

MINUTES  
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE  
JULY 6, 2010

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee met in public session on Tuesday, July 6, 2010 at 8:00 PM following the Public Works Committee. Present were Chairman Rewa and Commissioners Prieber, Heilman, Goldsmith and Felix. Also present were Manager Garvick, Township Engineer Bortner, Police Chief Rhodes, Fire Chief Cromer and WWTP Supt. Mahone. The following items were discussed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Minutes from the June 1, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

CITIZENS REMARKS: None

SEWER PLANT/INTERCEPTOR BID UPDATE: Supt. Mahone reminded the committee that bids for the sewer projects would be opened at 2 PM on Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. There was discussion as to whether or not an opinion regarding the successful bidders could be established in time for the July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BOC. The committee was informed that, barring any unforeseen complication, a recommendation on the bidders would be forthcoming in time for the 19<sup>th</sup>.

BIOSOLIDS DISPOSAL CONTRACT EXTENSION: Our biosolids disposal contract with Synagro is expiring in October and they have offered us a five-year extension with an 18% rate reduction. Supt. Mahone informed the committee that he contacted PADEP to inquire about other companies that dispose of biosolids. Mr. Mahone contacted one of the two recommended contractors, Jesse Baro, Inc., and was given an estimated price, which was about 81/2% higher than Synagro's. Of greater concern is the fact that Jesse Baro's has no permitted farmland in this area so all our material would have to be trucked to their disposal sites near Reading, PA. until such time as sites could be permitted through DEP. Given the usual citizen opposition to farmland application, the committee recommended staying with Synagro Corp., since none of it's sites seem to be a problem with the local populace.

CITIZENS QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:  
None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey R. Garvick, Manager