# CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marc Laul called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated that in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" this is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee as published in the Hunterdon Review, the agenda has been posted at the Municipal Building and distributed to the Hunterdon Review, Courier News, the Express Times, the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Star Ledger.

# FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Laul asked everyone to please stand for the Flag Salute and for a moment of silence in honor of our Servicemen and Women.

# **ROLL CALL**

Present -	Marc Laul	Thomas McKee
	Mike Schmidt	Beverly Koehler

Absent- Brian Wunder

Also Present - Attorney Dick Cushing, Attorney Matt Lyons, Clerk Karen Sandorse and 14 members of the public.

## **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**

## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 5, 2017

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 5, 2017.

## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 16, 2017

Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 16, 2017.

## Minutes of the Executive Session of August 16, 2017

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved minutes of the Executive Session of August 16, 2017.

## Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 31, 2017

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved minutes of the Special Meeting of August 31, 2017.

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## Minutes of the Special Executive Session of August 31, 2017

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved minutes of the Special Executive Session of August 31, 2017.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS – for agenda items only.

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee opened the public comment portion of the meeting.

There were no comments from the public.

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

## ORDINANCES

#### Public Hearing - Ordinance No. 2017-06 - Telecom Permit

Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the public hearing for Ordinance No. 2017-06 was opened.

Mr. Ron Milkowski asked if neighbors will be notified about the installation of a wireless node on their neighbor's property and if there is anything that the Committee wanted included in the agreement that they did not receive.

Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the public hearing for Ordinance No. 2017-06 was closed.

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee adopted Ordinance No. 2017-06 as written below.

## TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE NO. 2017-06 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE TOWNSHIP CODE IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TELECOM PERMITS

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee passed Resolution No. 86-2017 which granted limited consent to Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Verizon Wireless") pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 48:3-19 and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 27:16-6 to install small-wireless-nodes, in the public rights-of-way of certain streets within the Township of Lebanon; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to such Resolution, Verizon Wireless must apply to the Township Zoning Officer for a Telecom Permit to Operate in the Right-of-Way; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary, therefore, to amend the Township's ordinances to provide for the issuance of a Telecom Permit to Operate in the Right-of-Way; and

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**WHEREAS**, in reviewing the Township's ordinances, it was realized that Chapter 63, entitled "Officers and Employees" did not include a section establishing the office of Zoning Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Lebanon that the Code of the Township of Lebanon is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 63 entitled "Officers and Employees" is hereby amended by adding the following: Article VII Zoning Officer

§63-34 Established

There is hereby established the office of Zoning Officer.

§63-35 Appointment; term.

The Zoning Officer shall be appointed annually by the Township Committee, and when so appointed, the term shall run for one year from January 1 in the year in which he/she was appointed and until his/her successor is appointed and qualified.

#### §63-36 Duties.

The Zoning Officer's duties shall include, but not be limited to those set forth in Section 400-53 hereunder. The Zoning Officer also shall perform any such duties as prescribed by the Township Committee.

§63-37 Compensation.

The Zoning Officer shall receive such compensation as the Township Committee may by the Salary Ordinance provide.

**SECTION 2.** Section 400-15.1 entitled "Telecom Permit to Operate in the Right-of-Way" is hereby added as follows:

The Zoning Officer shall examine and make determinations regarding any Telecom Permits to Operate in the Right of Way in compliance with the conditions and requirements set forth in the Resolution of the governing body granting consent to operate in the right-of-way.

**<u>SECTION 3.</u>** Section 400-53 entitled "Zoning Officer" of the Code of the Township of Lebanon is amended by adding the following:

(8) To examine and issue Telecom Permits to Operate in the Right-of-Way.

**<u>SECTION 4.</u>** Subsection D of Section 400-54 entitled "Permits and certificates; fees" of the Code of the Township of Lebanon is amended by adding the following:

(h) Telecom Permit: \$100

**SECTION 5.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed as to such inconsistencies.

<u>SECTION 6</u>. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

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**SECTION 7.** Any ordinance inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance is hereby repealed. **SECTION 8.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

#### RESOLUTIONS

#### **Resolution No. 88-2017 – Bond Anticipation Note**

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 88-2017 as written below.

## TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON COUNTY OF HUNTERDON STATE OF NEW JERSEY RESOLUTION NO. 88-2017

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, DESIGNATING A \$3,036,576 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE, DATED AUGUST 24, 2017 AND PAYABLE JANUARY 26, 2018, AS A "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATION" PURSUANT TO SECTION 265(b)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Township"), intends to issue a \$3,036,576 Bond Anticipation Note, dated August 24, 2017 and payable January 26, 2018 (the "Note"); and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to designate the Note as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, as follows:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. The Note is hereby designated as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for the purpose of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the Note is not a "private activity bond" as defined in the Code and (2) the Township and its subordinate entities, if any, do not reasonably anticipate issuing in excess of \$10 million of new money tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds) during the calendar year 2017.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. It is further determined and stated that the Township has, as of the date hereof, issued the following tax-exempt obligations (other than the Note) during the calendar year 2017, viz:

Amount Dated – Due

\$810,400 BANs 1/27/17 - 1/26/18

<u>SECTION 4</u>. The Township will, to the best of its ability, attempt to comply with respect to the limitations on issuance of tax-exempt obligations pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code; however, the Township does not covenant to do so, and hereby expressly states that a covenant is not made hereby.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. The issuing officers of the Township are hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the original purchaser of the Note and to further provide such original

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purchaser with a certificate of obligations issued during the calendar year 2017 dated as of the date of delivery of the Note.

<u>SECTION 6</u>. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

#### Resolution No. 89-2017 – Statewide Insurance Renewal – 2018-2021

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 89-2017 as written below.

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY COUNTY OF HUNTERDON TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON RESOLUTION NO. 89-2017 STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND RESOLUTION TO JOIN (RENEW) THE FUND

WHEREAS, a number of local units have joined together to form the Statewide Insurance Fund ("FUND"), a joint insurance fund, as permitted by N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36, *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon ("LOCAL UNIT") has complied with relevant law with regard to the acquisition of insurance; and

WHEREAS, the statutes and regulations governing the creation and operation of joint insurance funds contain elaborate restrictions and safeguards concerning the safe and efficient administration of such funds; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL UNIT has determined that membership in the FUND is in the best interest of the LOCAL UNIT.

WHEREAS, the LOCAL UNIT agrees to be a member of the FUND for a period of three (3) years, effective from **January 1, 2018** terminating on **January 1, 2021** at 12:01 a.m. standard time; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL UNIT has never defaulted on claims, if self-insured, and has not been canceled for non-payment of insurance premiums for two (2) years prior to the date of this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LOCAL UNIT does hereby agree to join the Statewide Insurance Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to the extent required by law, the Local Unit shall provide notice of the Indemnity and Trust Agreement to the Office of the State Comptroller; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LOCAL UNIT will be afforded the following coverage(s):

Worker's Compensation & Employer's Liability Comprehensive General Liability Automobile Liability and Physical Damage Public Officials and Employment Practices Liability Pollution Liability Property Inland Marine Boiler and Machinery Crime-Faithful Performance and Fidelity Cyber Liability Non Owned Aircraft LTCM 09/20/2017 Page 6 of 13

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Thomas McKee is hereby appointed as the LOCAL UNIT's Fund Commissioner and is authorized to execute the application for membership and the accompanying certification on behalf of the LOCAL UNIT; and Karen J. Sandorse is hereby appointed as the LOCAL UNIT's Alternate Fund Commissioner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LOCAL UNIT's Fund Commissioner is authorized and directed to execute the Indemnity and Trust Agreement and such other documents signifying the membership in the FUND as required by the FUND's Bylaws and to deliver same to the Administrator of the FUND with the express reservation that said documents shall become effective only upon the LOCAL UNIT's admissions to the FUND following approval of the FUND by the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance.

#### Resolution No. 90-2017 - Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate

Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 90 -2017 as written below.

## TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON COUNTY OF HUNTERDON STATE OF NEW JERSEY RESOLUTION NO. 90-2017 REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector did sell a Tax Sale Certificate #201603 on October 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 to Lebanon Township and,

WHEREAS, the amount of \$11,070.51 has been collected from Comerica Bank, for US Bank Trust NA Trustee, owner of this property, known as Block 24 Lot 27, 349 Route 513, Lebanon Township for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #201603.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer be authorized to prepare and the Mayor, Treasurer and Clerk be authorized to sign a check in the amount of \$11,070.51 to Lebanon Township for the redemption of this lien.

#### **Resolution No. 91-2017 - DPW Employee - Employment Extension**

Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 91-2017 as written below.

## TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY RESOLUTION NO. 91-2017 RESOLUTION EXTENDING TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

WHEREAS, Lebanon Township hired James Kilhullen III as a Temporary Employee of the Public Works Department in January 2017, to fill positions on an "as needed" basis; and

WHEREAS, the Temporary employment of James Kilhullen III was extended through September of 2017 in order to fill positions on an "as needed" basis; and

WHEREAS, James Kilhullen III does not hold an Air Brake Endorsement for a Commercial Driver's License ("CDL");

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WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Supervisor of the Department of Public Works, it is the desire of the Mayor and Committee to further extend James Kilhullen III's Temporary employment through December 31, 2017 in order to enable him to obtain the required CDL Air Brake Endorsement; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that, James Kilhullen III's status as a Temporary Employee of the Public Works Department of the Township of Lebanon is extended through December 31, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said employment and extension thereof is temporary only, such that no rights attendant to Full-Time, regular Part-Time, or Hourly permanent employment shall attach or inure to the benefit of James Kilhullen III.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Lebanon Township Museum Lavatory Addition Project

The Committee previously approved a budget of \$140,000 for the lavatory and storage room addition for the museum. The budget was to include the cost for the installation of a septic system also. A request for bids was advertised and 5 bids were received. The lowest bid was \$140,400 which did not include the septic or the performance bond. The highest bid was for \$237,840; therefore, all the bids received surpassed the budget the Committee had for the project. Architect Chris Nash stated that he reviewed the plans with other professionals and their estimated cost for the project is \$94,000. If you were to add in extras the total for the project would fittingly be \$120,000. Mr. Nash stated his surprise with the bids that were received and his disappointment. The Committee thanked Mr. Nash for all his efforts.

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee rejected all bids as they surpassed the architect's estimated amount and will explore other possible options in adding indoor plumbing to the Museum.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Police Blotter**

Police Chief Jack Gale provided the Committee with a report on police activity from January 1, 2017 through September 1, 2017.

#### School Resource Officer Agreement with NHVRHS

Voorhees High School has asked for a full time Resource Officer to be provided by the Lebanon Township Police Department during the 2017-2018 school year. Discussions have taken place with the school and an agreement was drafted and approved by the Board of Education at their September 19, 2017 meeting. The school will be reimbursing the Township for the ten months that the officer is in the school. LTCM 09/20/2017 Page 8 of 13

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved a Shared Services Agreement between the Township and the North Hunterdon -Voorhees Regional High School District Board of Education for School Resource Officer services.

## **New Police Officer**

Chief Gale has requested to hire a new police officer for the Police Department.

Held to executive session.

## Mr. Steve Krevsky - Request for Extension of Approval to Reside in Camper

Mr. Steve Krevsky of 63 Bunnvale Road, was present to ask for an extension of his July 20, 2016 approval, to live in a trailer on his property, while he attempts to rebuild his home that sustained damage in a fire.

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved Mr. Krevsky's request to extend his approval to reside in a camper, on his property, for an additional 12 months, with the condition that work will be conducted on the roof.

#### George & Elizabeth Wenger – Request for Waiver of CCO

Mr. and Mrs. Wenger are attempting to purchase the Sliker property, at the corner of Sliker Road and Teetertown Road, in the Township. There is a home on the property with a cesspool and a well. The home is in very poor condition and the Wenger's intend to demolish the home and replace the cesspool with an approved 4 bedroom septic system. The well was installed in 1944 and is not usable. The Wenger's are now requesting a waiver from the Certificate of Continued Occupancy until which time that they have built a new house and installed a new well and septic system. Attorney Cushing stated that the Township will need assurance, from the Wengers, that they will be decommissioning the well once they own the property and that the Township is protected until the work is complete and the CO has been issued. Attorney Cushing will work with the Wenger's attorney to come up with an agreement.

## Police Chief's Request to Purchase Additional CCTV Cameras for the Police Depart

*Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved the Police Chief's request to purchase CCTV cameras for the Police Department, from Sawyer's Control Systems, in the amount of \$2200.00. The cost will be covered by the Police operating account.

#### Police Chief's Request to Lease/Purchase a 2017 Police Interceptor SUV

*Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved the Police Chief's request to lease/purchase a 2017 Police

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Interceptor, in the amount of \$38,614.00. The vehicle will be acquired from the Morris County Coop and the cost will be covered by the Police operating budget.

# Social Affair Permit – Friends of Memorial Park – Event Date: October 14, 2017

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved a Social Affair Permit for the Friends of Memorial Park for an event to be held on October 14, 2017.

## Raffle Application – St John Neumann Church – Event Date: October 20, 2017

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved a Raffle License Application for St. John Neumann Church for an event to be held on October 20, 2017.

# Raffle Application – St John Neumann Church – Event Date: December 3, 2017

*Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved a Raffle License Application for St. John Neumann Church for an event to be held on December 3, 2017.

# **Raffle Application - Friends of Memorial Park – Event Dates: October 14, 2017 and October 29, 2017.**

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved a Raffle License Application for the Friends of Memorial Park for events to be held on October 14, 2017 and October 29, 2017.

## Boy Scout's Request to Park Trailer at Police Station

The Boy Scouts of Lebanon Township have a 16ft. trailer that they use for camping. They need a place to park it when it is not in use and are asking if it can be parked at the municipal complex.

*Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee authorized the Police Chief and the DPW Manager to decide where the trailer can be parked.

## McKee Farm – SADC Farmland Preservation Application

Mr. McKee recused himself from the meeting room.

Tom and Heidi McKee are applying to the SADC to have their farm preserved. The SADC is asking for the Township Committee to verify that the Township does not have any problem with the preservation moving forward.

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*Motion by Mayor Laul, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee vowed support for the McKee application that is before the SADC for farmland preservation.

Mr. McKee rejoined the meeting.

# Lebanon Township Park Committee - Request to Appoint Member

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee appointed Michael Falconeri to the Lebanon Township Park Committee, term expiring 12/31/2017.

# Township Voice and Data Service with Equipment Systems

Tabled

# **Lighting Audit**

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Ms. Koehler and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee authorized the Mayor to contact a Direct Install contractor to have a lighting audit conducted.

## **Animal Control Matter**

Mayor Laul stated that an Environmental Commission member found a stray dog, last Wednesday evening, and did not receive a positive response from the Township's Animal Control Officer. Ms. Koehler will look into the complaint.

## **PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS**

Committee Members provided a description of vouchers exceeding \$1000.00.

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by favorable roll call vote, the* Township Committee approved the September 30, 2017 bill list, in amount of \$156,766.71. AYES: Koehler, Laul, Schmidt ABSTAIN: McKee

# CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Tax Collector's Report for the Month of August 2017
- b. Meals on Wheels In Hunterdon, Inc. Request for Support Tabled
- c. LT Recreation Commission's August 3, 2017 Meeting Minutes

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# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the* Township Committee opened the public comment portion of the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Mr. Ron Milkowski asked if raises were considered in the SRO Contract and questioned if the Committee considered hiring two Special Officer's as opposed to a one full-time officer.

Mr. Milkowski recommended getting dark tinting on the windows of the Police vehicle.

Mr. Scott Koenig provided the Committee with a proposal for a new phone system for the Municipal Office.

*Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee closed the public comment portion of the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

## Resolution No. 92-2017 – Executive Session

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote,* the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 92-2017 and convened in executive session at 8:47 p.m.

#### Action may be taken when the meeting reconvenes.

## TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON COUNTY OF HUNTERDON STATE OF NEW JERSEY RESOLUTION NO. 92-2017 <u>RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act; *N.J.S.A.* 10:4-6 *et seq.*, declares it to be the public policy of the State to insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which business affecting the public is discussed or acted upon; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act also recognizes exceptions to the right of the public to attend portions of such meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee find it necessary to conduct an executive session closed to the public as permitted by the *N.J.S.A.* 40:4-12; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the executive session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that they will conduct an executive session to discuss

the following topic(s) as permitted by *N.J.S.A.* 40:4-12:

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\_\_\_\_\_A matter which Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court requires be kept confidential or excluded from discussion in public (Provision relied upon:

\_\_\_\_);

\_\_\_\_\_A matter where the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

A matter whose disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy; X A collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions thereof (Specify contract:

\_); CWA Local 1040

X A matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed; Real Estate Acquisitions

\_\_\_\_\_Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

\_\_\_\_Investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

 $\underline{X}$  Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party; (The general nature of the litigation or contract negotiations is: Mid American Salt

X Professional Service Contracts **Interview.** The public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position in the litigation or negotiation; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.

\_\_\_\_\_Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his or her ethical duties as a lawyer; (The general nature of the matter is:\_\_\_\_\_\_

OR \_\_\_\_\_\_ the public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position with respect to the matter being discussed; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.);

<u>X</u> Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective or current public officer or employee of the public body, where all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected have not requested in writing that the matter(s) be discussed at a public meeting; (The employee(s) and/or general nature of discussion is: **Police Officer Hire** Contract\_\_\_\_\_\_ the public disclosure of such information at this time would violate the employee(s) privacy rights; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the threat to privacy rights no longer exists.;

\_\_\_\_\_Deliberation occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty or loss of a license or permit;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Committee hereby declare that their discussion of the subject(s) identified above may be made public at a time when the Township Attorney advises them that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the Township or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Committee, for the reasons set forth above, hereby declare that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place.

The Township Committee reconvened the public meeting at 10:40 p.m. No action was taken.

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# ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Mr. McKee, seconded by Ms. Koehler, and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, to adjourn the meeting at 10:41p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen J. Sandorse, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk

Approved: October 4, 2017

Marc Laul, Mayor