



Minutes

Hanover Area Fire and Rescue Commission
Meeting Held Thursday, August 21, 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 Bill Reichart and Carol Greenholt
- Penn Township Commissioners Mark Elksnis and Ronald Fanelli
- Hanover Area Volunteer Fire and Rescue Representatives Jeffrey Spielman and Ray Kinsey
- Hanover Area Fire and Rescue Commission Chief Anthony Clousher and Secretary April Wetzel
- Also present Deputy Chief Joseph Wysocki, Deputy EMS Chief Michael McCoy, EMA Coordinator Jeff Waltman, Solicitor Gold, Penn Township Manager Donna Sweeney, Hanover 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:

- Mr. Kinsey moved for the approval of all three items on the Consent Agenda for July 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Elksnis. Motion carried unanimously.

Swearing-In Ceremony: Anthony Phillips was sworn in as the newest Penn Township Captain for C Shift.

Treasurers Report:

- See report provided by Brown Plus attached with minutes.
- Chief Clousher reported revenue is above budget around .5% and expenses are 6.7% over budget.

Committee Reports:

- Finance/Personnel:
 - Motion made by Commissioner Elksnis to adopt the updated EMS billing schedule with an effective date of August 21, 2025. Seconded by Mr. Spielman. Motion carried unanimously.
 - Motion made by Commissioner Elksnis to appoint Tom Allison to the Member-at-large position effective January 1, 2026. Seconded by Mr. Kinsey. Motion carried unanimously.
- Facilities & Apparatus:
 - See report attached with minutes.

FIRE Chief's Report:

- See report attached with minutes.
- We received notice this week from AmTrust North American that the worker's compensation premium is going up an additional \$41,661.00 this year.

EMS Report:

- See report attached with minutes.

EMA Report:

- See report attached with minutes.
- The National Night Out event held on August 5th was a success.
- A section of Breezewood Drive has now officially been renamed Deer Creek Drive.
- Looking at options for traffic barriers for events occurring in the Hanover Borough.

Hanover Area Volunteer Fire & Rescue Report:

- See report attached with minutes.

Unfinished Business: None.

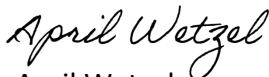
New Business: None.

Public Comment: None.

At 5:46 p.m. motion to adjourn made by Mr. Kinsey, second by Mr. Spielman. Motion carried unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on September 18, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at Clover Lane Station.

Respectfully Submitted,



April Wetzel

Recording Secretary



Facilities and Equipment Report

August 2025

We had a Committee Meeting on August 12, 2025

Clover Lane Station:

- Engine room floor cracking apart at the floor drains.

Clearview Station:

- Increase of parking lot lighting due to crime.

Wirt Park Station:

- Progress with the second-floor restroom facilities.

Equipment: Committee will be attending prebuild for the new engine with Pierce Company in the second week of October.

Jeffrey A. Spielman, Chairman

Facilities and Equipment

HAFR EMS Report for July 2025

- 536 dispatched calls for the month. 539 patient contacts.
- Staffing:
 - 4 transport units and ALS chase: 3 days
 - 4 transport units: 8 days
 - 3 transport units and ALS chase: 8 days
 - 3 transport units: 5 days
 - 2 transport units and ALS chase: 4 days
 - 2 transport units: 3 days
- Remount moving forward.
- One full- time Paramedic out on workers comp due to injury during call.



Hanover Area Volunteer Fire and Rescue

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Commission Meeting Presentation

21 August 2025 Clover Lane Station

George L. Zimmerman

HAVFR Spokesman

1. Cadet Support

Once again, the Adams County Cadet Academy successfully trained the future leadership of local volunteer firefighting organizations. This year, Chef 79 and his team prepared and served a complete barbecue chicken dinner for the cadets, instructors, and staff at the Hanover Street Elementary School. The dinner was followed by an educational tour of the Greater Hanover Area Fire Museum hosted by our friends at the Museum. Multiple groups worked together to provide an evening of fellowship, education, dining and teamwork.

We are grateful for all those who supported and gave their time to provide this public safety training opportunity, dinner, and tour for the cadets. Chef 79 and his team were proud to be part of this important event.

2. National Night Out 2025

Recently, we had the pleasure to participate in National Night Out. It was enjoyable to meet the public and offer fire prevention information, answer questions about fire safety, membership, and provide a free Home Safety Raffle. The winner of the raffle may choose one of the following – home fire extinguisher, fire blanket, or first aid kit.

In addition, we provided a live SCUBA demonstration by our HAVFR Dive Team and a Squirt House for children to learn how to attack a structure fire. We had a busy night with a steady stream of visitors.

3. BBQ

Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 13, @ 11:00a.m. as this will be the last opportunity to pick up a chicken BBQ dinner from Chef 79. Back by popular demand, you will be able to drive through the Clover Lane Fire Station land pick up a dinner. Tickets price remains unchanged - \$13.00. Consider picking up a BBQ chicken dinner to enjoy while you are watching a football game, or enjoying late summer activities. Let us prepare a meal for you! Chef 79 is looking forward to seeing you one more time before he will stow his gear until next Spring. As always, we thank you for supporting your Volunteers!