

**NEW HANOVER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION  
NOVEMBER 14, 2011**

A work session of the New Hanover Township Board of Supervisors took place at the New Hanover Township Municipal Building, 2943 N. Charlotte Street, Gilbertsville, PA 19525 at 6:30pm on Monday, November 14, 2011. Present were Supervisors Martin Dyas, Ralph Fluharty, Douglas Muller and David Brown. Andrew Kelly was absent. Also present were Township Manager Edward C. Wagner, Solicitor Paul Bauer and Administrative Assistant Eileen Pogany.

REVIEW AGENDA – The Board of Supervisors reviewed the agenda and had neither comments nor changes.

REVIEW BILL LIST – There were no questions regarding the bill list.

RFP Engineering Services – Edward Wagner gave a synopsis of the interviews which were conducted on three firms interested in providing engineering services for the Township. Engineering firms interviewed include Gilmore and Associates, Pennoni Associates and Bursich Associates. Representatives from each firm were present during the meeting and Mr. Khaled Hassan of Pennoni was asked the question asked of the other firms at a prior meeting which Mr. Hassan was not in attendance. Mr. Hassan responded to questions asked by Douglas Muller and stated that his firm is well versed to offer various services. Paul Bauer asked Douglas Muller if cost of services will be a major factor in the Board's decision and was advised that the decision will not be based primarily on price of service. Douglas Muller stated that he respects each of the three firms being considered and that he will be abstaining from the vote due to his professional association with engineering firms and to avoid any conflict of interest concerns.

Fire Company – Philip Agliano was present speaking on behalf of the New Hanover Township Fire Company. He stated that the New Hanover Fire Company is working on meeting the three objectives listed in the letter from the Township which includes level of service, joint training, and operational procedures. He stated that Thomas Harned is taking the lead on SOG, standard operating guidelines, Jason Wood is the training officer and had conducted a joint training session with Sassamansville Fire Company and added that the fire companies would be alternating each month on providing training, and also that New Hanover Township is very close to providing the level of service required by the national and state standards, ten minutes with ten firefighters 80% of the time, on their own and should easily accomplish this with Sassamansville Fire Company participating in each incident. Paul Bauer asked if there is a mandate on the number of firefighters per truck and was told that the fire company is not obligated to follow OSHA guidelines but strive to do so. Ray Strickland and members of the Sassamansville Fire Company arrived at 6:50pm with Mr. Strickland agreeing that the joint training went well. Ralph Fluharty stated that a report will be expected from both fire companies next month. Martin Dyas thanked the fire companies for their hard work.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 6:55 PM.

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Edward Wagner, Township Manager/Secretary