

**LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SAFETY
COORDINATING COMMITTEE
2207 Lawrenceville Road
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648**

MINUTES

Tuesday, May 8, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gregory Puliti, Council Liaison; Dale Robbins, Fire Marshal; Chief Dan Posluszny, Lawrence Township Police Department; Carol Chamberlain, Health Officer; Chief Michael Oakley, Slackwood Fire Company; Chief Shaun Dlabik, Lawrence Road Fire Company; Jack Oakley, Emergency Management Coordinator; Kyle Collins, Community Representative; John Gladwell, Community Representative and William Holmes, Community Representative.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Krawczun, Municipal Manager; Chief Gary Wasko, Lawrenceville Fire Company; Anthony Cermele, Construction Official; John Baran, Community Representative; Stacy Gallagher, Community Representative; and Roseann Manghisi, Community Representative.

OTHERS PRESENT: Asst. Chief Richard Laird, Lawrence Road Fire Company

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Dale Robbins at 6:33pm.

Minutes: The regular monthly meeting minutes for April 10, 2012 were reviewed by the committee. A motion was made by Shaun Dlabik and seconded by Kyle Collins to accept the minutes as written. All were in favor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation at this time.

Swearing in of Newly Appointed Members: Due to her absence, newly appointed member Stacy Gallagher was not able to take the Oath of Office at this time. Chairman Dale Robbins will check into the status of her membership intentions.

OLD BUSINESS

HEALTH REPORT: Health Officer, Carol Chamberlain reported that the Township Health Nurses are currently going over the Exposure Control Plan and revised copies will be made available to all members and employees.

EMERGENCY APPARATUS REPORTS: Chief Mike Oakley reported that Engine 21 was out of service for a pump cooler, but is now back in service and that the repairs necessary are being made to Rescue 21 and should be completed by mid June. Chief Shaun Dlabik reported that Engine 22 has been repaired to usable condition at this time and that the bid was awarded and will go out for repair when Rescue 21 is returned to service. Dale reported that all apparatus for Lawrenceville Fire Company is in service at this time. Jack Oakley reported that Ambulance 129-4 is out of service for a malfunctioning locking mechanism on the rear door.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEDIA ARTICLES: Chief Dan Posluszny reported that there was a recent article done and there will be another one done for the summer. Chief Shaun Dlabik suggested an article on grill safety.

PASSING ON RIGHT IN THE VICINITY OF THE LAWRENCE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL: Chief Dan Posluszny checked out the area on several occasions but could not reproduce the problem that John Gladwell brought to the attention of the committee. He will monitor this area for any reoccurrence.

NEW BUSINESS

DELAY IN DISPATCH: Chief Shaun Dlabik brought it to the attention of the committee that there was a water rescue at Colonial Lake and a rescue call immediately following. There was a definite delay in the dispatch for the second rescue. Chief Mike Oakley confirmed that the delay was not on the end of the Police Department, but a problem with the dispatch from Mercer County Central. Chief Posluszny suggested that Chief Dlabik e-mail him dates that he can be available to meet with Mercer County Central along with himself, Jack and Dale. A meeting will be scheduled to try to remedy this situation.

SCBA BOTTLE REPLACEMENTS: Chief Mike Oakley brought it to the attention of the committee that the Chiefs have the final counts for SCBA bottles that need to be replaced at each fire company. Dale Robbins stated that when the budget is finalized, then the replacements will be ordered.

TEXAS AVENUE/JOHNSON AVENUE INTERSECTION: John Gladwell brought it to the attention of the committee that when you are exiting Johnson Avenue, trying to make a right onto Texas Avenue, the cars cued up at the traffic light occupy two lanes, forcing one of the two lanes into the opposite traffic direction causing a traffic jam and no exit from Johnson Avenue. Chief Dan Posluszny reported that there's no way to designate a complete striped center of the roadway at that point, due to the break for the vehicles to enter the service station.

WATER RESCUE BOX: Chief Mike Oakley reported that the Water Rescue box alarms are ready to go with Trenton as per the meeting that the 3 Fire Chiefs had.

PLAN REVIEWS

There were no plans to be reviewed at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

There was no other business to be conducted at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to be brought before the committee, a motion was made by Jack Oakley, seconded by John Gladwell to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia L. Turek