Regular Meeting at 8:00 P.M., on Wednesday, September 12, 2018, at the Municipal Building. Commission President Steve Silverman called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Manager McGill called the roll. Present were Commissioners Kelly Fraasch, Craig Grella, Steve McLean, and Steve Silverman. Commissioner John Bendel was not present. Also present were Assistant Manager McMeans, Police Chief Lauth, Fire Chief Soyhda, Public Works Director Sukal, Finance Director McCreery, Inspections Officer Berkley, and Public Information Officer Morgans. Also present were Phil Weis of the solicitor's office and Dan Deiseroth of the engineer's office.

Mr. Silverman stated that item 5 regarding traffic board and parking tickets appeal procedures was being removed from the agenda.

**COMMISSION/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Manager McGill summarized the information that was reviewed during the discussion session, including review of the solid waste and recycling bids, review of procedures for appealing parking tickets, review of requirements for sanitary sewer lateral inspections, amending the stormwater management ordinance, and review of the 2015 International Fire Code.

Manager McGill stated that prior to the meeting, the Commission met in executive session to discuss an appointment to the Parks Advisory Board and receive legal advice from the solicitor on various legal issues. The next adjourned Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 24, 2018, at 8 p.m. The discussion session will also begin at approximately 6:30 p.m. in Room C. There will be a change procedurally with this discussion session. There will be two items, with the first part occurring in Room C to discuss the in-pavement lights at the crosswalk on Washington Road that are no longer functioning, and a second item that will be heard in Commission Chambers where a presentation will take place concerning the June 20 storm event. Residents who contacted the municipality after that event with concerns will be invited to hear the presentation. Mr. McGill noted that the engineers will present recommendations for issues they discovered during their investigations.

Mr. McLean commended residents for using good judgment in negotiating last week's storms. He noted that it is hurricane season, so if possible, stay off roads during heavy rain, indicating that only six inches of water can disable a vehicle. Remember, turn around, don't drown. He stated that there will be a story in the upcoming Mt. Lebanon Magazine about the storm. He also stated that the Serve2Cure tennis tournament will be held on Saturday, September 15, at 7:30 a.m. He also reminded residents about the change in recycling rules for 2019, stating that information regarding same was on the Mt. Lebanon website. He also stated that the Artists' Market was scheduled for September 22 and 23 at the Academy Avenue parking lot, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will also be an after party on Saturday, September 22, from 6-9 p.m. with a band and adult beverage sampling. He stated that admission is free, and all events are sponsored by the Mt. Lebanon Partnership.

**JUNIOR COMMISSIONER AOIFE RUBY DUNNE COMMENTS**

Ms. Dunne introduced herself and thanked the Commission for the opportunity to be the fall semester Junior Commissioner. She stated that she's a senior at the high school. She noted that she moved to Mt. Lebanon a few years ago, and previous to that, she lived in China for three years, and prior to that, she lived in Europe and Australia. She stated that she competes in track and field, is an active member of Model One, a human rights club, and other activities. She noted that she has a strong interest in politics, which is one of the reasons why she applied for the Junior Commissioner position. She stated that there aren't any major issues at the school. She spoke about the hiring of full-time School Resource Officer Henley, which she noted the students appreciate the fact that the same officer is at the school, and it's reinforcing to know that Officer Henley is there to talk to about any issues or concerns students may have.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Bill Hoon of 456 Coolidge Avenue said that there is not a deer problem in the community. He inquired as to when the deer management program would end. He stated that when he sees a deer, he sees hope.

Regis Bonner of 223 Academy Avenue inquired about the ordinance change regarding refuse collection for apartment buildings.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES FROM  
THE ADJOURNED MEETING HELD AUGUST 27, 2018**

Mr. Grella moved and Ms. Fraasch seconded to approve the minutes. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE (BILL NO. 8-18) AMENDING THE MT.  
LEBANON CODE, CHAPTER IV, PART 4, FIRE CODE, AND  
ADOPTING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE 2015 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE**

Ms. Fraasch said Mt. Lebanon has enforced a fire code since 1994. Recently, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania updated the statewide building codes. The proposed ordinance implements these updates by amending Mt. Lebanon's Fire Code in accordance with the 2015 International Fire Code.

In addition, certain provisions in the 2015 International Fire Code that are enforced by Mt. Lebanon were not adopted in the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code. These local provisions are retained, and deal with the minimum regulations governing the conditions, maintenance, operations and other physical aspects of all existing property, existing buildings and structures, and existing building systems.

Ordinance (Bill No. 8-18) was introduced.

**CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING**

Mr. Grella said on July 11, 2018, the South Hills Area Council of Governments opened bids for solid waste collection disposal and recycling. Three bids were received from Republic Allied Services, Waste Management, and Westmoreland Sanitary. The number of options presented precludes presenting bid tabulation on the side wall. Bid options for municipal solid waste and recycling included weekly, bi-weekly and monthly, traditional and automated services. The Municipality must enter into a five-year contract with one of the providers before September 24, 2018. The contract term will commence on January 1, 2019, and run through December 31, 2023.

Mr. Silverman stated that the Commission discussed this issue during the discussion session meeting, and there was not a defined consensus on which direction to go. He stated that two Commissioners favor weekly recycling collection, and two Commissioners favor bi-weekly collection. Because we need to make a decision on this matter, there will be a special meeting scheduled where Commissioner Bendel will attend so that there are five members voting.

**CONSIDERATION OF AN APPOINTMENT TO FILL AN  
UNEXPIRED TERM ON THE PARKS ADVISORY BOARD**

Ms. Fraasch moved and Mr. Grella seconded to appoint Albert Presto of Cedar Boulevard to fill an unexpired term ending March 31, 2020. The vote was called. The vote carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.