DOVER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
Work Session Minutes
March 14, 2011

The Dover Township Board of Supervisors held a work session on Monday, March 14, 2011, which began at 6:30 PM in the Meeting Room of the Dover Township Municipal Building. Dover Township Supervisors present were Chairperson Madelyn Shermeyer, Monica Love, Michael Husson, and Curtis Kann. Laurel Wilson, Township Manager, and Dawn Slegel, Recording Secretary, were also present. Dover Township Fire Marshal Glen Jansen was in attendance at this work session.

The purpose of the work session was to discuss acquiring possession of State Asset Equipment by the Dover Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Jansen stated that there are three pieces of equipment that may become available to the Dover Township VFD. They are a 2008 Ford F550 with utility box, a 2006 Wells Cargo Trailer, and a 2003 24-Foot Peterbilt Box Truck. Since there is not enough room at the Dover Township VFD, West Manchester’s Station 5 on the East Berlin Road has extra bays for inside storage. This equipment contains approximately $700,000 of technical rescue gear for local, regional, and state emergency response. This equipment was provided to the PA Company One Task Force and was in the care of the City of Harrisburg, who is currently having financial difficulties. Mr. Jansen is proposing that this equipment be added to the Dover Township Fleet Insurance at $950 per year, the fuel cost of an estimated 150 gallons annually, the maintenance cost of vehicle inspections of approximately $400 and preventative maintenance for all three pieces of equipment at approximately $400 be allocated from the existing Fire Budget. The additional maintenance for the portable equipment of approximately $800 per year will be handled by the Fire Relief Association.

Supervisor Husson questioned the purpose of this equipment.

Mr. Jansen replied that Dover Township VFD is a part of the York County Technical Rescue Team. They respond to rescue calls within York and Adams Counties. Also, PA Company 1 can be dispatched anywhere in the State on an emergency proclamation from the Governor. If the proclamation is signed by the Governor, the State then would become responsible for the expenses. In the day-to-day operations, the equipment is beneficial because it may be used anywhere that Dover Township responds as the Dover Township VFD or as the York County Technical Rescue Team for such calls as a trench rescue, building collapse, or a high angle rope rescue. Dover Township VFD runs approximately twelve rescue calls per year. There is no commitment for the replacement of these assets once they have reached their maturity.

**Board Consensus** was to allow the State Asset Equipment to be placed in the possession of the Dover Township Volunteer Fire Department with the associated costs paid from the Township’s Fire Budget.

Mr. Jansen thanked the Board for their authorization to proceed and reported that he would keep the Board informed in this matter.

Chair Shermeyer concluded the work session at 6:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: ____________________________

Dawn D. Slegel, Secretary