

UPPER MORELAND TOWNSHIP
Committees Meeting Agenda
March 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

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Public Health & Safety Committee Members: Commissioner and Committee Chair Charles M. Whiting, Commissioner Kip McFatridge and Commissioner Nicholas O. Scull; Township Staff Members/Representatives: Police Chief Andrew Block, Fire Chief Glassman, Assistant Chief Ken Davidson, Second Alarmers Association & Rescue Squad.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Presentation

IV. Approval of Minutes – February 28, 2022 (attachment)

V. Acceptance and approval of the following monthly reports:

- A. Police Department Memorandum and Monthly Report by Police Chief Block (attachment)
- B. Fire Department by Fire Chief Glassman (attachment)
- C. Second Alarmers Association & Rescue Squad by Assistant Chief Ken Davidson (attachment)

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

VIII. Other Items:

- A. Fire Station Renovation Proposal (attachment)
- B. Relocation of Davisville Road Flood Gate

XI. Visitor Comments

X. Commissioner Comments

XI. Adjournment

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Public Health & Safety Committee Meeting

Public Health & Safety Committee Members: Commissioner and Committee Chair Charles M. Whiting, Commissioner Kip McFatridge, Commissioner Nicolas O. Scull; Andrew J. Block, Chief of Police; Edward Glassman, Fire Chief; Kenneth E. Davidson, Assistant Chief Operations & Administration - Second Alarmer's Rescue Squad

- I. **Call to order:** Commissioner and Committee Chair Charles M. Whiting called the meeting to order following adjournment of the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting.
- II. **Roll Call:** Commissioner and Committee Chair Whiting; Commissioners McFatridge and Scull; Police Chief Block; Fire Chief Glassman; Assistant Chief Davidson. Also present were: Randall Schaible, Assistant Township Manager/Director of Finance; Matthew H. Candland, Township Manager; Alex Baumler, Township Solicitor.
- III. **Approval of Minutes - January 24, 2022** - The meeting minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.
- IV. **Acceptance and approval of the following monthly reports - January 2022:**
 - A. Police Department – Memorandum and Monthly Reports - Chief Block discussed the following:
 - Statistics from calls, crimes, offenses, arrests, investigations, citizen concerns and traffic.
 - A list of community-oriented police activities was also reviewed.
 - Officer Megan Padua resigned from the Department on February 5, 2022 to pursue a civil service job in the U.S. Postal Service, due to trends in the law enforcement field.
 - B. Department of Emergency Services - Chief Glassman reviewed the following:
 - Statistics of emergency responses, inspections, permits, activities and trainings for the month.
 - Safety tips on indoor heating appliances and to check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors weekly.
 - C. Second Alarmer's Association and Rescue Squad - Chief Davidson reviewed the following:
 - Statistics of emergency responses, staffing issues, yearly comparisons, and trainings.
 - There are four full-time positions currently open.
 - Commissioner Whiting commented support to fund staffing.
- V. **Old Business:**
 - A. Portable Basketball Hoops Update:
 - Chief Block explained that there are two locations on Silver Lane which were given notification that remain in violation. The hoops must be removed either by the owners or the Township.
 - The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners take action at the March 7, 2022 Regular Meeting.
- VI. **New Business - Nothing to report.**

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VII. Other Items:

A. COVID-19 Update:

- Mr. Candal reported that Montgomery County has approximately 526,671 fully vaccinated residents. In Upper Moreland Township there were 70 deaths, since the beginning of the pandemic.
- Masks are optional for visitors and staff in the Township Building.

VIII. Visitor Comments - Nothing to report.

IX. Commissioner Comments:

- Commissioner McFatridge announced that the Board of Commissioners met in an Executive Session prior to tonight's meeting to discuss personnel matters.
- Commissioner Spearing commented concerns on lawn signs posted intentionally on properties and suggested removal and citing for littering. Mr. Baumler and the Committee held a lengthy discussion regarding changing regulations in the ordinance.

XI. Adjournment: There being no further business for this Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Kristire.

UPPER MORELAND TOWNSHIP

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report



February 2022

Andrew J. Block

Chief of Police

**Upper Moreland Police
February 2022 Monthly Report**

The Upper Moreland Police Department responded to 1,155 calls for service for the month of February 2022. The total calls for service for year to date is 2,402.

The calls for service between January and February of 2022 decreased by 92 incidents. The monthly police department call volume has realized a 15% increase in call volume when comparing February 2021 and February 2022.

Outlying year-to-date call volume:

- February 2021; 2169
- February 2020; 2,474
- February 2019; 2,246

Overall difference between year to date February 2019 and February 2022 is a 6% increase in call volume.

The following Part-One Crimes were reported and investigated by Upper Moreland Police in February 2022;

- One Robbery offense cleared by arrest
- One Burglary
- One Auto Theft
- Two Aggravated Assaults
- 44 Theft offenses with 19 offenses cleared by arrest

The following Part-Two Crimes were reported and investigated by the Upper Moreland Police in February 2022;

- Seven Narcotics offense cleared by arrest
- Three Public Intoxication offense cleared by arrest
- 21 Other Crimes committed cleared by arrest

The Patrol Division conducted the following proactive measures;

- 431 Vehicle Investigations
- 60 Hazardous Traffic Violations
- 104 Non-Hazardous Traffic Violations
- Eight Parking Citations Issued/One Warning Issued
- 12 Homeless Contacts
- Seven DUI Investigations
 - DUI Arrests
 - One Between 7:00AM and 7:00PM
 - Six Between 7:00PM and 7:00AM

Traffic and Highway Safety Unit

The Traffic Unit conducted the follow investigations, activities, and studies;

- 22 Calls for Service
- Four Traffic and Parking Problems
- Five Citizens Traffic Concerns
- 114 Traffic Stops/Motor Vehicle Investigations
- 65 Warnings Issued
- 35 Hazardous Moving Violations Issued
- 33 Non-Hazardous Moving Violations Issued
- One Arrest

Detective Bureau/CID

The Detective Bureau opened the following new cases in the month of February 2022:

- One Robbery Investigation
- One Theft Investigation
- One Missing Juvenile Investigation
- One Indecent Exposure Investigation
- One Juvenile Assault
- One Fraud Investigation
- One Auto Theft Investigation
- One Burglary Investigation
- Two Sexual Assault Investigations
- Two Assault Investigations
- Three Retail Theft Investigations
- Three Fire Investigations
- Three Narcotics Investigations



Upper Moreland Township Police Department
 Andrew J. Block
 Chief of Police
 February 2022



Major Service Areas		This Month -2/2022		Last Month -1/2022		Last Year - 2/2021		Year to Date 2022		Year to Date 2021		Year to Date 2020		Year to Date 2019		
Calls for Service	1,155		1,247		1,062		2,402		2,169		2,474		2,246		2,246	
Average Response Time	3.863		3.967		4.274		3.915		4.213		3.844		3.979		3.979	
Reportable Vehicle Crashes	15		17		24		32		42		38		40		40	
Non-Reportable Vehicle Crashes	49		72		58		121		104		127		140		140	
Part One Crime		This Month -2/2022		Last Month -1/2022		Last Year - 2/2021		Year to Date 2022		Year to Date 2021		Year to Date 2020		Year to Date 2019		
Category	Reported	Arrests	Reported	Arrests	Reported	Arrests	Reported	Arrests	Reported	Arrests	Reported	Arrests	Reported	Arrests	Reported	Arrests
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	3	1	2	0	0
Robbery	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	3	4	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	2	1	2	2
Burglary	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	1	1
Theft	44	19	33	25	36	27	77	44	68	45	60	23	30	11	11	11
Auto Theft	1	0	1	1	2	0	2	1	3	0	3	0	1	0	0	0
Order Maintenance		This Month -2/2022		Last Month -1/2022		Last Year - 2/2021		Year to Date 2022		Year to Date 2021		Year to Date 2020		Year to Date 2019		
Category	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests	Arrests
Narcotics	7	3	3	3	3	3	10	7	7	14	14	14	26	26	26	26
Public Intoxication	3	3	3	0	0	0	6	0	0	8	8	8	5	5	5	5
Disorderly Conduct	0	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	6	6	6	2	2	2	2
Other	21	12	12	14	14	14	33	33	38	40	40	40	52	52	52	52
Proactive Measures		This Month -2/2022		Last Month -1/2022		Last Year - 2/2021		Year to Date 2022		Year to Date 2021		Year to Date 2020		Year to Date 2019		
Vehicle Investigations	431	494	169	169	925	925	453	453	1,083	1,083	751	751	751	751	751	751
Hazardous Traffic Violations	60	66	39	39	126	126	77	77	198	198	121	121	121	121	121	121
DUI Violations	7	3	3	3	10	10	3	3	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Non-Hazardous Traffic Violations	104	119	25	25	223	223	56	56	312	312	362	362	362	362	362	362
Parking Violations	5/1	8/0	7/2	13/1	12/2	13/1	8/3	8/3	9/7	9/7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
*Warnings as of July 2016																

**Upper Moreland Police
February 2022 Monthly Report**

The Detective Bureau executed the following arrest warrants for the month of February 2022:

- Felony Robbery
- Assault Involving a Firearm
- Misdemeanor Narcotics Offenses
- Felony Retail Theft

The following is an overview of Part-One crime statistics:

- There has been one burglary reported YTD. In 2021 one burglary YTD, and 2020 one burglary YTD, two burglaries reported in 2019.
- Thefts, including retail theft, YTD are 77 with 44 clearances.
- There has been one Robbery offense YTD, with three reported YTD in 2021 and three YTD in 2020, with none reported YTD in 2019.
- All robberies remain under investigation by the Detective Bureau.

Community Oriented Policing and Police Department Monthly Activities and Highlights

February 1, 2022 – The “Love Your Neighbor” donation campaign for homeless contacts and township residents in need was a tremendous success. This initiative, headed by Sergeant Pam Cordura, received support from many township residents and organizations. The response has yielded 11 tote cases of clothing, non-perishable food, toiletries, and towels. The police department received the donation of 23 gift cards for various food establishments throughout the area. Upper Moreland Police Department is very appreciative of the response that was received with this campaign. Several of the items have been distributed to our homeless contacts we encounter.

**Upper Moreland Police
February 2022 Monthly Report**

February 14, 2022 – Montgomery County implemented a new Pretrial Service Program effective this date. With this new program when a defendant is arrested for a crime in Montgomery County they will no longer have a preliminary arraignment before our local Magisterial District Judge. Pretrial Services now requires that all defendants must be administered a bail interview as well as an interview with the Montgomery County Public Defenders office. Once these interviews are completed the defendant is then arraigned by the on-call Magisterial District Judge. The defendant can attend the preliminary interviews remotely or may be transported to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility (MCCF) for the preliminary arraignment. This decision to arraign the defendant remotely or transport to MCCF is based upon a number of variables; the primary decision is based on police staffing for the Upper Moreland Township Police Department at the time of the arrest and Pretrial Services requirements. This new unfunded mandate requires more police officers to handle a preliminary arraignment than with the previous procedure. The Police Chiefs' Association of Montgomery County has delivered a letter to Montgomery County Commissioner and Chair Dr. Valerie Arkoosh outlining the concerns with this new required program.

February 8, 9, 15, 2022 – Alex Mann of Malvern, Pa. made several visits to Upper Moreland Police Headquarters in the month of February 2022. Alex conducted training for Upper Moreland Police Officers on Autism Spectrum Disorder. Alex has an important mission having traveled to 150 police departments in the Philadelphia region. That mission; to raise awareness for those with autism. Upper Moreland PD was his 88th police department that he made a visit to as of November of 2020. Alex, who is diagnosed with autism, is educating police officers on how to approach and deal with people who have autism. We are very fortunate to have Alex educate our officers on the recognition of persons who have been diagnosed with autism. Alex clearly enjoyed visiting and teaching UMPD officers. Alex continues to stay in touch with UMPD.

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February 8, 22, 2022 – Sergeant Pam Cordura and Detective Frank Gallagher conducted a presentation to the residents of Wesley Enhanced Living on Byberry Road. The presentation focused on crimes targeting our senior population. The presentation is designed to create awareness of scams and how not to become a victim. The topics presented included telephone mail scams, lottery winning scams, and false bail and law enforcement scams that request money in the form of gift cards. The presentation was well received by all who attended.

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February 19, 2022 – The Upper Moreland Police Department is participating in the Consortium of Montgomery County Communities police entrance examination process. On February 19th a police officer entrance examination was conducted for 19 participating Montgomery County police departments. The exam was held at the Spring-Ford High School in Royersford, Pa. There were 334 candidates registered for this examination. 274 candidates were present for the examination. The next phase of the examination process is conducting the physical agility test for the remaining candidates that have passed the written examination. The physical agility test will be conducted on Saturday, March 19, 2022 at Spring-Ford High School. Candidates that successfully complete the examination process will be notified of the interview process for the Upper Moreland Township Police Department. When interviews have been completed the final list will be forwarded to the Upper Moreland Civil Service Commission for certification. The police department currently has one vacancy with the resignation of Officer Megan Padua on February 5, 2022.

February 23, 2022 – Upper Moreland Police Officers attended and participated in the Upper Moreland High School lock down drill.

February 24, 2022- Upper Moreland Police Officers attended and participated in the Upper Moreland Elementary School lock down drill. When the drills are completed UMPD officers and school staff, faculty, and administration conduct a peer review of the drills to ensure that best practices are implemented in the event there is an armed intruder that would enter the facility. The peer review is an excellent exchange of information between school administrators and UMPD personnel which strengthens these important relationships.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andy Block

Chief Andy Block

UPPER MORELAND TOWNSHIP

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report



February 2022

Edward Glassman

Fire Chief

Upper Moreland Fire
February 2022 Monthly Report

Fire Calls - 58 calls

EMS QRS calls- 7 calls

Fire Permit Inspections - 26 and Collected in fees- 2025.00

Fire Marshal Investigations- 4

Injuries FF or Civilian- 0

Significant Incidents

2/10- Assist House fire Upper Southampton

2/12- Assisted Horsham with 2nd alarm Homewood Suites fire

Community Oriented Fire Department Monthly Activities

2 activities attended by 39 people

Fire Service Training Hours

37 Personnel for 146 Hours

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward Glassman

Fire Chief

Fire Department

February 2022 Report to the Upper Moreland Township Board of Commissioners

Emergency Activity Summary		
Response Summary		
	February	Year to Date
Fire Related:	58	144
In-Township:	47	110
Assist Other Depts:	14	36
Assist PA Turnpike:	4	5
EMS Related:	7	51
Total Responses:	65	195
* Ignition Summary		
	February	Year to Date
Structure:	4	10
Non-Structure:	6	9
Causes		
Accidental:	10	19
Intentional:	0	0
Natural:	0	0
Under Investigation:	0	0
* In Service Summary		
	February	Year to Date
Fire:	10	19
Rescue:	0	1
Haz Mat:	0	0
Structural Response Summary		
6 a.m. - 6 p.m. Career	6 p.m. - 6 a.m. Vol.	
Feb	YTD	Feb
Average Response Time:	4:33	4:45
Total Responses	35	124
YTD		
8:50		9:08
30		71

Permit, Inspection, Fee & Public Education Summary		
Permit Summary		
	February	Year to Date
Fire Code:	24	35
Tank Removal:	2	4
Tank Installation:	2	3
Other:	0	0
Inspection Summary		
	February	Year to Date
Inspection Reports:	26	61
Fire Marshal Investigations:	4	7
Fee Summary		
	February	Year to Date
Fees Collected:	\$2,025.00	\$3,280.00
Public Education Summary		
	February	Year to Date
Activities Conducted:	2	4
Persons Attending:	39	70
Safety Analysis		
	February	Year to Date
Firefighter Injuries:	0	0
Firefighter Deaths:	0	0
Civilian Injuries:	0	0
Civilian Deaths:	0	0
Accidents Involving Vehicles:	0	0

* Includes Assist to Other Townships

Second Alarmers Snapshot

Upper Moreland Township

March 2022



Calls for service in February 2022:

Pending

February 2022 Naloxone Administration Report – Upper Moreland Township

Counts	% Rows	% Columns	% All		
Week Ending	2/6/22	2/13/22	2/20/22	2/27/22	3/6/22
Altered Mental Status	-	-	-	-	1
Overdose - Other opioids	-	1	-	-	-
Total	-	1	-	-	1

February Staffing Report:

2022

ALS Full Staffing = 3024

ALS Actual Staffing = 2692 Hours

Downgrade to BLS staffing = 296 hours

Downgrade to no status = 36 hours

2020

ALS Full Staffing = 3024

ALS Actual Staffing = 2798

Downgrade to BLS staffing = 184

Downgrade to no status = 42

Notable Information:

SARS currently has 4 full time positions that remain vacant.

SARS members completed annual skills verification in February including surgical airway review, advanced airway management techniques, respiratory protection fit testing, and a difficult patient station which included a review of mental health, agitation with delirium, and chemical restraint including the use of Ketamine.

SARS second EMT class took their program finals at the end of February and are now ready to sit for their state testing. Our third class is slated to start in April, March 1st was the last day for early registration and a discount but we still have some seats left in the class.

The Ambulance Association of PA provided testimony to the house Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee on March 1st. This hearing focused on the state of crisis that EMS is in and the impending collapse of the EMS systems across the Commonwealth. There was a focus on initiatives that had been looked at and considered as part of the SR6 committee report. While a fair number of legislative initiatives have moved forward from that report, most focus on fire service and there has been little done to help EMS.



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March 16, 2022

Matthew H. Candland
Township Manager
Upper Moreland Township
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Willow Grove, PA 19090

Re: Feasibility Study Proposal

Dear Matthew,

Thank you for inviting KCBA to submit this proposal to undertake a feasibility study for the potential reconfiguration of the fire station at 227 Davisville Road. Our team has enjoyed collaborating with Upper Moreland Township during the ongoing study of your municipal building and we appreciate the opportunity to continue our work together.

PROJECT UNDERSTANDING

Upper Moreland Township intends to explore different approaches to achieve select facility upgrades at the existing Station 10A in Willow Grove. These include:

1. Integrate new overnight spaces to accommodate a full-time residential program including bunks and bathrooms.
2. Explore a new front entrance.
3. Establish ADA access to the upper level including a new elevator.

BASE SERVICES

KCBA will complete the following tasks as part of this feasibility study:

Task 1: Existing Conditions Review

KCBA will evaluate existing conditions at Station 10A and surrounding site elements to determine the viability of any reconfiguration and/or expansion scenario. This will generally include examining the layout of the existing building, general condition of building systems and infrastructure, and adherence to modern codes and standards. This task does not represent a comprehensive facilities condition assessment of the existing building but instead will be a targeted look at elements that are relevant in a reconfiguration scenario.



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Task 2: Spatial Programming

Next, we will engage with representatives from Upper Moreland Township to review and confirm the list of required spaces along with detail relative to specific size requirements, desired flow and spatial adjacencies, etc. This will then form the basis for the subsequent conceptual design investigation.

Task 3: Design Concepts

In this step, we will develop preliminary design concepts to reconfigure the building to achieve the desired program. Each design option will be presented with graphic clarity via a conceptual site plan, conceptual floor plans, and preliminary architectural renderings. Graphics for each scheme will be accompanied by an analysis of pros and cons, identification of any permitting challenges, and examination of viability to achieve Upper Moreland Township's objectives.

Task 4: Preliminary Cost Estimate

Last, we shall produce a preliminary construction cost estimate for the township's preferred reconfiguration option. The estimate will include a figure for building construction and an allowance for site work as well as construction-related costs such as permits, fees, furniture and equipment, contingencies, and other miscellaneous items.

Task 5: Structural Review of Retaining Wall

During our site visit, it was observed that the existing lower level retaining wall is exhibiting signs of bowing. Upon request by Upper Moreland Township, KCBA's structural engineer will visit the facility, analyze this condition, provide a remedial recommendation, and produce a letter outlining the findings.

FEE PROPOSAL

KCBA proposes to complete the scope of work described above for the following fixed fees:

Task 1– 4: Feasibility Study	\$ 9,260
Tasks 5: Structural Review of Retaining Wall	\$ 3,960
TOTAL	\$13,220

Fee Notes

1. This proposal assumes that Upper Moreland Township will provide accurate existing conditions drawings of the building for KCBA's use during the feasibility study.
2. This proposal excludes any analysis of the existing mechanical/electrical/plumbing infrastructure; if this is determined to be necessary during the course of the study, KCBA can provide this as an additional service via a sub-consultant.
3. The report materials will be delivered in an electronic pdf format.



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4. KCBA's base fee includes expenses associated with overtime and standard postage.
5. Costs associated with mileage, express delivery services, printing, and permit/approval fees (none anticipated) are not included in our base fee and will be billed as reimbursable expenses.

Thank you again for the opportunity to submit this proposal. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric P. Gianelle'.

Eric P. Gianelle, AIA
Principal

If you are in agreement with the terms of this proposal and would like to authorize us to proceed, please sign below and return a copy for our files.

KCBA Architects

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric P. Gianelle'.

Eric P. Gianelle, AIA, Principal

March 16, 2022

Date

Upper Moreland Township

Date