

**LANCASTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
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**September 13, 2021**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, CALL TO ORDER, AND ROLL CALL**

The duly advertised Lancaster Township Board of Supervisors meeting was held on Monday, September 13, 2021, in the Lancaster Township Municipal Building, 1240 Maple Avenue, Lancaster, PA. The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Chair Benjamin H. Bamford. Vice Chair Iber Guerrero Lopez, Treasurer Steven P. Elliott, and Township Manager William M. Laudien were also present. Others in attendance included township staff and interested parties. Mr. Bamford led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

No public comments on agenda items.

**III. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The minutes of the August 9, 2021, board meeting were approved by general consent.

**IV. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Elliott presented the treasurer's report as of September 13, 2021:

General Fund.....	\$6,685,785.43
Highway Aid Fund.....	947,994.91
Capital Reserve Fund.....	<u>2,727,814.73</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>\$10,361,595.07</u>

Mr. Bamford stated the treasurer's report would be filed for audit.

**V. PAYMENT OF BILLS**

On a motion by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Guerrero Lopez, the board unanimously approved the payment of bills (August 10, 2021 thru September 13, 2021):

General Fund.....	\$413,005.25
Escrow Fund .....	7,862.21
State Highway Fund.....	11,178.34
Capital Reserve Fund.....	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>\$432,045.80</u>

**VI. REPORTS**

- A. Lafayette Fire Company (east side):  
August 2021: 8 calls in Lancaster Township
- B. Lancaster Township Fire Department (west side):  
August 2021: 40 calls in Lancaster Township; 14 calls for Mutual Aid; Year-to-date Total: 356
- C. Police Report:  
August 2021: 47 Criminal Reports; 349 Calls for Service; 34 Arrests; 34 Crash Investigations; 106 Traffic Citations; 15 Traffic Warnings; No Overdose Incidents

- D. Recycling Report: August 2021: 19.62%
- E. Sewer Reports: Available on the township website.

➤ Printed copies of all reports are available at the township office for a nominal fee and can be viewed/printed from the website.

### **WORKSHOP REPORTS**

The following departments presented updates to the board:

- Planning & Zoning
- Township Engineer
- Public Works
- Township Manager

### **VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Monday, October 4, 2021, 6:30PM—Historical Commission Meeting, 1240 Maple Avenue.
- B. Monday, October 4, 2021—Woody Waste facility hours change to 2:00PM to 6:00PM (Monday-Thursday). Saturday hours remain 8:00AM to 1:00PM.
- C. Saturday, October 9, 2021, 9:00AM to 11:00AM—Shredding event at the Maple Grove Community Park.
- D. Monday, October 18, 2021—Leaf collection on signed streets begins.
- E. Monday, October 11, 2021, 6:00PM—Board of Supervisors Meeting, 1240 Maple Avenue.

### **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

### **IX. PLANNING AND ZONING BUSINESS**

#### **A. LTPC 308 – 188 Waypoint Drive – Stormwater Management Site Plan**

Mr. Guerrero Lopez moved, Mr. Elliott seconded, and the board unanimously acknowledged receipt of a 90-day time extension from September 13, 2021, from James Sanchez, Sanchez & Associates, Inc., on behalf of Sam Bigler for the approval of the Stormwater Management Site Plan for 188 Waypoint Drive, LTPC 308. This extension was submitted in a letter dated September 2, 2021.

### **X. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. Awarding of new Refuse and Recyclable Materials Collection Contract**

Mr. Elliott moved, Mr. Guerrero Lopez seconded, and the board unanimously awarded the new refuse and recyclable materials collection contract to Noble Environmental, starting October 1, 2021, in the amount of \$172.80 per unit. The bid opening was held on Wednesday, September 1, 2021.

#### **B. Resolution 2021-10—Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Lancaster Township Pension Plan for Year 2022**

Mr. Guerrero Lopez moved, Mr. Elliott seconded, and the board unanimously adopted Resolution 2021-10 for the minimum municipal obligation to the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System in the amount of \$224,815 for the Lancaster Township Pension Plan for Year 2022.

**C. Resolution 2021-11—Disposition of Records**

Mr. Elliott moved, Mr. Guerrero Lopez seconded, and the board unanimously adopted Resolution 2021-11 authorizing the disposition of payroll, general financial, solid waste, and insurance policy records through December 31, 2013.

**D. Lancaster Township Fire Police--Event Assistance Request**

Mr. Guerrero Lopez moved, Mr. Elliott seconded, and the board unanimously approved a request for the Lancaster Township Fire Police to operate outside the Lancaster Township borders to provide traffic control assistance for the East Petersburg Community Day on Saturday, September 18, 2021. The request was made in a letter from the Northern Lancaster County Regional Police Department.

**E. Appointment to the Lancaster Township Historical Commission**

Mr. Elliott moved, Mr. Guerrero Lopez seconded, and the board unanimously approved a request to appoint the following two township residents to the Lancaster Township Historical Commission for a term of four years, with the terms expiring 12/31/2025: Thomas P. Larkin and Michael D. Witmer

**F. Blue/Green Corridor Discussion**

The board, along with the township manager, briefly discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), with appropriate Exhibits, for the Little Conestoga Creek Project. The board will look over the packet of information provided.

**G. Petition to Amend Lancaster Township Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map**

Mr. Guerrero Lopez moved, and Mr. Bamford seconded the acknowledgement of receipt of a petition received on September 8, 2021, from McNeese Wallace & Nurick, LLC, to amend the Lancaster Township Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map in connection with the proposed development of a correctional facility in Lancaster Township.

Mr. Guerrero Lopez read the following statement:

*I am voting to move this petition forward for the sake of moving the conversation forward. However, this should not be taken as an act of support, nor as an assumption of a yes vote for either the rezoning or text amendment. It is going to be the responsibility of the County to demonstrate, over the next 60-90 days, a genuine commitment to fundamental changes in the Lancaster County Prison system.*

*The Commissioners MUST show how the new facility contributes to positive impacts on key issues such as:*

- *Safety – including a commitment to sufficient staffing levels and staff training.*
- *Removing barriers that make it hard for individuals to turn their lives around by providing rehabilitative services such as job training, education, and access to public support services*
- *Health and mental support services including substance abuse assistance*
- *Examining and addressing the policies and practices, conscious or not, that contribute to racial inequity at every stage of the justice system.*

*And most importantly*

- *A commitment to social and racial justice and equity that extends beyond the physical structure of the prison to include the general public, community groups, District Attorney's office, the County Court system, the County detectives, and Sherriff's office.*

*The current prison was built in 1851 (10 years before the civil war). Its last renovation was in 1972 (almost 50 years ago). The building of this new facility provides a once-in-MANY-lifetimes opportunity for a fundamental change to how our community addresses these issues. This petition to rezone can only be considered after recognition of and total commitment to realizing that opportunity.*

Mr. Guerrero Lopez moved, and Mr. Bamford seconded referring the Petition to both the Lancaster County and the Lancaster Township Planning Commissions for their review and comment.

Mr. Elliott recused himself from all discussions related to the proposed development of a correctional facility.

#### **H. Termination of Inspection Agreement with West Lampeter Township**

Mr. Elliott moved, Mr. Guerrero Lopez seconded, and the board unanimously approved the termination of inspection agreement with West Lampeter Township as of August 31, 2021.

#### **XI. GUEST RECOGNITION AND PARTICIPATION**

- Ben Webber, Township Engineer/Historical Commission: *Recalling our Township's History*  
Mr. Webber gave a presentation on the old lock and dam system of the Conestoga River.
- Barry Brandt, Atkins Avenue: Thanked the supervisors and staff for clearing out all the weeds in the parking lot behind Atkins.
- Neil Ward, Vice President of Have a Heart for the Criminal Justice System: Wanted to bring to the attention of the supervisors the conditions of the current prison, including the shut down of programs. He feels if a new prison were built, it would help bring programs back, be a boom to the economy, and that Lancaster Township could help make a difference.

#### **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51PM.

Respectfully submitted,



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William M. Laudien, Secretary