

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING JUNE 9, 2020  
OF THE MT. LEBANON COMMISSION**

The Commission of Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania, held a virtually-run Regular Meeting at approximately 9:35 P.M., on Tuesday, June 9, 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, Fire Chief Sohyda, Police Chief Lauth, 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.

Mr. Grella said the horrific and unconscionable deaths of Breonna Taylor and Ahmaud Arbery and most recently George Floyd highlight that our country is still living with systemic discrimination and unjust racial disparities that simply cannot continue.

In Mt. Lebanon, we will not be silent during this time of great grief. We stand with the Black and Brown community, with our minds and ears open. We commit ourselves to fighting ignorance, embracing inclusivity and always striving to do better. And, as we feel angry, we also feel hopeful that we can and will be part of the solution.

We are renewing Mt. Lebanon's pledge to participate in positive change. We will examine not only what we do but how we do it to ensure the safety and security of the entire Black and Brown community, including our residents, business owners and guests, and to take proactive steps to address and eliminate racial injustice.

We affirm that racism and hate have no home here.

**COMMISSION/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Manager McGill summarized the information that was reviewed during the discussion session, including reopening information and municipal actions and efforts to support our business districts, an overview of the sewer lining process, review of the Bird Park stream restoration project, and heard Commission liaison activities with various boards and authorities.

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 Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at 8 p.m. with the discussion session meeting starting remotely at approximately 6:30 p.m., and executive session starting remotely at approximately 6 p.m.

Ms. Ranney said the Mt. Lebanon Recreation Department continues to carefully open its facilities, after much thought and attention to safety. OPEN facilities include: the Mt. Lebanon Golf Course, the Mt. Lebanon Tennis Center, platform tennis, all municipal and school athletic fields, sport courts, batting cages and tracks. The outdoor fields and courts are open for independent and family use ONLY. The high school track and turf is being renovated and is closed until further notice.

Other CLOSED facilities include: playgrounds and the ice rink. Plans to open the ice rink are in the works.

The Swim Center will remain closed for the 2020 season.

OPEN facilities have new rules and procedures. To see the new rules and to keep up with all openings and closings, go to [mtlebanon.org/corona](http://mtlebanon.org/corona). You'll find an "OPEN" tab and a "CLOSURES AND CANCELLATIONS" tab to help you stay up to date.

The Mt. Lebanon Public Library building remains closed but staff will be restoring some services, including a materials' return day in the parking lot on June 15, the same day the library's Summer Reading Program starts. Contactless pickup will begin by appointment starting June 22. For complete details, go to [mtlebanonlibrary.org](http://mtlebanonlibrary.org).

Mt. Lebanon Public Works will have a free curbside wood waste pickup this Saturday, June 13. You must call 412-343-3403 for reservations by 4:30 p.m. **THIS** Thursday to be placed on the list. Guidelines for accepted materials are on the website at [mtlebanon.org](http://mtlebanon.org).

### **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

### **CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE THE ADJOURNED MEETING HELD MAY 26, 2020**

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

### **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-9-20 FOR A NON-REIMBURSABLE COST-SHARING AGREEMENT WITH PENNDOT TO REPLACE SANITARY MANHOLE FRAMES ALONG WASHINGTON ROAD**

Mr. Flynn said the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) has requested the Municipality to prepare and sign a Resolution and enter into a Non-Reimbursable Cost-Sharing Agreement to have its contractors adjust the sanitary manholes along Washington Road, during the upcoming PennDOT resurfacing program. The Municipality will provide new manhole frames and lids and PennDOT's contractors will perform the labor required to raise the manholes to grade. The Municipality will be responsible for the cost of the materials.

Mr. Flynn moved and Ms. Ranney seconded to adopt Resolution No. R-9-20 and enter into a Non-Reimbursable Cost-Sharing Agreement with PennDOT for manhole adjustments along Washington Road. The vote was called. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF PENSION BENEFITS**

Mr. Silverman said Mt. Lebanon sponsors three defined pension benefit plans for their employees: General Employees, Police and Firefighters. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of the Auditor General requires that all benefit commencements for the Police Pension Plan be approved by the Commission.

The employee detailed below has requested benefit commencement in accordance with the terms of his respective pension plan.

<b>Employee Name Title</b>	<b>Pension Plan Department</b>	<b>Benefit Start Date</b>
James Hughes Police Corporal	Police & Employees Police	06/01/20

Mr. Silverman moved and Ms. Foster seconded to approve benefit commencement for James Hughes. 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 9:50 p.m.