

Dear Pequannock Township Residents:

Often we are asked questions such as “who would you recommend do the work” or “is this contractor okay”. These questions place my staff and me in a very difficult situation as we are unable to recommend or certify the quality of work of any contractor. We all feel obligated to serve you, the residents of Pequannock Township, to the best of our ability, however, our legal obligations as licensed code enforcement professionals doesn't allow us to give you the answers that you would like to hear.

The same holds true for contractor/consumer disputes. We are sometimes asked to take sides and mediate in disputes between parties. Our position is constant; if the work is in compliance with the code we cannot become involved. Legal code compliance, contractual obligations, and purchaser expectations may vastly differ. These matters are civil in nature and should be handled accordingly.

The bottom line is BUYER BEWARE. You need to do your homework before you have the work done. Take the time and the steps to prevent being misled or deceived, select a contractor whom you can trust with your most valuable asset. To that end I have prepared a handout which can be viewed or downloaded entitled “Choosing a Contractor” which gives you some basic information in doing the same.

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