

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

The Springfield Township Emergency Services Board held a meeting on Wednesday, March 6, 2024.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35PM

Members present: F. DePaul; K. Schwartz; M. Frye; Jake Frye; Scott Morrissey; L. Flynn; M. Pitkow; C. Baily; Commissioner Lee and R. Chiarlanza.

**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 group that PENNDOT Bethlehem Pike project is beginning 3/25 on Mon -Friday 9:30 to 3:00. Following up on the active shooter discussion last month, Scott Morrissey inquired on behalf of Chief Lesniak if emergency management could develop target hazard layout and information EMC Chiarlanza agreed it would be a good idea.

**AMBLER AMBULANCE: Lt. Larry Flynn**

No report. Larry reported that this will most likely be his last STEMS as he will be starting in the very near future as a full time Paramedic with Cheltenham Ambulance.

**FLOURTOWN FIRE COMPANY: Chief George Wilmot and Lt. Jake Frye**

No report, just a comment that the Boxes for the pan handle had been consolidated into one and do not affect response.

**WYNDMOOR HOSE COMPANY: Chief Fran DePaul**

Chief DePaul thanked everyone for a job well done at the Duveen Fire. After the Duveen Fire Wyndmoor distributed 40 smoke detectors. Rescue 82 with 1000 gal. of water is in service and Tac 82 with 300 gal of water will be in service by mid April. It is anticipated that there will be buildings on Willow Grove Ave. available in the summer for drills. Wyndmoor is hosting a class on 4/29 by Eckert Fire Tactics.

**ORELAND FIRE COMPANY: Scott Morrissey**

No report

**COMMISSIONER REPORT**

Commissioner Lee noted the accomplishments of the BOC over the past several months including: Bids for Cisco Playground; Rec. Center study; solar panel feasibility for admin. Bldgs.; LD approved for Starbucks, PECO, Robertson additions, Walnut Ave trail award, little league, PD retirements and promotions; and PW retirements.

**FIRE MARSHAL: Chuck Baily**

FM Baily related that he had been contacted by ISO for a review of the Building Department. Baily also related he had been contacted by the Red Cross in regard to their smoke detector program. The Red Cross will come to a community event and distribute Fire Prevention materials and sign-up residents in need of smoke detection. They will then on their own or preferably in partnership with a fire co. install the requested detectors. The Board was agreeable to partnering with the Red Cross for such an event, for example Night out or Community Day. Further, the Red Cross in conjunction with Stotesbury HOA has several residences in which they will be installing smoke detectors.

**OLD BUSINESS**

FM Baily informed the group that the land development for Mount St Josephs that was reviewed last year has not been submitted as it is to be reviewed by the Planning Committee next week

Last month the Board reviewed Mt. St. Josephs Academy: Proposed 32,000 sq foot addition to the rear of the school, requiring the relocation of the driveway and tennis courts. Issues include the relocation of the FDC, fire hydrant, fire access lane width; elevation and building height. The review letter will be submitted this week as the project is anticipated to move forward shortly.

**NEW BUSINESS**

FM Baily reviewed several Land Development Plans with the Board:

Middle School Addition: The Board reviewed the Sketch Plan dated 11/13/2023. Traffic flow through the parking lot is of concern as is the inability to access the Paper Mill Rd side of the building with apparatus. A truck radius/movement plan utilizing the local apparatus specifications needs to be prepared. Also, the macadam walkway along the building parallel to Paper Mill Rd needs to be enlarged and reinforced so that it can be utilized as a fire access road.

Towns at Pennybrook: The Board noted that the fire hydrant location is unacceptable. The hydrant is to be relocated to the T intersection of the development.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles H. Baily  
Fire Marshal/Code Enforcement Inspector