

A special meeting workshop was held Tuesday, August 24, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Building. The workshop was advertised by the Patriot News as required by law. Jim Fuller called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Those present were Jim Fuller, Barry Schrope, Annette Mullen, Vicki Jenkins, Kraig Nace, Jason Hoffman, Mitch Robb, Justin Kretzing and Byron Worner.

The purpose of the workshop was to discuss and take comment on the possible realignment of fire box lines in the township to better suit response times for township residents. Jim Fuller states it is the responsibility of the township to adjust fire boxes if necessary. Mileage was taken from Duncannon and New Bloomfield emergency service locations to roads within the township.

Discussion was taken from both sides about who is closer to Paradise Road and the trailer park, where the cut off line should be such as Dark Hollow Road or Windy Hill Road and who should service Pine Hill Road. New Bloomfield Fire Co., Duncannon Fire Co. and Duncannon EMS are not covered 24/7 by staff. New Bloomfield EMS is covered by 2 paid staff members 24/7.

Kraig Nace of Duncannon EMS indicated on a fire box you can have one fire company from Duncannon or New Bloomfield and a different EMS, they don't have to match. Mitch Robb of New Bloomfield Fire Co. indicated road conditions should be looked at, not just mileage, and staff coverage. Kraig Nace indicated all EMS responses in the county, except for 1<sup>st</sup> due EMS, are based on mileage. Byron Worner of Duncannon Fire Co. indicated on a house fire call to Pine Hill Road or Pfautz Trailer Park both fire companies would be responding. Mitch Robb stated emergency response services can have no more than 10 fire boxes. Jason Hoffman of New Bloomfield EMS states he feels it is very important to look at staff coverage for EMS services. Annette Mullen asked Jason Hoffman if he could provide response times for the area between Mecks Corner and Paradise Road and Mecks Corner to Dellville Dam Road for the last 5 years to help assist in the decision making. Information will be faxed or forwarded to the township building.

There were lots of questions asked and input from all involved at tonight's workshop. The supervisors will continue to look into this further and look at all information provided. Workshop adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Twp. Secretary