

October 24, 2022

A meeting of the Piscataway Township EMS Advisory Committee was held on October 24, 2022 at the Piscataway Township Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Interim EMS Coordinator James Parent at 3:31 P.M.

Mr. Parent made the following statement, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, specifying the time, date, location, login, or dial in information, and, to the extent known, the agenda by posting a copy of the notice on the Municipal Building, Municipal Court and the two Municipal Library Bulletin Boards, Municipal Website, providing a copy to the official newspapers of the Township and by filing a copy in the office of the Township Clerk in accordance with a certification by the Clerk which will be entered in the minutes.

The Township continues to use a remote meeting format in an effort to mitigate the chance of exposure to COVID-19, as a part of the Township's ongoing effort to slow the rate of transmission and avoid overwhelming our treatment centers.

In order to make sure a clear record of the meeting can be made AND that all parties are heard in an organized fashion, all members of the public will be muted during this meeting. If a member of the public wishes to speak during any public comment portion please raise your hand. This can be done either through the Zoom app or by pressing \*9 (star nine) on your phone. I will unmute members of the public individually if they have their hand raised. When it is your turn to speak, you will get a prompt or request to unmute, please click on the prompt or press \*6 (star 6) on your phone to unmute.

Upon being unmuted, you should begin to ask any and all questions you may have. You will have three minutes to speak, at the conclusion of which you will be muted again, and the advisory committee or administration will respond as necessary.

Each member of the public shall only have one opportunity to speak during each public portion. As the technology does not allow us to know if there are multiple callers on an individual line, we ask that if you wish to speak, that you dial in on a separate line so that we can recognize you as a separate individual. Individuals may also submit written comments to the EMS coordinator up to forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting, to be read by the EMS coordinator during the public comment portion of the meeting. Said comments shall be limited to three minutes of reading.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we continue to move the Township forward during this health emergency.

Mr. Parent led the salute to the flag.

On roll call there were present, Business Administrator Timothy Dacey, Captain Michelle Pilch, Kayla Green, John Scarpa Jr, Patricia Farmer and Evan Shegoski were present. There was a quorum.

The meeting minutes from the July 25, 2022 EMS Advisory Council meeting were approved without objection.

There was a question on Interim Coordinator Jim Parent's certifications. There were general discussions about how the EMS Advisory Committee's recommendations are presented to the township council. The EMS Advisory Council was advised the meeting minutes are provided to the township clerk for distribution to the Town Council members. If there was an action item that the Township Council needed to address it would be discussed with the council president about adding it to the Township Council's agenda. Most things discussed in EMS Advisory Council Meetings thus far have been handled administratively.

Kayla Green requested JFK EMS reports to include call volume and mutual aid requests. JFK EMS Mark Bober provided the following information.

JFK EMS - June through September, 1,456 Calls for service, 9 request for mutual aid

Kayla Green also requested to have a meeting with Captain Michelle Pilch and JFK EMS to discuss EMS in Piscataway. Ms. Green stated North Stelton Rescue Squad was not going to be able to maintain EMT membership without call volume. The administration stated a meeting would occur at a later date and no motion was required to schedule this meeting.

Mr. Dacey made a motion to schedule the 2023 EMS Advisory Council meetings for January 30, April 24, July 31 and October 23rd which was seconded by Captain Michelle Pilch.

Mr. Shegoski made a motion to change the EMS Advisory Council meeting times to 6pm which was seconded by Patricia Farmer. Kayla Green, Patricia Farmer, Evan Shegoski voted yes and B.A. Timothy Dacey and Captain Michelle Pilch voted no. The motion was passed, future EMS Advisory Council Meetings will be held at 6pm.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

There being no public comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

There being no further business to come before the EMS Advisory Council, Mr. Dacey made a motion to adjourn the meeting which passed without objection. The meeting was adjourned at 4:04 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

James Parent, Interim EMS Coordinator

Accepted:

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