

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD**

The Springfield Township Emergency Services Board held a meeting on Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM

Members present: F. DePaul; G. Wilmot, III; Joelle Lesniak; Dan Azeff; Jennifer Green-Azeff; M. Pitkow; C. Baily; Commissioner Lee and R. Chiarlanza.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion was made to dispense with reading of the minutes; they were accepted as corrected.

Emergency Management: Bob Chiarlanza, EMC

The Board discussed in detail both the firefighting and emergency management aspects of the recent fire at SPS in Abington. The fire burned from 9:00 PM 2/17 to Sat. 2/22. All Township agencies were involved. There were many lessons learned on both the local and County levels including but not limited to: evacuations; refueling of apparatus; timing in regard to declaring a disaster; cleaning gear; and County employees fighting the fire and unavailable for their County assignments. In view of this incident the Board asked Comm. Lee for funding to conduct both desktop and a live drills to prepare for a large event.

The Board also discussed the incident at Wyndmoor Hills where patients were relocated to Springfield Residence due to a sewage blockage that involved several floors and the elevators. Again, all Township agencies were involved.

As a result of these discussions EMC Chiarlanza is to put together guidelines in regard to emergencies encountered in nursing facilities. Further, EMC Chiarlanza is to research establishing a resource to supply fuel to apparatus at a large incident.

SPRINGFIELD POLICE: Chief Mike Pitkow

No report

AMBLER AMBULANCE: Chief Dan Azeff & Deputy Chief Jennifer Green-Azeff

No report other than what had been discussed re: emergency management

FLOURTOWN FIRE COMPANY: Chief George Wilmot

No report

WYNDMOOR HOSE COMPANY: Chief Fran DePaul

No report

ORELAND FIRE COMPANY: Joelle Lesniak

No report

COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Jim Lee

Commissioner Lee discussed the BOC accomplishments: Little League agreements; retention of solicitor; aspirational energy plan; architects for rec center project; resolution for PW recent retirees McClinton and Corley.

FIRE MARSHAL: Chuck Baily

No report

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

ISO evaluation of fire departments is scheduled for April 9th

Plan Review of Mt. St. Josephs proposed Field House was reviewed. The relocation of the FDC to a more accessible location and the installation of a new/updated fire hydrant were noted.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles H. Baily
Fire Marshal/Code Enforcement Inspector