

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING APRIL 14, 2020 OF THE MT. LEBANON COMMISSION

The Commission of Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania, held a virtually-run Regular Meeting at 8:00 P.M., on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, due to the coronavirus pandemic. Commission President Craig Grella called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Manager McGill called the roll. Present were Commissioners Andrew Flynn, Leeann Foster, Mindy Ranney, Steve Silverman, and Craig Grella. Also present were Assistant Manager/Planner McMeans, Finance Director McCreery, Public Works Director Sukal, Recreation Director Donnellan, I.T. Manager Schalles, Business District Manager Milliron, Library Director Vittek, and Public Information Officer Pace-Lilley. Also present were Phil Weis of the solicitor's office and Dan Deiseroth of the engineer's office.

COMMISSION/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Manager McGill summarized the information that was reviewed during the discussion session, including updates on municipal services and what's closed and what's opened, heard a presentation about digital services and resources at the Mt. Lebanon Library, discussed Neighborhood Aid, and reviewed the 2020 municipal projects and discussed the Ella/Chalmers stormwater plan.

Manager McGill stated that prior to this meeting, the Commission met remotely in executive session to receive legal advice from the solicitor on various legal issues. He stated that the next adjourned meeting is scheduled to be held remotely on Wednesday, April 29, 2020, at 8 p.m. with the discussion session meeting starting at approximately 6:30 p.m. in Room C. The meeting was originally moved from Tuesday to Wednesday, due to the Pennsylvania primary election that was scheduled for April 28. The primary has been moved to Tuesday, June 2 because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Ms. Ranney said yesterday, the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon and Borough of Dormont launched Neighborhood Aid, a helpline for residents of both towns. To get help, call 412-253-4104 or go to neighborhoodaid.org. You will be connected with a customer service representative who is versed in the vast array of available services, including help with obtaining food and medication, business resources and general information. Volunteers also are available for errands for those who cannot or should not leave their homes to get urgently needed supplies.

The service is free, although residents are expected to pay for any purchases requested. The service will be continued as long as the need is there. Thanks to everyone who helped get this project started with me, especially State Rep. Dan Miller, Mt. Lebanon Commission President Craig Grella, Mt. Lebanon I.T. Director Nick Schalles, Mt. Lebanon Commercial Districts Manager Eric Milliron, and Public Information Officer Laura Lilley. Special thanks to our partners in Dormont who are working with us on this effort.

Waste Management is limiting its pickups to essential services during the COVID-19 emergency. Specifically, they are not picking up yard waste, bulky items or recycling left outside the recycling bin. They will ONLY pick up trash in tightly sealed trash bags, preferably INSIDE the trash can and recycling left loose INSIDE the recycling bin. Additionally, the electronics and paper shredding drop-off recycling events are cancelled for this month. HOWEVER, the woody waste drop-off events have been EXPANDED to every Saturday, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the municipal golf course until further notice. They accept leaves and garden residue in recyclable

Kraft bags, small twigs, shrubs, brush and branches smaller than three feet. NO grass clippings, stones, soil, stumps, large limbs or plastic bags.

Get all the updates on closures, resources, tips and other information at our official municipal COVID-19 webpage: mtlebanon.org/corona.

Ms. Foster recognized Commissioner Ranney's work on the Neighborhood Aid project.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Ms. Foster read the Proclamation, recognizing National Library Week.

JUNIOR COMMISSIONER EMMA CHOTHANI COMMENTS

Mr. Grella read the following comments from Ms. Chothani, which she submitted via email:

There isn't much for me to share given the current situation, but I'll share a few words! The given COVID-19 crisis has been a stressor for many students and families in the district. Young adults are afraid to go to Giant Eagle or to step outside their doors. Online school is a challenge. Students are easily distracted and miss the social aspect of the learning environment. Additionally, teachers struggle with assigning the appropriate amount of work or adapting to the new system. The new AP tests are another stressor for students and teachers at the high school as it's hard for us to predict exactly what the test will be like and how smoothly the technology will work. The new school system is a great change for everyone to say the least. As a senior, I can speak on behalf of this population to say we are quite upset by the situation. All of us recognize the importance of social distancing and the fact that there are many people in the world who have it worse than us, but we still feel bits of grief for our little losses. Mini-THON was cancelled, spring sports were cancelled, and Governor Wolf's recent directive closed all schools until the end of the year. We are all still crossing our fingers that they will postpone and not cancel prom and graduation. I think some sort of community initiative to encourage students to exercise and read would be quite beneficial for the health of our children and young adults. It seems like most students are doing homework and then watching TV or playing video games, which offers no break from screens.

I hope all of you are safe and healthy. If you have any questions feel free to email me at emma@chothani.com.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

John and Judy Vogel of 808 Chalmers Place said that they are in favor of plans to remediate flooding in backyards on homes facing Ella Street and Chalmers Place. The situation has been worsening over the years to the point that whenever there is a heavy rain, practically a stream forms along the Chalmers/Ella boundary.

Mr. Vogel stated that he cannot make the meeting on April 14 because of a work concern, but they truly appreciate the efforts of Commissioner Flynn, Manager McGill and Engineer Deiseroth to address this issue and hopefully reach a solution. He has expressed his willingness

to have workmen on his property and have a line dug through his property if that will alleviate flooding for his neighbors.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE
THE ADJOURNED MEETING HELD MARCH 24, 2020**

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

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE ADJUSTMENT TO FINANCIAL
SECURITY POSTED FOR THE BEYOND SELF STORAGE PROJECT**

Ms. Ranney said Northpoint Development has requested a full release of the financial securities posted for improvements installed for the Beyond Self Storage development at 512 Castle Shannon Boulevard by email. The request has been reviewed and verified by the Municipal Engineer, who found that all work was completed as per the plan with the exception of parking lot lighting. The Engineer is recommending approval of the full release of the amenities bond in the amount of \$292,680 and recommending the municipality hold the cash deposit of \$29,268 until the lighting issue is satisfied.

Ms. Ranney moved and Mr. Flynn seconded to release the full amenities bond for the Beyond Self Storage development, in the amount of \$292,680, and hold the cash deposit of \$29,268 until the lighting issue identified by the Engineer is satisfied. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE
HOODRIDGE DRIVE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS**

Ms. Foster said bids were received on March 18, 2020 for the above reference project. The project involves intersection improvements at Hoodridge Drive and Rockwood Avenue including site preparation; removal of the existing curb and sidewalk; installation of concrete sidewalks, ADA ramps, and concrete curb; removal and replacement of the existing roadway; signage; traffic control; and all associated restoration, complete in place.

The Municipal Engineer has verified the bids as follows:

Baiano Construction, Inc.	\$67,220.00
Cilenti Construction Co., Inc.	\$74,145.00
Michael Facchiano Contracting, Inc.	\$79,578.00
Costa Contracting, Inc.	\$87,855.00
Niando Construction, Inc.	\$88,163.00
Independent Enterprises, Inc.	\$89,025.00
A. Folino Construction, Inc.	\$89,898.00
C.H. & D. Enterprises, Inc.	\$98,588.00

The Municipal Engineer has reviewed the bids and determined the low bid to be accurate. The Engineer recommends the project be awarded to Baiano Construction, Inc. The contractor has completed similar work for the Municipality in a satisfactory manner.

The budgeted construction amount for this contract is approximately \$70,000. The project is to be funded through the General Fund.

Ms. Foster moved and Mr. Silverman seconded to award the Hoodridge Drive Intersection Improvements to Baiano Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$67,220. They also wanted to recognize former Commissioner McLean for his efforts on this matter. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR THE 2020 STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM

Mr. Flynn said one sealed bid was received on March 30, 2020 for Contractual Street Sweeping as follows:

Street Sweeping Program	2020
Ike Construction	\$35,000.00 + \$425.00/response (30 Bus. Dist. Responses) \$47,750.00
Three Complete Sweeps of Streets & Highways in the Municipality and 30 Business District Responses	

The bid was advertised in the Post-Gazette, and specifications were mailed to six contractors. The low bidder has provided similar services in the municipality. \$48,000 has been appropriated in the 2020 operating budget. The Director of Public Works recommends the award of the contract to Ike Construction.

Mr. Flynn moved and Ms. Ranney seconded to award the 2020 Street Sweeping Program contract for a total of \$47,750 to Ike Construction. This contract provides three complete sweeps and 30 business district sweeps. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD OF
THE 2020 STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

Mr. Silverman said bids were received on March 18, 2020 for the 2020 Street Maintenance contract. The project includes roto-milling of existing pavement and resurfacing with bituminous materials to various depths on streets throughout the Municipality.

Streets included in the base bid package were as follows:

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| Anawanda Avenue | Parkside Avenue to Broadmoor Drive |
| Coolidge Avenue | Oak Way to Shady Drive West |
| Country Club Drive | Sleepy Hollow Road to Summit Drive |
| Forestview Drive | Oakwood Drive to Municipal Line |
| Inglewood Drive | Seneca Drive to 164 Inglewood Drive |
| North Meadowcroft Avenue | McMonagle Road to Greenlawn Drive |
| Overlook Drive | Akron Avenue to Beverly Road |
| Shady Drive West | Mapleton Drive to Coolidge Avenue |
| Sleepy Hollow Road | Dead End to Fruithurst Drive |

The following streets are being considered as alternates for street maintenance:

Lakemont Drive (Alt. No. 1)	Gladds Drive to Kurt Drive
Newburn Drive (Alt. No. 2)	N. Meadowcroft Ave. to Ridgefield Drive
Salem Drive (Alt. No. 3)	Bower Hill Road to Chalmers Place

The Municipal Engineer has verified the bids as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alt. Bid No. 1	Alt. Bid No. 2	Alt. Bid No. 3	Total
A.Folino Construction, Inc.	\$372,700.00	\$32,317.00	\$34,600.00	\$25,908.00	\$465,525.00
Mele & Mele & Sons, Inc.	\$391,360.00	\$33,787.00	\$38,572.00	\$26,862.00	\$490,581.00
El Grande Industries, Inc.	\$412,746.00	\$35,185.60	\$39,457.00	\$27,495.60	\$514,884.20
Youngblood Paving, Inc.	\$412,978.10	\$35,600.45	\$38,153.70	\$28,006.20	\$514,738.45
T.A. Robinson Asphalt Paving, Inc.	\$460,707.00	\$41,333.00	\$43,283.00	\$32,558.00	\$577,881.00
Michael Facchiano Contracting, Inc.	\$556,810.00	\$47,359.00	\$56,957.50	\$37,634.00	\$698,760.50

The Municipal Engineer has reviewed the bids and determined the low bid to be accurate. The Engineer recommends the base bid project be awarded to A. Folino Construction, Inc. The contractor has completed similar work in Mt. Lebanon and other communities in a satisfactory manner.

The budgeted amount for this contract is \$348,600 and the Engineer’s estimate for the program was \$333,528. In discussion with the Finance Director, additional funds are available within the liquid fuels account due to the mild winter and need for salt being reduced from previous years. The project will be funded through the transportation portion of the Operating Budget.

Mr. Silverman moved and Ms. Ranney seconded to award the 2020 Base Bid Street Maintenance Contract to A. Folino Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$372,700. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD OF
THE 2020 ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM**

Ms. Ranney said bids were received on March 18, 2020 for the 2020 Road Reconstruction Project contract.

Streets included in the bid package were as follows:

Firwood Drive	1225 Firwood Drive to 1145 Firwood Drive
Helen Drive	Holly Lane to 1739 Theodan Drive
Hemlock Street	Hazel Avenue to 15 Hemlock Street
Parker Drive	Overlook Drive to Hillcrest Place
Pinewood Drive	1217 Pinewood Drive to 1155 Pinewood Drive
Rocklynn Place	Washington Road to 30 Rocklynn Place
Sandrae Drive	Pat Haven Drive to Payton Drive
Summer Place	Austin Avenue to Greenhurst Drive
Whitmore Street	Kewanna Avenue to Vermont Avenue

The following streets are being considered as alternates for reconstruction:

Arden Road
Corace Drive

Beverly Road to North Meadowcroft Avenue
Bower Hill Road to Cul-de-Sac

The bids were received and verified as follows:

	Niando Construction, Inc.	A.Merante Contracting, Inc.	A.Folino Construction, Inc.
Total Base Bid	\$ 1,853,038.30	\$2,398,246.00	\$2,841,691.80
Total of Alternate Bids	\$ 619,968.70	\$785,493.25	\$929,564.48
Total	\$ 2,473,007.00	\$3,183,739.25	\$3,771,256.28

The bid documents allow for the award of any combination of base and alternate bids. The engineer recommends the award as listed in the Recommended Action with the totals as follows:

	Niando Construction, Inc.	A.Merante Contracting, Inc.	A.Folino Construction, Inc.
Total Base Bid	\$1,721,001.80	\$2,270,756.00	\$2,709,580.60
Total of Alternate Bids Awarded	\$368,899.70	\$460,217.00	\$560,639.97
Contract Total	\$2,089,901.50	\$2,730,973.00	\$3,270,220.57

The recommended streets will be funded through various sources as follows:

Item Description	Bid Amount	Eng. Estimate	Budget
Capital Improvement (Streets)	\$ 1,362,966.50	\$ 1,492,000.00	\$ 1,525,000.00
Stormwater Fund (Curbs)	\$ 592,705.00	\$ 559,400.00	\$ 575,000.00
Stormwater Fund (Stormwater)	\$ 134,230.00	\$ 182,900.00	\$ 182,900.00
Total	\$ 2,089,901.50	\$ 2,234,300.00	\$ 2,282,900.00

Niando Construction, Inc., has successfully completed the reconstruction project in the past and the Municipal Engineer recommends this award.

Ms. Ranney moved and Mr. Flynn seconded to award the base bid for the following: Firwood Drive, Helen Drive, Hemlock Drive, Parker Drive, Pinewood Drive, Rocklynn Place, Sandrae Drive, Summer Place, Whitmore Street, and Alternate bids for Firwood Wearing Course, Helen Wearing Course, Hemlock Wearing Course, Parker Wearing Course, Pinewood Wearing Course, Rocklynn Drainage, Rocklynn Wearing Course, Sandrae Drainage, Sandrae Wearing Course, Summer Wearing Course, Whitmore Wearing Course, Arden Road, Arden Road Drainage, and Arden Wearing Course to Niando Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$2,089,901.50. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Ms. Foster said bids were received on February 26, 2020 for the Mt. Lebanon Backwater Valve Maintenance Contract – Rebid. This contract is used to clean, repair, and maintain backwater valves that have been installed on private sanitary sewer house laterals by the Municipality. The Municipality has the right to renew this Contract on a yearly basis until 2023.

The bid includes maintenance items at a per each unit basis, and bids were submitted by two contractors and verified by the Municipal Engineer as follows:

Contractor Name	Base Bid	2021 Renewal	2022 Renewal	2023 Renewal
Roto Rooter Services Company	\$ 14,135.00	\$ 16,725.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 17,915.00
Mongiovi & Sons Plumbing	\$ 18,045.00	\$ 22,491.00	\$ 24,553.00	\$ 24,553.00

The Municipal Engineer has reviewed the bids and determined the low bid to be accurate. The Engineer recommends the project be awarded to Roto-Rooter Services Company. The contractor has successfully completed similar work in other municipalities in a satisfactory manner.

The amount of work issued under the contract will be paid for from the General Sanitary and Storm Sewer Accounts.

Ms. Foster moved and Mr. Silverman seconded to award the Backwater Valve Maintenance Contract to Roto-Rooter Services Company in the Base Bid Contract Amount of \$14,135 with the option for additional years at the Municipality’s discretion per the terms of the contract documents. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION TO EXECUTE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OPTION WITH
CARGILL INC., TO SUPPLY ROCK SALT FOR THE 2020-2021 WINTER SEASON**

Mr. Flynn said in 2019 bids for rock salt were solicited through the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance and Cargill Inc., submitted the winning bid. Mt. Lebanon entered into a contract with Cargill which allows for two, one- year extension options. Cargill Inc., has agreed to execute the first one-year extension which will decrease the cost per ton from \$82.24 for the winter of 2019/2020 to \$79.30 for the upcoming winter of 2020 / 2021, a decrease of \$2.94 per ton or 3.5%.

Mr. Flynn moved and Ms. Foster seconded to execute a one-year extension option with Cargill Inc., to supply rock salt for the 2020 / 2021 winter season at an initial cost of \$79.30 per ton delivered. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Grella closed the meeting thanking everyone for their support and effort during this difficult time. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.