

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 8, 2006

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee met in public session on Wednesday, November 8, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. Present were Commissioners Klunk, Stauffer, Johnson, Felix and Heilman. Also present were Manager Garvick, Superintendent Mahone and Environmental Director Hejmanowski. The following items were discussed.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: There were no citizens to be heard.

INTERCEPTOR UPDATE: Mahone reported to the Committee that the plans that HRG had submitted on the York Street interceptor and the improvements to the existing interceptor have been reviewed by Staff and CET Engineering. CET submitted comments on the plans to HRG on October 13, 2006.

MISCELLANEOUS: Mahone reviewed with the Committee a letter from Mr. Jerome Lechlinski of 6 Violet Drive. In the letter Mr. Lechlinski requested that the Township consider adjusting his sewer bill. He had been using a soaker hose to water a flower garden in front of his house and was unaware of the volume of water he used until the Water Department contacted him and asked about a possible leak. After shutting off the soaker hose Mr. Lechlinski's water usage went back to normal. Mr. Lechlinski has indicated that he will install a deduct meter for outside water usage to eliminate this problem in the future. The Committee agreed to adjust Mr. Lechlinski's sewer bill since the water never entered the sewer system.

PENN TOWNSHIP REFUSE UNIT PRICE: With a new hauler and a price increase of 85% for pickup, a discussion followed with the Committee members on what the new price for refuse units should be. It was agreed by all that the new price would be \$3.00 per unit effective January 1, 2007. This price increase will not be announced to the public and its Distributors until December 28th. This will circumvent anyone stocking up on refuse units prior to January 1, 2007.

PART TIME EMPLOYEE: The Environmental Director made a request to the Committee to eliminate the current Saturday-only help and replace with a 19 hour week part timer (Jordan gave his notice November 1st). This employee and additional hours are requested to help serve the Residents at the recycling center and to better maintain the recycling. A lengthy discussion followed and it was recommended to hire an individual. Mr. Garvick will address this with AFSCME.

CHRISTMAS RECYCLING PROJECT: Gene updated the Committee that all is in place for the project and the Hanover Boro Public Works Department has agreed to let Penn Township utilize their rear end loader trash truck.

UP GRADE OF RECYCLING TRAILERS: Gene suggested to the Committee that he would like to replace two of our current 42 & 45 foot trailers with two 53 foot trailers, to help minimize the trips to our York County Vendors for corrugated and newsprint. A short discussion followed and Gene was authorized to look into the cost.

904 PERFORMANCE GRANT: Mr. Hejmanowski informed the Committee that a check in the amount of \$90,902.00 was received from the Department of Environmental Protection for our recycling curbside and drop-off center.

NEW HAULER: With York Waste Disposal winning the bid for our curbside refuse and recycling program effective January 1, 2007, Gene suggested to the Committee that with a new hauler, consideration should be given to eliminate pick ups in the alley ways. This creates problems for the Hauler especially in the winter months with the snow and ice. Each member gave their opinion and all agreed that this would be in the best interest of serving our Residents. A letter will be formatted and mailed to each household that is currently utilizing alley pickup to advise them of the change effective January 1, 2007.

In an effort to increase our Township recycling tonnage, the Environmental Director recommended that we initiate a new program for Construction and Demolition waste for any new land developments. There is grant money available from the State to have a consulting firm do a study of the Township and feasibility of implementing a program with our Developers. Gene was authorized to pursue getting a grant for such a study.

Respectfully submitted,
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