

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 12, 2003

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee met in public session on Wednesday, November 12, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. Present were Commissioners Stauffer, Klunk, Dubbs, Rishel, Manager Garvick, Superintendent Mahone and Environmental Director Hejmanowski.

There were no citizens to be heard.

The following items were discussed:

WEST MANHEIM TOWNSHIP: The Supervisors, Township Manager and Collection System Operator from West Manheim Township attended the meeting to discuss the acquisition of additional sewer capacity. West Manheim's manager, Dean Hempfing, informed the Committee they would like to reserve an additional 300,000 gallons of capacity. Hempfing also asked the Committee if Penn would work with West Manheim to allow them to pay for the capacity over a period of time instead of needing payment up-front. After some discussion between the two Boards, Penn indicated they would consider the idea and instructed Mr. Garvick to work on an amendment to the current capacity agreement. Manager Garvick indicated that the township has responded to the latest draft agreement supplied by C.S. Davidson, but no response has been forthcoming.

PLUM CREEK INTERCEPTOR: Mahone informed the Committee that Staff has met with Frederick Seibert & Associates to review the proposed plans and offered comments and required changes. Frederick Seibert & Associates indicated they would address all of the comments and also begin to prepare the right-of-way plats, stream crossing permits and highway occupancy permits.

YORK STREET INTERCEPTOR: Mahone reported that over the past 2 weeks staff has met with CET Engineering to evaluate the best route for the placement of the new line. Surveyors are collecting field data for design and a plan should be presented in about a month.

REFUSE UNITS STATUS: Mr. Hejmanowski informed the Committee that the vendor, All American Poly, has begun production of our new refuse units and that he and Joe Thomas were going to All American Poly on Thursday, November 13th to observe the manufacturing process and also hopefully bring some manufactured units back.

WEEKLY ONE ITEM BULK CURBSIDE PICK-UP: Gene apprised the Committee of the first four months of this program and, although the tonnage was higher than expected, he felt that in the months ahead we should see a decrease in tonnage, but the total tonnage will be more than a one-day Clean-up. To offset the cost in tonnage, we are realizing a savings in overall disposal cost by going directly to the York County Incinerator in lieu of the Hanover Transfer Station. After a comment period the Committee advised Gene that the curbside program for our bulk item pick-up would continue for the year 2004.

CHRISTMAS WRAP & RECYCLING PROGRAM: Gene advised the Committee that he has spoken with Hanover Boro and they are ready to supply us with their rear end loader for our project. The other equipment needed for this project is also ready to go.

DEVELOPERS / BUILDERS DEMOLITION & CONTRACTORS RECYCLING: The Environmental Director introduced to the Committee a project he would like to implement for Builders / Developers for the year 2004, and that is to mandate recycling of construction & demolition materials. Gene informed the Committee that DEP offers a Technical Grant up to \$6,000 whereby we could have a Recycling Consultant Group, paid by the grant, evaluate whether or not this would be a feasible and worthwhile project to get into. Currently the Builders / Developers of Penn Township are not required to recycle anything. After a brief discussion by the Committee, Gene was given the authority to pursue this project further.

SALT PROJECT UPDATE: Mr. Hejmanowski gave an update on the salt project with Hanover Terminal. In the past month we have picked up more than 77,000 lbs. of salt, in either large burlap bags or 50 - 80 lb. paper sacks. Since we received so much salt and Public Works has no room, we offered some salt to Hanover Boro. They were very interested but again, because of space, they could only pickup twelve skids consisting of 17,000 lbs. The remainder of the salt is being stored at the sewer plant in a building and also in a recycling trailer. We will continue to coordinate this project with Hanover Terminal and the Public Works Department.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING PROGRAM: Gene apprised the Committee that the York County Solid Waste Authority is going to have another Electronics Recycling Event on April 3, 2004 and asked if we wanted to participate like we have in the past couple of years. The Committee approved and Gene will advise the York County Solid Waste Authority.

RECYCLING DROP-OFF: The Environmental Director enlightened the Committee that our ARD hours for coverage on Saturday's are getting less every month. Also Gene's availability to monitor and review ARD performance on Saturday's will not be as often as has been in the past. In lieu of this, and if we want to continue to have the drop-off open on Saturday's, Gene suggested that now may be the time to consider hiring a part time employee to help with coverage at the recycling drop-off. The coverage would consist of Saturdays and possibly Mondays. A long discussion followed on the coverage, with the possibility of changing Joe Thomas's work schedule to a Tuesday thru Saturday work week. The problem here is who would cover on Mondays, which is also a busy day. Mr. Garvick will address the possibility of hiring a part time employee for Saturdays and addressing the hourly rate with the current AFSCME contract negotiating team.

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP: Mr. Hejmanowski informed the Committee that he has arranged with Penn Waste that we would have a one day Saturday pick-up. The date agreed upon was January 17, 2004. Any tree after that date will require a Penn Township refuse unit in order for it to be picked up. The trees picked up on Saturday, January 17, 2004 will be taken to the York County Solid Waste Authority where they will be mulched.

WINTER NEWSLETTER: Gene advised the Committee that he would like to mail our next newsletter out to residents the week of December 15, 2003.

Respectfully Submitted
William H. Mahone
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