

November 4, 2009  
Curtis Hall

A regular meeting of the **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** was held tonight, Harvey Portner presiding. Members present were Commissioners McKeown, Muldawer, Sharkey, Simon, and Swavola. Also present was Ex-Officio Member Greenwald. Staff present were Joseph M. Bagley, Esq., Wisler Pearlstine, LLC; Bryan T. Havar, Assistant Township Manager; Kenneth Hellendall, EMS Director; David M. Lynch, Director of Engineering, Zoning & Inspections; John J. Norris, Chief of Police; Kevin O'Brien, Deputy Chief of Police; Joseph O'Neill, Fire Marshal; Ruth Littner Shaw, Main Street Manager; and David G. Kraynik, Township Manager. A Public Attendance List is attached.

Mr. Portner called the meeting to order.

1. Chief Norris reviewed the Police Activity/Community Policing Unit, Clearance and Juvenile Contact Reports for the month of September, 2009.
2. Upon motion of Mr. Greenwald, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the Police Activity/Community Policing Unit, Clearance and Juvenile Contact Reports for the month of September, 2009, were accepted.
3. Upon motion of Mr. Greenwald, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the Report of the Fire Marshal for the month of October, 2009 was accepted.
4. Upon motion of Mr. Greenwald, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the Report of the EMS Director for the month of October, 2009 was accepted.
5. Upon motion of Mr. Greenwald, and unanimously approved by the Committee, the Report of the Emergency Management Coordinator for the month of October, 2009 was accepted.

6. Mr. Kraynik reported on Montgomery County's decision to eliminate the Township's 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Center (PSAP) effective January 1, 2010 and of establishing a Remote Dispatch Point Center at the Police Department.

The three (3) municipalities (Cheltenham, Abington and Lower Merion Townships) that currently have 9-1-1 dispatch centers will no longer operate them beginning in 2010. All 9-1-1 calls will go through the county's Eagleville Center. The county has chosen to follow state law, which mandates one (1) center in the county. Little, if any, disruption is anticipated since Chief Norris advises that 80% of all 9-1-1 calls currently go directly to the county.

Mr. Kraynik and Chief Norris recommended that a Remote Dispatch Point Center be established. There is the possibility that this center may also be eliminated at some point in the future. There will be budgetary savings in 2010 since there are two unfilled Dispatcher positions that will be eliminated for a net savings of about \$70,000.

In response to a question from Mr. McKeown, Mr. Kraynik indicated that the Remote Dispatch Point Center would be located at the Police Department.

7. Upon motion of Mr. McKeown, and unanimously approved by the Committee, it is recommended to the Board of Commissioners the establishment of a Remote Dispatch Point Center in the Police Department's Communications Center, effective no later than January 1, 2010.

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

  
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David G. Kraynik  
Township Manager

per Anna Marie Felix



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