



Minutes  
Hanover Area Fire and Rescue Commission  
Meeting Held Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.  
Clover Lane Fire Station

**Present at the meeting:**

- Hanover Area Fire and Rescue Commission Chairman Michael Newman
- Hanover Borough Councilmen Tim Kress and Carol Greenholt
- Penn Township Commissioners Mark Elksnis and Justin Heiland
- Hanover Area Volunteer Fire and Rescue Representatives Jeffrey Spielman and Ray Kinsey
- Hanover Area Fire and Rescue Commission Chief Anthony Clouser and Secretary April Wetzel
- Also present Deputy Chief Joseph Wysocki, Deputy EMS Chief Michael McCoy, Solicitor Gold (via phone), EMA Coordinator Jeff Waltman, Penn Township Manager Donna Sweeney, Volunteer George Zimmerman

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Newman at 5:30 p.m. Secretary Wetzel completed roll call; seven (7) voting members were present, there is a quorum.

**Announcement of Executive Session:** There will be an Executive Session held after the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Consent Agenda Approval:**

- Councilman Kress moved for the approval of all three items on the Consent Agenda for March 2025. Seconded by Mr. Kinsey. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurers Report:**

- See report provided by Brown Plus attached with minutes.
- Chief Clouser reported revenue is below budget .7% and expenses are 2.3% over budget.

**Committee Reports:**

- Finance/Personnel:
  - Motion made by Mr. Kinsey to approve moving all accounts from Orrstown Bank to PNC Bank and further approving the Commission Secretary as a signatory on these accounts but withholding the ability to sign checks. Seconded by Commissioner Heiland. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Motion made by Mr. Kinsey to participate in the Non-Profit Placement Program for employees on Worker Compensation approved for light duty assignments. Seconded by Commissioner Elksnis. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Motion made by Mr. Kinsey to approve the Commission Secretary to utilize online payments for utilities and credit card statements. Seconded by Commissioner Heiland. Motion carried unanimously.

- Motion made by Commissioner Elksnis to approve ratification of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the EMS Employees represented by the Greater Hanover Professional Firefighters' Association, effective 1/1/25 through 12/31/2027. Seconded by Mr. Kinsey. Motion carried unanimously.
- Facilities & Apparatus:
  - See report attached with minutes.
  - Motion made by Councilman Kress to solicit bids for the second-floor female restroom project at Wirt Park Station. Seconded by Commissioner Elksnis. Motion carried unanimously.

**FIRE/EMS Chief's Report:**

- See report attached with minutes.
- Chief Clousher and Deputy Chief Wysocki presented Mike's Towing and Recovery with a certificate of appreciation for their outstanding support to the department.

**EMS Report:**

- See report attached with minutes.
- EMS will be fully staffed with two ambulances in service effective May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**EMA Report:**

- See report attached with minutes.
- YCDES will hold a virtual exercise on hazardous materials on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Working on updating the regional emergency management plan.
- YWCA signed the shelter agreement with York County to provide a short-term emergency shelter in Hanover.

**Hanover Area Volunteer Fire & Rescue Report:**

- See report attached with minutes.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

At 5:44 p.m. motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Elksnis, second by Councilman Kress. Motion carried unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on May 15, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at Clover Lane Station.

Respectfully Submitted,

*April Wetzel*  
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 Recording Secretary



## **Facilities and Equipment Report**

**April, 2025**

A committee meeting was held on April 8, 2025.

Clover Lane Station:

1. Attention is needed for the equipment exhaust system.
2. A section of one shed floor needs to be replaced.

Clearview Station:

1. The water leak under the alarm board has been repaired.
2. Some other minor clean-up is still in process for the leak.

Wirt Park Station:

1. Blueprints for the second-floor restroom were inspected, with discussion of this project.

Equipment: Deputy Chief Wysocki discussed plans to replace the ladder truck. He will appoint a committee to draw up the specifications.

Jeffrey A. Spielman, Chairman

Facilities and Equipment



## EMS Report March 2025

- 467 Calls responded to by HAFR for the month.
- Continuing the process for remount or new ambulance. Still waiting for one quote (Atlantic) and will present when all information is obtained.
- Hired two-part time EMTs and one AEMT.
- One full-time Paramedic out on workers comp due to injury during call.
- In addition to being a precepting site for UPMC's paramedic program we are now a precepting site for their PHRN program.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael McCoy, Jr.  
Deputy EMS Chief



## **Hanover Area Volunteer Fire and Rescue**

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### **Commission Meeting Presentation**

17 April 2025    Clover Lane Station

### **George L. Zimmerman**

HAVFR Spokesman

#### **1. TRAINING**

Our members continue to take advantage of training opportunities. These sessions offer learning new skills and refreshing techniques and procedures. Earlier this week, thirteen of our members focused on forcible entry skills and practices. Many thanks to the trainers, career staff, and dedicated members.

#### **2. CELEBRATION!**

On April 26, 2025, our organization will host and honor our most senior members. Members with at least fifty years of service will be recognized at Bay City Restaurant with a luncheon, recognition, and awards. We anticipate honoring twenty-nine members for their dedicated volunteer service and support. Our most senior “golden” member is 97 years old.

Congratulations Senior Members of Company 79!

#### **3. MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Chef 79 invites you to his Chicken BBQ on Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 11:00am. Be sure to stop by and join the crowd to purchase a local favorite dinner and support the volunteers.

#### **4. A VALUABLE ASSET**

We are very proud of our Relief Association administered by elected members of the volunteer organization. They are responsible for payment of eligible goods, services, equipment, and training just to name a few while keeping fiscal responsibility a top priority.

Please allow me to share a recent glimpse of our contributions to the operation of Company 79. Since January 1, 2025, through April 17, 2025, the Relief Association has funded various eligible Company expenses totaling \$71,948.28