

LANCASTER INTER-MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR LIMC MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time: March 14, 2012, 7:30AM

Place: West Lampeter Township

Attendance:

Columbia Borough:	Leo Lutz
East Hempfield Township:	John Bingham, Mark Stivers
East Lampeter Township:	Ralph Hutchison, John Blowers
East Petersburg Borough:	John Wolf, Cathleen Panus, Robin Hemperly, Herbert Mattern, Jr.
Lancaster City:	
Lancaster Township:	Bill Laudien, Kathy Wasong
Manheim Township:	
Manor Township:	John May
Millersville Borough:	Ed Arnold
Mountville Borough:	
West Hempfield Township:	Kent Gardner, Ron Youtz
West Lampeter Township:	James Kalenich, DeeDee McGuire, Barry Hershey
Others:	Angela Trout, YWCA Lancaster; Mary Ross, YWCA Lancaster; Mary LeVasseur, LGH; Robert Porterfield, Pequea Township; Harry Lehman, Pequea Township; Bill Schall, Pequea Township; Jay Reynolds, Pequea Township; Roy Baldwin, McCormick Taylor; 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, nine voting members were present and quorum was established for action and major action. Due to the number of guests, including representatives from Pequea Township, introductions of all persons present was made.
3. **Minutes:** Mr. Gardner moved, Mr. Kalenich seconded the motion, and the minutes of the February 8, 2012 meeting were approved.
4. **Public Comment:** There were no public comments.
5. **Reports and Actions:**
 - A. **Treasurer's Report:** Mr. Gardner moved, Mr. Kalenich seconded, and the February 2012 treasurer's report was approved.
 - B. **2011 Auditing Committee Report:** Mr. May moved, Mr. Blowers seconded the motion, and the 2011 Auditing Committee Report was approved.

C. LIMC Facebook Page and Policy: Mr. Blowers moved, Mr. Gardner seconded the motion, and the LIMC Facebook Page Policy for an LIMC Facebook Page was approved.

D. 2011 LIMC Annual Report: It was decided to table the current version of the 2011 Annual Report for a new report to be presented in April 2012. It was indicated, based on recent discussions, more information should be added to the report.

E. Young Lungs at Play Municipal and State Resolutions: A discussion ensued regarding concerns and clarification of the two resolutions. One resolution was a municipal resolution template to adopt the Young Lungs at Play policy. If approved, the template would be sent to the individual member municipalities for their use to adopt, modify, or pass on the policy. The other resolution encourages the state to adopt the Young Lungs at Play policy. Primary points discussed are as follows:

- The policy is designed to discourage tobacco use at public parks and playgrounds.
- The policy is essentially an educational component.
- The policy is self-enforcing and would improve litter control.
- With respect to the state resolution, the decision to adopt to the policy should be reserved to the municipalities.
- Encouragement of the state is primarily with hope the state would adopt the policy for their own parks.
- Adoption should be made at the local level prior to encouraging the state to adopt the policy.
- Examples of the signs to be provided were shown.

Mr. Gardner moved, Mr. Bingham seconded the motion, and the Municipal Resolution Template was approved and the State Resolution was tabled for individual municipal discussion prior to re-review by the LIMC.

F. Implementation Option package 2012-1, GPAB Reviews: Mr. LaSala provided a brief overview of the package, including comments and modifications afforded by the Land Use Advisory Board (LUAB). A discussion ensued regarding a mandatory or optional review by GPAB for land development plans submitted for review by LUAB. Mr. Gardner moved, Mr. May seconded the motion, and Implementation Option Package 2012-1, GPAB Reviews was approved with the following modification: GPAB will be provided all land development plans for review submitted to LUAB for review.

G. NPDES Construction Site Runoff Control Workshop: Mr. LaSala provided a summary of the proposed workshop and corresponding proposal. Primary points discussed are as follows:

- The workshop was developed in conjunction with the Lancaster County Clean Water Consortium and Lancaster County Conservation District.
- A grant is available through the Workforce Investment Board to match attendee costs for the workshop. The workshop needs to be conducted before the end of June 2012 to receive the grant. Preliminary approval has been provided.
- The workshop will help fulfill the “qualified personnel” and contractor training requirements or recommendations for municipalities—specifically with Minimum Control Measure #4 of MS4 Permits.

- The workshop could become an annual event, and generate additional revenue for the LIMC.
- Per recommendations of Chair Wasong and Mr. Gardner, Continuing Education Credits (CEUs) will ultimately be incorporated into the workshop.

Mr. Gardner moved, Mr. Blowers seconded the motion, the NPDES Construction Site Runoff Control Workshop and corresponding proposal was approved.

H. “Day on the Hill:” Mr. LaSala provided a summary of meetings on March 6, 2012 with a select group of state Senators. Most discussions revolved around stormwater management funding. It was believed by the senators SB1261, which adds stormwater to the list of authority types within the MPC, will pass. There are certain persons who believe SB1261 will not provide enough coverage for a comprehensive program. A meeting is planned for the near future between the LIMC, an entity from the Pittsburgh area, an entity from the Philadelphia area, Senator Brubaker, Senator Smucker, Senator Erickson, and Senator White to discuss and possibly outline a mechanism for stormwater management funding that encompasses a comprehensive program.

I. Employment Agreement: Mr. LaSala dismissed himself during the discussion. The agreement was reviewed by the group. A motion was made and passed to hire Mr. LaSala as an employee of the LIMC, but the agreement shall be reviewed by the attorney that completed the Independent Contractor Agreement between the LIMC and Mr. LaSala prior to its execution.

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

- The LIMC will complete a presentation for the Hourglass Foundation at their May 2012 meeting.
- Reviews continue with the Lancaster County Conservation District (LCCD) and the potential gaps between the NPDES requirements for MCM #4 and the program administered by the LCCD per the DEP’s statewide program.
- Mr. LaSala is currently meeting municipal engineers, including Rettew and ELA, to help identify all items necessary for compliance with MS4 Permits.
- The next Road Masters Forum will be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2012 the Maple Grove Community Center.
- Any questions on items listed and not discussed, contact Mr. LaSala.

7. Advisory Board Reports:

A. LUAB: No comments were made.

B. GPAB: No comments were made.

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

- Mayor Lutz indicated he and Mr. Bingham attended another roundtable discussion with the DEP for a question and answer session. The group will continue to meet quarterly. It appears the sessions are becoming more fruitful.

9. Old Business

A. Animal Control: No comments.

B. Lancaster County Transportation Authority: Mr. Baldwin indicated the LCTA is “not dead yet.” The reimbursement agreement with PennDOT is three years in the making, but anticipate it to be signed and returned within the next 30 days. Along with the reimbursement agreement, two other issues requiring attention include the agreement between the county & LCTA and the agreements between the LCTA & consultants. It was indicated it was believed the county commissioners do want the county to become the authority or for the LCTA to become a county entity. It was agreed in principle that more discussions will follow.

C. Potential new LIMC members: Representatives from Pequea Township were in attendance as the township considers rejoining the LIMC. As for the potential new members from the northern side of the county, an idea was presented that the potential new members could remain a part of the LIMC in lieu of “splitting off” to form their own COG at a later time if they so choose to join. The northern group could become the “Northern Division of the LIMC” and operate as a separate COG, but still remain within the LIMC. Per Mr. Gardner’s comments, it was agreed in principle this would provide representation of over 50% of the population in the county through the LIMC and would add leverage to the LIMC. A larger group would also aid in managing watersheds with respect to stormwater management and MS4 Permits.

D. Comprehensive SWMP Initiative Update: This item was tabled for discussion.

10. New Business

A. Lower Susquehanna Center for Land and Water: A short discussion ensued regarding the center. The center focuses on providing a central “database” for initiatives and endeavors of its members—so as not to recreate the wheel or duplicate efforts. Current members include the Lancaster County Planning Commission and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. It was indicated membership is free. Mr. Blowers moved, Mr. Kalenich seconded the motion, and the LIMC joining the Lower Susquehanna Center for Land and Water was approved.

11. Other Business:

A. Matter of Record

a. The next regular LIMC monthly meeting will be held Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 7:30 am at East Lampeter Township.

B. Items of Interest

a. WORKSHOP: Cyber Security Essentials for Business and Government presented by HACC; Thursday, April 19, 2012, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm; Harrisburg, PA; registration fee: \$75/person; for additional information contact Jerry Ozog at 717-221-1329 or jeozog@hacc.edu.

b. **WORKSHOP: Conducting Effective Volunteer Background Checks** presented by HACC; Wednesday, March 28, 2012, 6:30 pm - 10:30 pm; Harrisburg, PA; registration fee: \$50/person; for additional information contact Jerry Ozog at 717-221-1329 or jeozog@hacc.edu.

12. Adjournment: Chair Wasong adjourned the meeting at 9:14 am.