

## LANCASTER INTER-MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR LIMC MONTHLY MEETING

**Date and Time:** February 13, 2013, 7:30AM

**Place:** West Hempfield Township

**Attendance:**

Columbia Borough: Leo Lutz

East Hempfield: John Bingham

East Lampeter Township: Ralph Hutchison; John Blowers

East Petersburg Borough:

Lancaster City: Rick Gray

Lancaster Township: Bill Laudien, Kathy Wasong

Manheim Township:

Manor Township: Al Kreider

Millersville Borough: Ed Arnold, Jim Stager

Mountville Borough: Frances Zimmer

West Hempfield Township: Ron Youtz; Kent Gardner

West Lampeter Township: DeeDee McGuire; James Kalenich

Others: Len Zvorsky, Worley & Obetz, Inc.; Roy Baldwin; Mike Kyle, LASA; Michael LaSala, Land Studies; Suzanne Teske, LIMC

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Wasong called the meeting to order at 7:31AM and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Establish Quorum and Introduction of Guests:** Through roll call, nine voting members were present and quorum was established for any action.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the January 9, 2013 meeting be approved; motion carried.
4. **Public Comment:** There were no public comments.
5. **Reports and Actions:**
  - A. **Treasurer's Report:** Salaries and Perma-Patch were the primary expenses. It was moved and seconded that the January 2013 treasurer's report be approved; unanimously accepted.
  - B. **Auditing Committee:** The report of the auditing was reviewed and it was moved and seconded to accept the report as presented; unanimously approved. Mr. LaSala recommended the LIMC purchase Quick Books to keep track of finances, which was moved, seconded and unanimously approved.

**6. Advisory Board Reports:**

**A. LUAB:** There has been no meeting on which to report.

**B. GPAB:** There has been no meeting on which to report.

- 7. Municipal Exchange:** There was discussion of proposed new building height and square footage restrictions as per County-Wide Communications. Mr. Arnold remarked that if we are forced to modify buildings, it would really put our collective backs against the wall. If zoning ordinances need to be changed, it should only be done as we grow. The County is looking into this now.

Manor Township reports that the first 1.5 miles of their rail trail had been installed and they hope to finish up by the end of July.

**8. Old Business**

**A. Worley & Obetz CNG R&D Update:** Len Zavorsky made a presentation on alternative fuels for fleet vehicles. At present, running vehicles on compressed natural gas is quite expensive with not enough customers to make it feasible for many. Converting vehicles to CNG is extremely costly and converted vehicles unfortunately have a 6-10% lesser range. No local companies do conversions; the closest is Reading. That means taking vehicles to Reading for maintenance. Mr. Zavorsky feels electric cars are more economically practical as they have a 45 mile range before switching over to gas (which must be high octane). Further, there are not nearly enough CNG fueling stations/infrastructure. LCSWMA is building one which they will make available to municipalities. There are some grants available for purchasing and/or converting vehicles and as a group, the LIMC would be a great candidate.

**B. Dues Structure:** Ms. Wasong reported the rumor that East Petersburg is going to withdraw from the LIMC in March. Everyone agreed that we must do more “messaging.” It is extremely important that we get the word to commissioners, supervisors, etc.; that we show them tangible examples of current and future value in remaining as members of the LIMC. Mr. Lutz suggested there be once- or twice-a-year reports that includes money saved as a result of being a partner in this organization. Mr. LaSala will prepare an annual report for 2012 similar to the previous year’s excellent report.

Mr. Arnold suggested using population to determine a municipality’s dues. After discussion, Mr. Blowers moved, Mr. Zimmer seconded, and the committee unanimously voted to keep the current formula for funding.

**C. Froehlich Park:** Bid packages will be sent out in the first part of March 2013. Two members were appointed to join the county committee and provide oversight on behalf of the LIMC: Kent Gardner and Jim Kalenich.

- 9. New Business:** Thank you letters were received from Mrs. Kinsey and the Hourglass Foundation for the contribution from the LIMC in memory of Neil Kinsey. We also received a response from the governor to our resolution on MS4 referencing Act 13

grants for which anyone can apply. The total available amount is \$15 million with a 15% match requirement.

**10. Other Business:**

- Mr. Gardner will attend the PA COG in State College on April 12, 2013. He noted that the September meeting will be here in Lancaster County.
- Mr. Gray reminded everyone that the new dog shelter (SPCA) is now accepting dogs.
- Mr. Bingham informed everyone of a webinar today on the PA budget presented by PSATS.

**A. Matter of Record:** The next regular LIMC monthly meeting will be held Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at 7:30 am at East Lampeter Township.

**11. Adjournment:** Chair Wasong adjourned the meeting at 9:00AM.