

Transition Task Force

Public Safety Subcommittee

Minutes

March 23, 2012

1. Lt. Chris Morgan stated that the Township Chief of Police, Robert Buchanan, had resigned. Lt. Morgan is now the officer in charge with Lt. Toole as second in command. Township PD now at 26.
2. Presentations on PD staffing:
 - PD research on staffing level based on their research of accepted staffing formulas. PD Chief's recommendation on staffing.
 - Captain Sutter lead a presentation (handout) discussing different generally accepted methods to get to the needed staffing level of a police department. The handout also contained a recommended structure and staffing level of the new police department.
 - Consolidation Commission representatives to provide detail on the assumptions behind getting to the 51 number.
 - Ryan Lilienthal and Bill Metro presented background on what the Consolidation Commission Police Committee looked at and how they came to their 51 number (to be achieved in year three).
 - Seeing detail Mike Carpenter developed while working on this for Consolidation Commission Police Committee would be helpful.
3. Presentation from Paul Ominsky on how Princeton University Public Safety functions and areas it might help with the policing function in the new town.
 - Paul provided a handout and went through current structure and staffing of the Department of Public Safety (DPS). Some thoughts were shared on how to lessen the burden on the new police force.
 - A number of questions were discussed, the University suggested that DPS and the current police leadership meet to determine if an MOU with the new municipality could be established regarding mutually agreed allocation of response and service responsibility, Chief Dudeck replied that that advice from the Boro Attorney and the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office did not support that avenue.
 - Possible meeting with the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office to work out proper processes and proper agreements on who can do what and how it should be done was mentioned.
 - Question on legality of having more than one PSAP (911 call center) in the community was brought up.
 - Treby Williams and Director Ominsky commented that the University would be pleased to consider ways in which DPS could support the new Princeton police department and its dispatch center.
4. Dispatching updates.
 - Sat last meeting we were asked to look at regional, county wide and outsourcing.
 - Chief Dudeck reported that he has been invited to a meeting by Ewing Township to discuss regional dispatch on 4/5/12.
 - Outsourcing, we need to identify possible firma that could offer this.
 - County, need to contact Mercer County.
5. Immediate priorities listed at last meeting.
 - Roger's Group and WPCS have been retained per prior discussions.

- #3 priority is a new CAD system.
 - Paul Ominsky will make information from PU's search for a new CAD system from a year ago available.

Public Comments

Scott Sillars spoke.

Next meeting, 4/5/12 at 8:30am, Twp Hall , Conference Rm. A.

Present at today's meeting:

Robert Altman, Administrator Bruschi, Kevin Wilkes, Jo Butler, Chief Dudeck, Capt. Sutter, Lt. Currier, Lt. Papp, Chair Freda, Bernie Miller, Lt. Rob Toole, Lt. Chris Morgan, Treby Williams (PU), Director Paul Ominsky (PU), Robert Gregory

Adjournment