

**North Cornwall Township
General Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2018**

Call to Order:

The September 4, 2018 meeting of the North Cornwall Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Mr. Wahmann at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

In attendance were Supervisors Michael Wahmann, Chairman, Michael Deitzler, Vice-Chairman, Samuel Abram, Jr., Treasurer, Thomas J. Long, Sr., Township Manager, and Tom Harlan of Henry & Beaver Law Firm.

Others in attendance are listed on the attached sign-in sheet.

Executive Session:

On August 21, 2018 an Executive Session was held to discuss legal matters. No decisions were made. On August 23, 2018 an Executive Session was held with a Healthcare Representative to discuss alternatives for the Township healthcare plans. Mr. Wahmann and Mr. Abram attended. No decisions were made.

Public Comment:

Mr. Hilbert asked if the Township road crew could be more proactive with overgrown branches on the roadways. Mr. Long stated the Township policy is to alert the property owner of the situation and allow them the opportunity to rectify the problem. Should the property owner be unresponsive, then the Township initiates a Notice of Violation letter. Public comment closed at 7:04PM.

Plan Briefing: None.

Township Engineer Report:

DISCUSSION: Rocky Village Compost requesting a Letter of Credit reduction. Mr. Sherk was not in attendance therefore Mr. Long presented a letter on behalf of Mr. Sherk, who recommends the reduction of the Letter of Credit, leaving an escrow balance of \$7,000.

ACTION: Mr. Wahmann moved for the Reduction for Rocky Village Compost Letter of Credit in the amount of \$83,913. Mr. Deitzler seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Dept. – None.

Zoning / Code / Planning Commission Report:

Mr. Abram stated the Planning Commission is still reviewing SALDO. The next meeting is September 26, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Township office.

Fire Dept:

DISCUSSION: Status Report on Engine 14. Mr. Lux reported it would be too costly to replace the unit. A committee was formed to investigate repair costs, and they have found a facility that will repair Engine 14 for a cost estimate of \$10,000 to \$15,000. Mr. Lux asks the Board to help fund the repair to Engine 14.

ACTION: Mr. Wahmann moved for North Cornwall Township to give Neversink a check in the amount of \$10,000 to help cover the cost of the repair to Engine 14. Mr. Abram seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS

Park & Recreation:

Mr. Long stated the Rec Board meetings will commence again beginning September 17th. He also reminded the Board of the Lebanon County Cross Country event on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at Gloninger Woods Park

and Dairy Road fields. The event will run from approximately 8:00AM though 3:00PM. The Township intends to open the concession stand for the event.

Highway/Recycling: None.

Sanitary Sewer/MS4 Stormwater: None.

ADMINISTRATION

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Abram motioned to approve the minutes from the August 21, 2018 meeting as written. Mr. Deitzler seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Manager's Report:

DISCUSSION: Mr. Long presented the new Township Newsletter for approval and to approve the printing bid. The Newsletter will be released twice a year and contain education relating to Stormwater and property maintenance for residents.

ACTION: Mr. Wahmann moved to authorize to print the Autumn Edition of the Newsletter. Mr. Deitzler seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Mr. Long shared the yearly Lebanon County Agricultural Land Preservation program letter with the Board.

Mr. Long discussed the Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority expansion meeting letter. The DEP will hold a meeting at the North Lebanon Township office on September 26, 2018 to discuss the expansion project with all Lebanon County municipal officials, and to give an opportunity for questions and/or comments.

Mr. Long shared a letter from George Christianson asking for a review of the Township permit fees. His client feels the fees are excessive.

Mr. Long shared an email from Julie Garrett of InGroup regarding the Township application to Highmark for a health insurance quote. Highmark declined as they feel our group is too small.

Mr. Long presented an email from Tom Richey of Blackford Development. The issue at hand is the fee in lieu of recreation lands at Springwood. Mr. Richey will address it at the next Springwood partners meeting.

DISCUSSION: The PA Department of Revenue wants to collect Lebanon County Earned Income Taxes as per initiative HB29, which is endorsed by the PA House of Representatives. The Board expressed opposition to any legislative initiatives to consolidate EIT services.

ACTION: Mr. Abram motioned to adopt R2018-12, titled Opposition to Legislative Initiatives to Mandate Centralized Services. Mr. Deitzler seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Mr. Long presented the new digital FEMA mapping of flood areas. The new maps are much easier to read and interpret. The printed version of the new map is displayed on the meeting room wall, where Mr. Long indicated the pink areas on the map are new additions, the green area is a reduction of flooding, and the blue areas were there previously. Property owners must be notified of the changes to the flood map. There is an educational meeting September 17th at 2:00PM to be held at the Courthouse, to which Mr. Wahmann indicated he wished to attend.

Lastly, Mr. Long stated that he has the 2019 Budget Drafts ready to discuss at the next Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. Wahmann stated he wants to go through the Budget in its entirety at the September Mid-Month meeting.

Treasurer’s Report/Fund Balance Report:

Mr. Abram presented the Treasurer’s report. The Board reviewed receipts, expenditures, and fund balances as listed on the agenda. Mr. Wahmann motioned to approve the Treasurer’s report. Mr. Deitzler seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

New Business:

DISCUSSION: The Board of Supervisors asked if there was any public comment regarding Ordinance #306, and there was none. The Ordinance is amending existing Ordinance #273 regarding no parking areas in the Township. Ordinance #306 will allow for street sweeping enforcement.

ACTION: Mr. Wahmann moved to adopt Ordinance #306. Mr. Abram seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Old Business: None.

Solicitor’s Report:

Mr. Harlan stated he is not ready to pass on the Nolt situation, stating the Nolts need to provide more information.

Supervisor’s Report: None.

Additional Public Comment: None.

Adjournment:

Mr. Wahmann motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Deitzer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:39PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Thomas J. Long, Sr.
Township Manager
TL/jt