

MINUTES
FINANCE COMMITTEE
MAY 2, 2005

The Penn Township Finance Committee convened on Monday, May 2, 2005 at 7:26 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: None.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None.

BUILDING PERMIT: The Committee received a request dated April 20, 2005 from Jeffrey L. Henry, Inc. requesting a refund of the building permit fee for a home that was started and then the proposed home buyer backed out of the project. The Committee recommended that the Manager use his discretion in dealing with the refund of the fee.

HANOVER EAGLES: The Committee received a request dated April 14, 2005 from the Hanover Aerie No. 1406 requesting a waiver of the building permit fee for the Eagles to install a 10' fence for a softball field. The Committee recommended approving the request.

BUCKLEY CHIROPRACTIC: The Committee received a request dated April 13, 2005 from the Easter Seals South Central Pennsylvania requesting a waiver of the sign permit fee to advertise a bake sale at Buckley Chiropractic. The Committee recommended approving the request.

YORK COUNTY BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM: Manager Garvick reported that the State administers the Community Block Grant Program from Federal funding, which is either distributed to the Counties or to individual municipalities. If the municipalities want to participate in the County program then the County applies for the funds for those they represent. The municipalities are allowed to apply on their own but that will decrease their chances of getting funds. This process occurs every three years and Manager Garvick recommends that the Township do nothing and let the County apply for the funds and then petition them if we wish to apply for a specific project. The Committee was concerned that the Township has not pursued this more aggressively and they will prepare a list of proposed projects.

ELECTION DISTRICTS: The Committee recommended holding off pursuing redistricting at this time but something will need to be done before the next presidential election.

EMS TAX: Administrative Assistant Rodgers reported that the first deadline for the EMS tax was on May 1, 2005 and there have been several checks returned because most employers deducted only \$10 (the amount of the previous tax) and then had employees quit before they were aware that \$52 was the correct amount to be withheld. Because the tax collector cannot take partial payments, Ms. Rodgers is informing them to submit those for whom they have deducted the entire \$52 for and request a waiver for those who were terminated prior to the collection of the new rate.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Garvick, Manager