

June 1, 2011
Curtis Hall

A regular meeting of the **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** was held tonight, J. Andrew Sharkey, Chairman, presiding. Members present were Commissioners Hampton, McKeown, Simon and Swavola. Also present was Ex-Officio Member Portner. Staff present were Joseph Bagley, Wisler Pearlstine LLC; Bryan T. Havir, Assistant Township Manager; David Lynch, Director of Engineering, Zoning and Inspections; John J. Norris, Chief of Police; Kevin O'Brien, Deputy Chief of Police; Joseph O'Neill, Fire Marshal; and David G. Kraynik, Township Manager. A Public Attendance List is attached.

Mr. Sharkey called the meeting to order.

1. Chief Norris reviewed his Report for the month of April, 2011. He noted that retail theft has increased.
2. The Committee reviewed a proposed Ordinance to the Traffic Code as follows:

DELETE:

GLENSIDE AVENUE STOP STREET at Waverly Road

ADD:

GLENSIDE AVENUE STOP STREET at North Avenue
GLENSIDE AVENUE STOP STREET at South Avenue
WAVERLY ROAD NO PARKING, north side, Berkeley Road to 47 feet east.
WAVERLY ROAD NO PARKING, north side, Berkeley Road to 47 feet west.

Chief Norris reported that due to residents' requests, the proposed Stop Street on Glenside Avenue at South Avenue will be eliminated. Ms. Hampton noted that at her recent community meeting it was suggested that said Stop Sign be eliminated due to grading in the area, and there was a consensus against said Stop Sign from the residents at that meeting.

There were public comments:

Thomas McHugh, 127 Hewett Road, did not believe that grading was a problem. There are hills all over the Township, and he supported keeping the Stop Sign at South Avenue.

Kaye Gallagher, 2 Waverly Road, felt that said Stop Sign may prohibit her from getting out of her street. She attended Ms. Hampton's meeting, and most residents agreed that it should be deleted.

Stephen Reimer, 508 Glenside Avenue, stated that his driveway is 30' from South Avenue. He was concerned that traffic would blow through the intersection, and he was concerned about the way water accumulated on the roadway in heavy rain. He asked for a designated crosswalk at Glenside Avenue and Glenview Road in the vicinity of the park and train station.

Chief Norris responded that crosswalks are not recommended for heavy travelled roads but this could be revisited, and it would have to meet PennDOT regulations.

Matthew Mundy, 110 Hewett Road, supported removal of the Stop Sign at South and Glenside Avenues. He was also concerned about the Greenwood Avenue bridge construction and detour.

Chief Norris reported that the Police Department and PennDOT are working together regarding the detour. So far, the detour will take motorists south on Washington Lane and south on Rices Mill Road. Changes could be possible once the detour route goes into effect and resulting traffic patterns are evaluated.

Mr. Simon asked if it could be designated that the Ordinance is for a six (6) month period. Chief Norris responded that this is not necessary because the Police Department will be monitoring this and will recommend a change if necessary.

Ms. Hampton stated that she and Chief Norris will be communicating on a regular basis as to the affect of these new traffic regulations.

3. Upon motion of Ms. Hampton, and unanimously approved by the Committee, it was recommended to the Board of Commissioners the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 285, thereof, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" (see attached).

4. Chief Norris gave an update on CrimeReports, a National Crime Map, which the Police Department has joined. It will be available on the Township's website as well as www.CrimeReports.com. This national crime map allows residents to track data regarding crime in their community.

5. Upon motion of Mr. Portner, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the Police Activity/Community Policing Unit, Clearance and Juvenile Contact Reports for the month of April, 2011 were accepted.

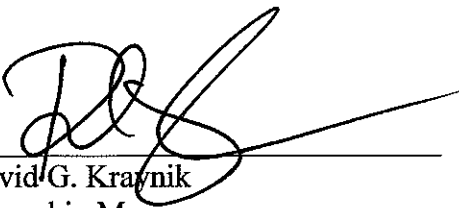
6. Mr. O'Neill reviewed certain Fire Board recommendations for the fire companies. He stated that said recommendations would enable more efficient operation of the Fire Companies. It was Mr. Simon's opinion that Items 7 and 8 appear to be requests and encouragements rather than policies. Mr. O'Neill responded that these are requests to generate policies within a certain timeframe. Mr. Sharkey recommended that said memorandum be distributed to all Fire Company Presidents and Chiefs and that an update be presented to the Public Safety Committee at a future meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. McKeown, the Committee unanimously endorsed the recommendations of the Fire Board for all Fire Companies in the Cheltenham Fire Department as presented this evening (see attached).

7. Upon motion of Mr. Portner, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the Report of the Fire Marshal for the month of May, 2011 was accepted.

8. Upon motion of Mr. Sharkey, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the Report of the EMS Director for the month of May, 2011 was accepted.

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Portner, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.



David G. Kravnik
Township Manager

as per Anna Marie Felix

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHELTENHAM, CHAPTER 285 THEREOF, ENTITLED VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, BY AMENDING CERTAIN STREET AND PARKING REGULATIONS.

The Board of Commissioners of the Township of Cheltenham hereby ordains:

SECTION 1. The Code of the Township of Cheltenham, Chapter 285, Article IV, entitled Schedule of Traffic Regulations, Section 285-43 thereof is hereby amended by **DELETING** the following:

GLENSIDE AVENUE (36) STOP STREET at Waverly Road

SECTION 2. The Code of the Township of Cheltenham, Chapter 285, Article IV, entitled Schedule of Traffic Regulations, Section 285-43 thereof is hereby amended by **ADDING** the following:

GLENSIDE AVENUE (36) STOP STREET at North Avenue

WAVERLY ROAD (21) NO PARKING, north side, Berkeley Road to 47 feet east.

WAVERLY ROAD (22) NO PARKING, north side, Berkeley Road to 47 feet west.

SECTION 3. That in all other respects Chapter 285 of the Code of the Township of Cheltenham is hereby approved and accepted as amended, and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as required by law.

ENACTED into an Ordinance this 15th day of June, A.D., 2011.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF CHELTENHAM

By _____
Harvey Portner, President

ATTEST: _____
David G. Kraynik, Secretary

Memorandum

To: Public Safety Committee
CC: D. Kraynik; J. O'Neill
From: E. J. Stuckert, Fire Board Executive Secretary
Date: 5/24/11
Re: Recommendations for all Companies in the Cheltenham Fire Department.

Several meetings and follow-up conversations with both Fire Board and the Fire Company Chiefs were held at various times over the past months. A list of recommendations to be fulfilled by the companies within the Cheltenham Fire Department was agreed upon by the majority of the attendees. It is requested that the Public Safety Committee consider endorsing these recommendations as requirements at the June meeting.

The recommendations, if endorsed as requirements by the Public Safety Committee, would better ensure that the firefighter and officer training requirements adopted by the Fire Board are being met and further provide for written policies to address potential voids in the existing adopted policies. These recommendations are as follows:

1. All officers that were in their elected or appointed positions in October of 2009 must meet the minimum training requirements for their position by December 31, 2011. This timeframe was set forth in the officer training requirements policy passed by Fireboard in October of 2009.
2. All members, which are part of the company and allowed to respond when dispatched to emergency calls, must successfully attain the Hazardous Materials Operations Training by September 1, 2011. This will not include Junior Firefighters and those members with less than 18 months in the department that are still working to attain the minimum training as set forth by Fireboard in a policy dated October 2010.
3. All members, which are part of the company and allowed to respond when dispatched to emergency calls, must successfully complete the NIMS 100 and 700 courses. All officers must meet the NIMS requirements for their elected or appointed position. This must be met by July 31, 2011.
4. Each company shall provide a written policy that outlines the procedures the company follows for investigating any complaint made against a member including driving complaints. This must be met by July 31, 2011.
5. Each company shall provide documentation of officer meetings held from January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011. This documentation should include the officers in attendance as well as an outline of what has been discussed. It should also show a regular schedule for future officer meetings. This must be met by July 31, 2011.
6. Each company shall provide a list of all crew personnel with the year they joined as well as their current training to meet the requirements set forth by Fireboard. This must be met by July 31, 2011.



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Public Affairs Committee, 7:30 p.m.
Public Safety Committee, 7:45 p.m.
Building and Zoning Committee, 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 1, 2011
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