MINUTES OF MEETING SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD

The Springfield Township Emergency Services Board held a meeting on Wednesday, March 2, 2023.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35PM

Members present: F. DePaul; C. Manning; L. Flynn; M. Pitkow; C. Baily and Commissioner Lee. Don Sirianni (on Behalf of Oreland FC) and EMC Bob Chiarlanza were also in attendance.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion was made to accept the minutes; they were accepted as submitted.

SPRINGFIELD POLICE: Chief Mike Pitkow

Chief Pitkow informed the Board there had been a meeting on 2/27 with the PD and Fire Co.'s in regard to working on a Township Pre Plan for an active shooter. EMC Chiarlanza informed the Board this would include all disciplines and be specific for Springfield. The Board discussed numerous aspects including equipment; ballistic protection; funding of exercises (PEMA); Montco active shooter plan (dispatch/equipment and agencies); EMS response protocol.

AMBLER AMBULANCE: Lt. Larry Flynn

Lt. Flynn thanked Flourtown Fire Co for a recent lift assist. Lt Flynn also noted that a bariatric patient has returned to Accella 850 Paper Mill Rd. The patient is on the first floor and there is still no ambulance for bariatric patients, although new stretchers are more accommodating for larger patients.

FLOURTOWN FIRE COMPANY: Chief Chris Manning

Chief Manning inquired as to a Special Needs Notice he has received. These are to be forwarded to FM Baily who will forward to County DPS to be placed in the CAD as well as to EMC. Chief Manning also feels that the Township should facilitate a meeting with PENNDOT so that the Bethlehem Pike Project, and its impact on the department as well as the membership can be explained and discussed. The Board noted that there had been a public meeting last year, that the Township was in control of the traffic lights/Opticom's, and the project is slated to begin in June. The Board felt a request should be made to the Township Manager in regard to such a meeting.

WYNDMOOR HOSE COMPANY: Chief Fran DePaul

No report

ORELAND FIRE COMPANY: Deputy Chief Don Sirianni

No report

COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Jim Lee

The Board discussed Commissioner Lee's inquiry regarding funding (Township and other) for Emergency Management planning, training, and equipment. Comm. Lee then brought the Board up to date on: Storm Water Management Workshop this past Sat.; Wissahickon Clean Water Initiative; Master Plan for Rec. Center; Parks and Rec. getting out of Travel Team Leagues; Discussion on the Thin Blue Line; and STOAC No Stigma Day.

FIRE MARSHAL: Chuck Baily

FM Baily was called to a car v. building. In his absence the Loss Control letter from Swift was read...no recommendations made. A questionnaire will be sent to each fire department for completion.

OLD BUSINES

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ELECTIONS

Chiefs Pitkow and DePaul were unanimously reelected.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles H. Baily Fire Marshal/Code Enforcement Inspector