

LANCASTER INTER-MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR LIMC MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time: November 14, 2012, 7:30 am

Place: Mountville Borough

Attendance:

Columbia Borough:	Norm Meiskey
East Hempfield Township:	John Bingham, Bob Krimmel
East Lampeter Township:	Ralph Hutchison
East Petersburg Borough:	
Lancaster City:	James Reichenbach, Rick Gray
Lancaster Township:	Kathy Wasong, Bill Laudien
Manheim Township:	Albert Kling
Manor Township:	Al Kreider
Millersville Borough:	Ed Arnold, James Stager
Mountville Borough:	Francis Zimmer, Harry Morgan
West Hempfield Township:	Kent Gardner, Ron Youtz
West Lampeter Township:	DeeDee McGuire, Jim Kalenich
Others:	Roy Baldwin, McCormick Taylor; Eboni Bryant, LiveWELL Lancaster County; Michael LaSala, LIMC

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Wasong called the meeting to order at 7:32am and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Establish Quorum and Introduction of Guests:** Through roll call, eleven voting members were present and quorum was established for action and major action. All persons present introduced themselves.
3. **Minutes:** Mr. Zimmer moved, Mr. Bingham seconded the motion, and the minutes of the October 10, 2012 meeting were approved with one correction:
 - References to the Columbia Borough comments regarding borough kennels should indicate the idea is currently only a plan at this time.
4. **Public Comment:** There were no public comments.
5. **Reports and Actions**
 - A. **Treasurer's Report:** Mr. Arnold moved, Mr. Reichenbach seconded the motion, and the October 2012 treasurer's report was approved.
 - B. **2013 LIMC Program Plan:** Mr. LaSala provided a brief overview of the two budget options. The options are intended to represent the ends of the possible spectrum with option A contemplating reduced operations and option B contemplating continuing operations as is. A discussion ensued with the following points:
 - Manheim Township commissioners voted to support option A and reduced operations.

- Manheim Township would be interested in possibly reviewing a “buffet of services” budget as well.
- Inherent benefits of the LIMC where cost savings could only be speculated.
 - Only hard data is available for the UCC BOA that reveals each municipality participating in the regional board save almost \$1000 annually by administering the board jointly.
- The reduction in dues observed over the past few years was initially only to be a one year reduction.
- Mr. LaSala can meet with boards to provide additional information or answer questions if requested.
- The City of Lancaster supports option B.
- Savings are most likely realized with the completion of the Good Housekeeping manual.
- Relationships established with the DEP and EPA is an immeasurable benefit.
- East Lampeter Township supports option B.
- A “straw poll” revealed eight members present support option B.

Mayor Gray moved, Mr. Arnold seconded the motion, and the 2013 budget discussion will be tabled until the December 2012 LIMC meeting to allow municipalities a final review of options.

6. Executive Director’s Report: The following items were discussed from the November 2012 ED report:

- The Tetra Tech proposal work through the Clean Water Consortium is moving ahead via subcommittees. Mr. LaSala is a member of the Urban Stormwater subcommittee which includes Dan Zimmerman, Terry Kauffman, Mark Heister, Jay Snyder, and Mark Johnson.
- Most items such as the Municipal/Utility Work Exchange and the Fleet Contract are in a holding pattern until a decision is made regarding the 2013 budget.

7. Advisory Board Reports:

A. LUAB: LUAB’s November meeting was postponed due to an amended petition submitted for the only item scheduled for review. The item will be reviewed at the December LUAB meeting.

B. GPAB: A quorum could not be established at the November GPAB meeting. However, discussions ensued regarding future projects and roles of GPAB, the LCSWMA, and Lancaster County.

C. UCC BOA: The first appeal hearing convened in the eight year history of the regional board. However, the appellant withdrew the appeal during the hearing.

8. Municipal Exchange: Discussion and comments were made regarding the following items during the exchange:

- Mr. Bingham indicated the SRBC has indicated to the East Hempfield Township Water Authority they must reduce the amount withdrawn via the wells by 15%.
- Mayor Gray provided an update regarding improvements and construction at the Lancaster Train Station. It appears PennDOT will be charged with maintenance of the facility upon completion. Traffic patterns will need to be revised to allow buses access (Amtrak contracted with a firm that supplies 60’ buses, whereas current infrastructure only allows a maximum of 45’ buses).
- Mr. Meiskey indicated work on the Route 30 Bridge should be completed this week. This work will be followed by traffic signal construction off the Route 30 in Columbia.

Construction associated with the "Park Trail Services Building" will commence in early spring. The facility will also serve the NW Trail.

- Mr. Hutchison indicated traffic associated with Black Friday will probably be observed starting Thursday as most retail outlets along the Route 30 corridor will open Thanksgiving.

9. Old Business:

A. West Earl Township: Mr. LaSala provided a brief summary of communications between the West Earl Township manager and the LIMC regarding joining the group. Concerns were expressed, but felt it is appropriate to table the discussion until the 2013 budget is finalized.

B. Froelich Park Project update: Mr. LaSala provided a brief update of current contract documents associated with Froelich Park. Per recommendation, the Center for Watershed Protection requested an extension with NFWF for completion of the project. The request was based on contract limitations associated with plantings and the weather.

10. New Business:

A. Nominating Committee for 2013 Officers: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Gardner, and Mr. Arnold volunteered to form the Nominating Committee. Mr. LaSala will follow up via e-mail to organize a meeting or discussions for the committee.

B. Other: Ms. Bryant provided a brief description of the Community Transformation Grant and associated endeavors of the group.

11. Other Business:

A. Matter of Record

- a. The next regular LIMC monthly meeting will be held Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at 7:30am at Columbia Borough.

12. Adjournment: Chair Wasong adjourned the meeting at 8:34am.