

PENN TOWNSHIP  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
APRIL 5, 2010

The Penn Township Public Safety Committee met on Monday, April 5, 2010 at 7:00 PM. Present were Chairman Felix and Commissioners Heilman, Rewa and Goldsmith. Commissioner Prieber was absent with notice. Also present were Manager Garvick, Police Chief Rhodes, Fire Chief Cromer and Administrative Assistant Rodgers. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commissioner Felix read the announcement of the executive session held following the Board of Commissioners meeting on March 15, 2010.

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the March 1, 2010 Public Safety Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: None.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: Chief Rhodes reported that last year the Township, in conjunction with the National Night Out, conducted a program to promote safety at the Penn Township Community Park. The turnout last year was more than anyone expected and created a problem with parking which has caused Chief Rhodes to look for a better location for the event. The event would be scheduled for the evening of Tuesday, August 3, 2010. Chief Rhodes will be contacting several local businesses, including the school district, about hosting the event at their facilities.

2009 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE: Chief Cromer reported that the proposed amended 2009 International Fire Code has been reviewed. The Fire Chief suggested several changes to the code. These changes include permit forms and fees for explosives, fire hydrants and valves, open burning, automatic fire extinguishing systems, fire alarm and detection system, private fire hydrants, and standpipe systems. There was some discussion about the fees and the development of the necessary forms. The ordinance will be advertised for adoption when it is ready.

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES: Chief Rhodes requested that the Fraternal Order of Eagles be placed on the agenda for the April 19, 2010 Board of Commissioners meeting. Nevin Baumgardner will present a donation check to the Public Safety Department on behalf of the Eagles.

POLICE AWARDS: Chief Rhodes would also like some time on the agenda to present the police department awards for 2010.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATER: Manager Garvick reported that the emergency management coordinator position has been advertised in the Township newsletter and individuals have begun to show interest in the position. There has not been a coordinator since March 2009. In the interim, Dale Crabbs and Fire Chief Cromer are handling the duties. Manager Garvick reported that a job description has been prepared and applicants have begun calling with questions about the job. He noted that it would take a while for State and County approval of the applicant, depending upon the coursework that will need to be completed to meet the state requirements. In addition, stipends and compensation levels would need to be set. Applications will be taken through June 1, 2010. This person chosen will report to the Township Manager. There is an Emergency Management plan that has been recently submitted to York County, which needs to be updated every two years. The Committee suggested a stipend of \$1500 plus mileage. There was some discussion about what the reimbursement should be for mileage. The Committee will interview the applicants and make a determination after the review of the applicants.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Garvick, Manager