

Central Lancaster County Council of Government
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May 10, 2017 – 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 10, 2017 at the Manheim Township Municipal Building. Members present were: Al Kling (MT), Ian Hodge (MT) Sean Molchany (MT), Susan Schaeffer (MT), Robert Krimmel (EHT), Cindy Schweitzer (EHT), Doug Brubaker (EHT) and Todd Weiss (EP). Robin Hemperly (EP) arrived late, and John Bingham (EHT) was absent. Mr. Krimmel welcomed everyone and said we have a quorum from Manheim Township, East Hempfield Township and East Petersburg Borough.

Visitors: Phil Mellott, Manheim Township's Director of Public Works and Andrew Stern, West Hempfield Manager

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Mr. Weiss, seconded by Mr. Hodge, the minutes of the March 8, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

Old Business

Cable Audit: Mr. Krimmel asked if there was any interest in pursuing the proposed cable audit. The general consensus was the cost of the audit would be too expensive to justify the amount of any possible gain. This matter was dismissed. Ms. Schweitzer suggested East Petersburg ask Comcast for a list of streets they show are in East Petersburg so the Borough can do its own audit.

New Business

Miller Road and Lititz Road Bridge Replacement Projects: Mr. Krimmel shared East Hempfield has passed two resolutions and is working on an ordinance to allow Penn DOT to remove and replace the Miller Road bridge. Mr. Molchany stated Manheim Township has also passed a resolution and will present an ordinance at the next board meeting as well. The bridges at Miller Road and Lititz Road will be removed and replaced by Penn DOT and Penn DOT will also remove the bridge on West Roseville Road. This will be a \$3,000,000 savings for Manheim Township. Mr. Mellott stated Penn DOT estimates Miller Road/Buch Avenue will be closed for approximately forty-five (45) days for the bridge replacement.

Public Comment: Mr. Weiss asked about the status of the replacement of the State Road Bridge over Route 283. Mr. Krimmel explained the holdup is a legal issue between Amtrak and East Hempfield Township and Penn DOT. While the bridge over Route 283 is owned by Penn DOT, the bridge over the Amtrak rails is owned by the Township. Amtrak is requiring East Hempfield Township and Penn DOT to waive their governmental immunity and assume liability for any damage Amtrak might incur as a result of this project. East Hempfield Township is meeting with their federal representatives on May 17 to try and resolve this impasse.

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Mr. Stern will be presenting the ordinance to join the CLCCOG to his Board for adoption. He further stated the West Hempfield Township's solicitor has issues with the CLCCOG's current ordinance and may require a new ordinance be drafted. There was some discussion as to how to resolve this issue among all members. One suggestion was to draft a joint ordinance or have each municipality pass new ordinances reflecting the proposed changes suggested by West Hempfield Township's solicitor.

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

Next Meeting: July 12, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at East Hempfield Township

Respectfully submitted,

Sean P. Molchany
Manager-Secretary