

Central Lancaster County Council of Government
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May 11, 2016 – 8:00 a.m. – Manheim Township Municipal Building

Roll Call: The meeting of the Central Lancaster County Council of Government was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at the Manheim Township Municipal Building. Members present were: Al Kling (MT), Sean Molchany (MT), Linda DiPerna (MT), Robert Krimmel (EHT), Cindy Schweitzer (EHT), Robin Hemperly (EP) and Todd Weiss (EP). Doug Brubaker (EHT) and John Bingham (EHT) arrived late, and Ian Hodge (MT) was absent. Mr. Krimmel welcomed everyone and said we have a quorum from Manheim Township, East Hempfield Township and East Petersburg Borough.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Mr. Molchany, seconded by Mr. Weiss, the minutes of the March 9, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

Old Business

Fire Companies: Mr. Molchany said the Fire Department arrangement is working out well. Manheim Township is hiring new part-timers through Civil Service. Five of six certified testers in the region will be joining a regional testing agency. This would not be needed if MTFR was all volunteer. The testing was just done two years ago. There are currently 22 part-timers; they fill in as needed with no set shifts. Mr. Kling stated that keeping staff is a challenge. Mr. Molchany explained that MTFR has acquired the Eden Station; we're in the process of doing the same thing with Southern Manheim Township. Neffsville is currently not interested. Eden is now called "MTFR Eden" and Southern Manheim Township is now called "MTFR Southern." Manheim Township acquired the assets, vehicles and buildings; they paid \$20,000 to clear Eden's debt, it will be about \$70,000 to clear Southern's debt. Mr. Kling stressed that the part of the fire tax that used to go to those two stations will now come to the Township. He stressed that the two fire companies approached the Township – the Township did not approach them. Mr. Weiss added that he serves on the Fire Consolidation Committee with East Hempfield and East Petersburg Borough and this is a very complicated issue, especially because they're working with two separate municipalities. Mr. Molchany discussed how Manheim Township got to this point. Mr. Kling added that the mechanic is working out well, too.

New Business

Manor Township Membership: Mr. Krimmel said Ryan Strohecker of Manor Township could not attend because this meeting occurs the same time as the Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee meeting. Mr. Kling suggested that East Lampeter Township might be interested in joining this COG.

Sharing Emergency Coordinators with Warwick Township and Lititz Borough: Mr. Molchany said they've been talking with Dan Zimmerman of Warwick Township for the past year and a half. Mr. Krimmel said he's talked with Randy Gockley and is coordinating a meeting to discuss sharing these coordinators. It will be held June 6, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at Manheim Township. Ms. Hemperly wondered who signed the

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MOU. East Petersburg Borough approved it. East Hempfield Township is working on it. Mr. Kling said he'd like to see increased efficiency and doable costs; we need regionalization.

Mr. Krimmel mentioned Spooky Nook Sports and the Pan Am Men's Field Hockey tournament that will be hosted there next year. They will be working with various federal agencies for security. Mr. Kling suggested they talk to Chief Kane or Lieutenant Rudzinski. Mr. Molchany commended Chief Kane for his emergency plans when Manheim Township hosted the US Women's Golf Open last year.

Public Comment: Mr. Brubaker asked about the Fruitville Pike closure between Petersburg Road and Carter Moir Drive. This will fix the bridge on Fruitville Pike. Mr. Kling discussed the Landis Valley Road bridge repair project, which will involve closing Route 222 for a period of time.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Council, Mr. Weiss moved and Mr. Brubaker seconded adjourning the meeting at 8:35 a.m., with all in favor.

Next Meeting: July 13, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. at East Hempfield Township

Respectfully submitted,

Sean P. Molchany
Manager-Secretary