

Central Lancaster County Council of Government
July 24, 2019 – 8:30 A.M. Manheim Township Municipal Building

The meeting of the Central Lancaster County Council of Government (CLCCOG) was called to order by Ralph Hutchison, Vice-Chair, at 8:33 a.m. In attendance: Al Kling (MT), Andrew Stern, (WHT), Cindy Schweitzer (EHT), Douglas Brubaker (EHT), Ethan Demme (ELT), Kent Gardner (WHT), Ralph Hutchison (ELT), and Tom O'Brien (MT).

Minutes of the May 22, 2019 Meeting

Ms. Schweitzer moved to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Mr. O'Brien. Motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Reports:

East Hempfield Township:

- Penn State will be building a hospital facility within the Township. The complex will include professional offices and retail and industrial spaces. The project will be located on land on both side of State Road and will include the widening and realignment of that roadway.
- The State Road bridge project has been delayed due to a permitting issue with Amtrak. The project is now behind by four months.
- They are still waiting on the environmental clearance on the plans for widening Centerville Road between Columbia and Marietta. This project includes bridge repair.
- They are working on ordinances addressing horse barns for transportation, temporary worker housing, bee keeping, and wireless facilities. They have begun inspections on B&P's.

East Lampeter Township:

- There will be a meeting on August 2nd to discuss a credit policy for the proposed Stormwater fee structure. Their solicitor is moving forward with crafting the necessary documentation to house the operation under their existing sewer authority. They hope to have the fee in place next year.
- The Lincoln Highway Streetscape Implementation project is continuing. The Township recently received two grants which will help finance the next big portion of the project near the entrance to Tanger Outlets. Work continues on the Rockvale trail portion of the project.
- The completion date for the County's Eden Road bridge project is anticipated to be in mid-October.

East Petersburg Borough – no representatives were present

Manheim Township:

- The Commissioners approved the Oregon Village Center Conditional Use Request. The project is moving into the land development phase.

- East Petersburg chose not to renew its contract with the Manheim Township Police Department.
- The Miller Road and Buch Avenue bridge replacement project should be completed by November.
- The start of the realignment project involving the intersections of Kissel Hill Road, Valley Road and Delp Road has been delayed. Completion date will be in the fall of 2019.

West Hempfield Township:

- Mountville Borough renewed their police contract with West Hempfield Township.
- They currently have nearly a thousand residential units in some stage of planning at the moment. This includes single family, apartments and townhouses.
- Americold is moving forward with their proposed high-tech, robotic cold storage facility. This will be approximately 150 feet tall.

Old Business:

Public Notices – Legal Advertising –Mr. Hutchinson shared a copy of an email and related documents he received from Central Penn Legal Journal. It was agreed Mr. Hutchison may invite Central Penn Business Journal to the next COG meeting to discuss a possible joint advertising agreement between CPBJ and multiple Lancaster County municipalities. The municipalities would agree to publish their public notices in the Journal for a period of time and the Journal would defend the municipalities in any lawsuit which may result. In the meantime, the COG members will reach out to LIMC to see if they would be willing to enter into such an agreement and invite them to also attend the next COG meeting.

New Business:

The new county-wide communication system is placing a hardship on volunteer firefighters who must purchase new pagers at a minimum cost of \$650.00. Some municipalities are helping to offset their volunteers' costs. WHT is adding a separate line item to their budget next year entitled "Unfunded County Mandates" to address such situations. There was discussion on coordinating efforts among municipalities, police and fire chiefs to have a representative present at County meetings and to bring the County's practice of unfunded mandates to the public's awareness.

Visitors and Public Comment – none

The next meeting of the COG will be at West Hempfield Township on Wednesday, September 25, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 a.m. by the consent of the group.

Submitted by:
Manheim Township