

MINUTES  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MARCH 7, 2005

The Penn Township Finance Committee convened on Monday, March 7, 2005 at 7:20 P.M. following the Public Safety Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Klunk and Commissioners Stauffer, Johnson, and Felix. Commissioner Rishel was absent with notice. Also present were Manager Garvick, Administrative Assistant Rodgers, Police Chief Gilbert and Fire Chief Cromer. The following matters were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There will be an executive session following the Finance meeting this evening.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None.

EMS TAX: Jeff Eyer, Hanover Borough resident, stated that the new EMS tax is unconstitutional and that it is taxation without representation and the Commissioners should repeal it and tax Penn Township residents for the services provided. Commissioner Klunk stated the Committee would review the request when they prepare the 2006 budget.

HANOVER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: The Committee received a request dated February 17, 2005 from the Hanover Area Chamber of Commerce for a waiver of the sign permit fees to advertise the shuttle service being offered in conjunction with Dutch Days on July 30, 2005. The Committee recommended approving the request.

PARKVILLE FIRE COMPANY: The Committee received a request dated February 23, 2005 from the Parkville Fire Company for a waiver of the building permit fees to renovate their basement to provide a physical fitness room, a larger dayroom and a new office. The Committee recommended approving the request.

FREEDOM VALLEY HANOVER: The Committee received a request dated March 4, 2005 from Freedom Valley Hanover for a waiver of the sign permit fee to advertise the grand opening of their church on March 5 and March 6, 2005. They will be applying for a similar request in May or April and now that they know the procedure will make their waiver requests earlier. The Committee recommended approving the request.

ANIMAL CONTROL: Manager Garvick provided a copy of the newspaper article where the York County Commissioners cut the funding for the Animal Control and Rescue League but increased the funding for the SPCA. In addition Manager Garvick received a survey from the York County Animal Control Task Force. Manager Garvick stated he wanted to ask why the County Commissioners chose not to fund the Animal Control and Rescue League since it is the most used animal service in the County. The Committee concurred.

SPRING NEWSLETTER: Manager Garvick stated that he has additional space in the newsletter if anybody had anything they wanted to include. Chief Gilbert asked if he could include the open house. We will also include an article on smoke alarm testing and battery replacement provided by the fire department.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Garvick, Manager