

**TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH WHITEHALL
LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

PUBLIC MEETING

MINUTES

April 4, 2022

A Public Meeting of the South Whitehall Township Public Safety Commission was held on the above date in the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Members attending were:

Thomas Yezerski, Chairman
Richard Snyder, Vice Chairman
Glen Dorney, Chief, Police Department
Andrew Garger, Chief, Greenawalds Fire Department
Jeff Kelly, Emergency Management Coordinator
Robert Mateff, Chief Executive Officer, Cetronia Ambulance Corp.
Michael Smith, At Large Member

Board of Commissioner Members attending were:

Monica Hodges
Diane Kelly
David Kennedy

Others attending were:

Ricardo Diaz, Deputy Chief, Cetronia Fire Company
Adam Garger, Assistant Chief, Woodlawn Fire Department
Rusty Held, Assistant Chief, Woodlawn Fire Department
Chris Mariner, Assistant Chief, Woodlawn Fire Department
Richard Tice, Assistant Chief, Woodlawn Fire Department
Thomas Williams, Assistant Chief, Cetronia Fire Company

Township Staff attending were:

Herb Bender, Director, Public Works
John Frantz, Fire Marshal
Jason Grozier, Sergeant, Police Department
Christopher Kiskeravage, Township Fire Commissioner

Mike Kukitz, Manager, Parks and Recreation

AGENDA ITEM #1 - CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM #2 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 7, 2022 were approved as submitted.

AGENDA ITEM #3 - OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Kennedy indicated that he will speak to the Parkland School District Superintendent regarding the choosing of the individual to serve as the School District representative on the Commission.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Commissioner Hodges inquired about the status of the numerous EMS responses to the warehouse at 5185 Crackersport Road.

Commissioner Kiskeravage reported that Township personnel have met with management from the tenant, Radial, regarding the numerous EMS responses to their facility. Radial will be contacting OSHA for assistance with the issue.

AGENDA ITEM #5 - NEW BUSINESS

A. Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Kennedy reported that the Board has approved fire hose purchase for Woodlawn, portable radio purchase for Greenawalds, and are working to move a bathroom renovation project forward for Cetronia. The Board is also assisting in finding potential sources of grants and funding for a replacement aerial truck.

B. Fire Companies Report

Deputy Chief Diaz reported that Cetronia responded to sixty-five calls for the month of March 2022.

Chief Garger submitted the response report via email for Greenawalds for the month of March 2022. It is included as an attachment to these minutes. Greenawalds responded to forty-three calls for the month of March 2022.

South Whitehall fire departments assisted at an apartment building fire at the Spring Ridge Apartments in Whitehall Township.

Chief Neas submitted the response reports via email for Tri-Clover for the month of March 2022 and year-to-date 2022. They are included as attachments to these minutes. Tri-Clover responded to twenty-three calls for the month of March 2022 and eighty-two calls year-to-date 2022.

C. Fire Commissioner Report

None.

D. Emergency Management Team Report

Coordinator Kelly reported that the Emergency Operations Plan has been completed. It will go before the Board of Commissions for approval in April 2022. The plan will then be distributed on password protected drives to the Township emergency services.

The annual meeting with Dorney Park personnel will be held on April 20, 2022 at 10:00.

A planning meeting for the 2022 Get Prepared South Whitehall event will be held after the conclusion of this meeting.

E. Police Report

Sergeant Grozier reported that the police responded to one thousand and forty-five calls, had ninety-two reported crimes, and thirty-five arrests for the month of March 2022.

The police will be holding a free seminar on how individuals can protect themselves against scams and thefts on Tuesday April 19, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the township building.

The 2022 police youth academy is currently in the planning stages. A cornhole tournament will be held on Saturday May 14, 2022 to benefit Wings 2 Peace and Parkland CARES Food Pantry.

F. Emergency Medical Services Report

Chief Executive Officer Mateff reported that Cetronia responded to two-hundred and seventy-eight calls for the month of March 2022. One of those calls was handled by a mutual aid provider.

Cetronia is responding to very few Covid-related calls.

G. Subdivision Review

1. Dunkin Allentown Drive-Thru, Major Plan 2021-105

The Commission made the following comments to the plan.

- a. The plan in general does not provide a safe condition for the public as well as the emergency services.
- b. The turning radius used for fire vehicles is not correct. A template for the Township aerial truck is to be used.
- c. It is anticipated that the traffic will not obey the “do not block the box” signage. This will effectively block access to the rear of the building.
- d. The clear-sight distance of vehicles exiting the drive-thru at the front of the shopping center has not been shown on the plan as well as how obstructions at the front of this building effect the clear-sight.
- e. There appear to be issues with the traffic development counts as they are not specific to an operations such as Dunkin, but rather, to surrounding businesses.
- f. There are times of the day that the queue length exceeds the corresponding storage length.
- g. There are times of the day that vehicles will spill back into the drive aisle.

H. Address Assignments

1. Ridge Farm – Major Plan 2017-101

The Commission agreed with the proposed street names and address assignments.

AGENDA ITEM #6 - ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

ADOPTED THIS DATE:

ATTEST:

Secretary

Chairman

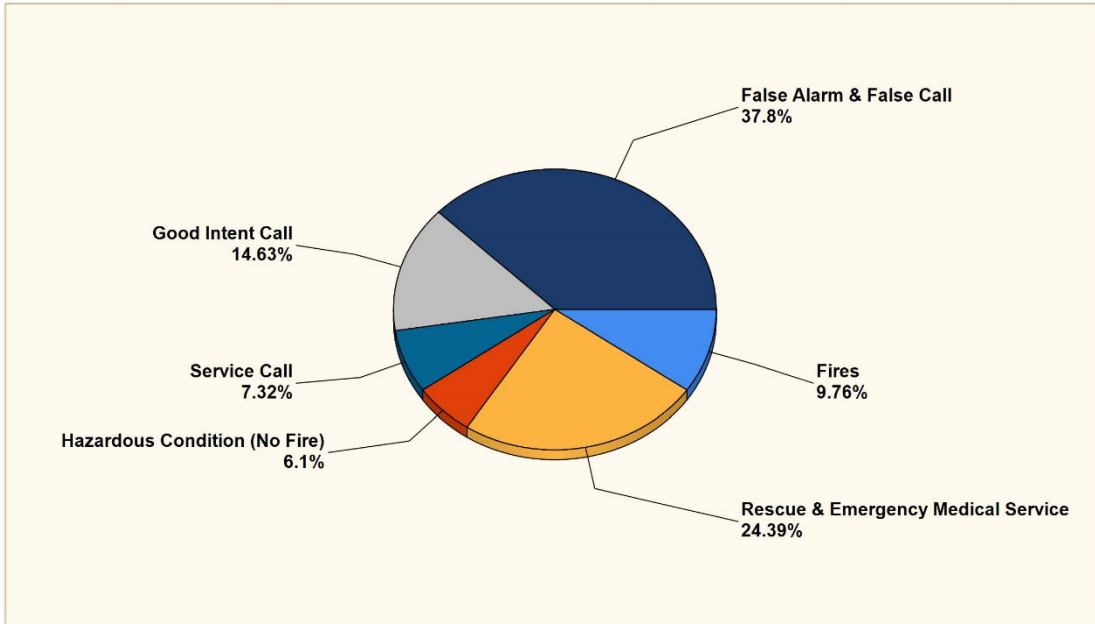
Tri Clover Fire Company

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Breakdown by Major Incident Types for Date Range

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 01/01/2022 | End Date: 12/31/2022



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	8	9.76%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	20	24.39%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	5	6.1%
Service Call	6	7.32%
Good Intent Call	12	14.63%
False Alarm & False Call	31	37.8%
TOTAL	82	100%

Only REVIEWED and/or LOCKED IMPORTED incidents are included. Summary results for a major incident type are not displayed if the count is zero.

Detailed Breakdown by Incident Type		
INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
111 - Building fire	5	6.1%
113 - Cooking fire, confined to container	2	2.44%
131 - Passenger vehicle fire	1	1.22%
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	6	7.32%
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	5	6.1%
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	7	8.54%
323 - Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)	1	1.22%
363 - Swift water rescue	1	1.22%
413 - Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1	1.22%
440 - Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	1	1.22%
444 - Power line down	1	1.22%
463 - Vehicle accident, general cleanup	2	2.44%
542 - Animal rescue	1	1.22%
551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	4	4.88%
571 - Cover assignment, standby, moveup	1	1.22%
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	6	7.32%
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	3	3.66%
650 - Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke, other	1	1.22%
652 - Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be smoke	2	2.44%
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	2	2.44%
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	11	13.41%
736 - CO detector activation due to malfunction	3	3.66%
741 - Sprinkler activation, no fire - unintentional	3	3.66%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	12	14.63%
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	82	100%

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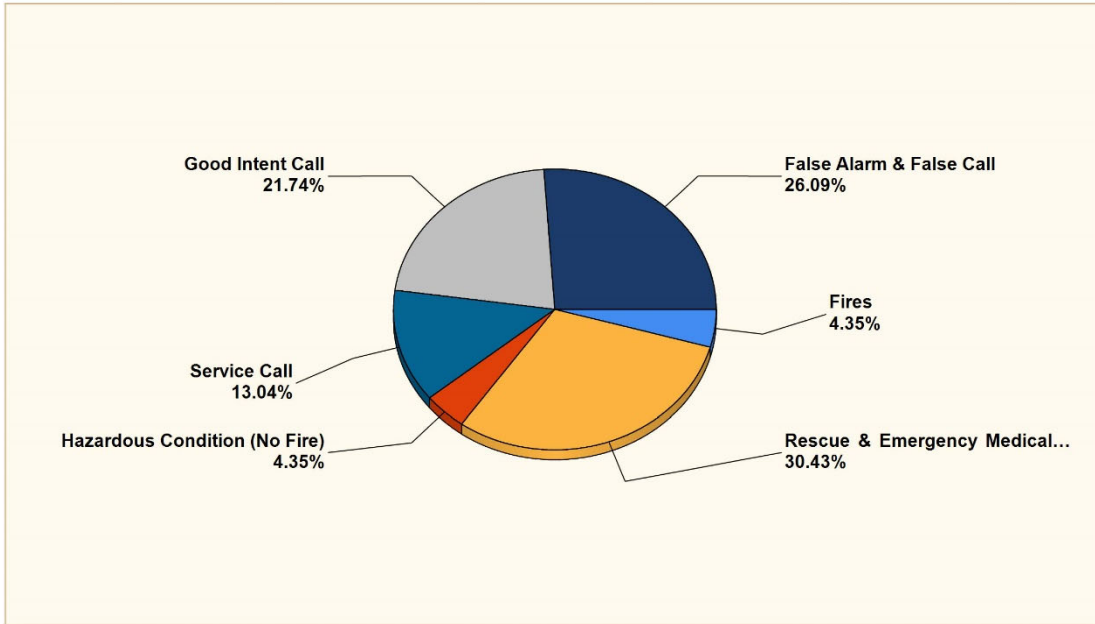
Tri Clover Fire Company

Orefield, PA

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Breakdown by Major Incident Types for Date Range

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 03/01/2022 | End Date: 03/31/2022



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	1	4.35%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	7	30.43%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	1	4.35%
Service Call	3	13.04%
Good Intent Call	5	21.74%
False Alarm & False Call	6	26.09%
TOTAL	23	100%

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Detailed Breakdown by Incident Type		
INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
113 - Cooking fire, confined to container	1	4.35%
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	1	4.35%
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	3	13.04%
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	3	13.04%
440 - Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	1	4.35%
551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	3	13.04%
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	3	13.04%
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	1	4.35%
650 - Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke, other	1	4.35%
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1	4.35%
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	1	4.35%
736 - CO detector activation due to malfunction	1	4.35%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	3	13.04%
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	23	100%

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Greenawalds Fire Company

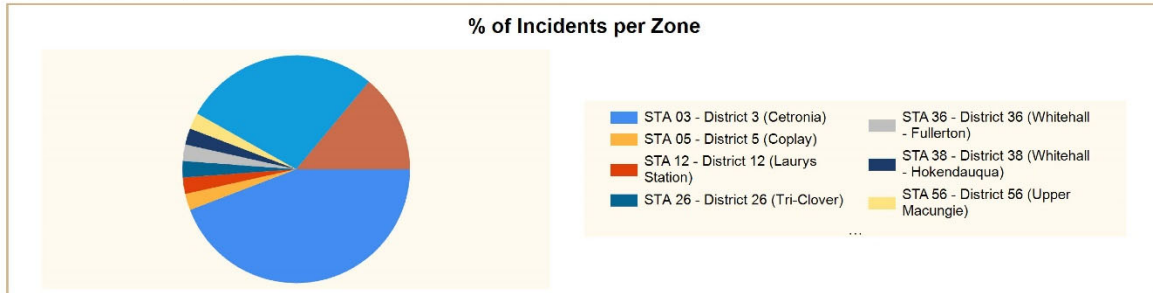
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Count of Incidents by Incident Type per Zone

Incident Status: All | Start Date: 03/01/2022 | End Date: 03/31/2022



INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
STA 03 - District 3 (Cetronia)		
111 - Building fire	1	2.33%
150 - Outside rubbish fire, other	1	2.33%
350 - Extrication, rescue, other	1	2.33%
353 - Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	2	4.65%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	14	32.56%
Zone: STA 03 - District 3 (Cetronia) Total Incident:		19 44.19%
STA 05 - District 5 (Coplay)		
111 - Building fire	1	2.33%
Zone: STA 05 - District 5 (Coplay) Total Incident:		1 2.33%
STA 11 - District 11 (Greenawalds)		
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	1	2.33%
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	2	4.65%
411 - Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1	2.33%
444 - Power line down	1	2.33%
551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	2	4.65%
600 - Good intent call, other	3	6.98%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	2	4.65%
Zone: STA 11 - District 11 (Greenawalds) Total Incident:		12 27.91%
STA 12 - District 12 (Laurys Station)		
111 - Building fire	1	2.33%
Zone: STA 12 - District 12 (Laurys Station) Total Incident:		1 2.33%
STA 26 - District 26 (Tri-Clover)		
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	2.33%
Zone: STA 26 - District 26 (Tri-Clover) Total Incident:		1 2.33%
STA 32 - District 32 (Woodlawn)		
352 - Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	1	2.33%

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410 - Combustible/flammable gas/liquid condition, other	1	2.33%
531 - Smoke or odor removal	1	2.33%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	3	6.98%
Zone: STA 32 - District 32 (Woodlawn) Total Incident:	6	13.95%
STA 36 - District 36 (Whitehall - Fullerton)		
111 - Building fire	1	2.33%
Zone: STA 36 - District 36 (Whitehall - Fullerton) Total Incident:	1	2.33%
STA 38 - District 38 (Whitehall - Hokendauqua)		
111 - Building fire	1	2.33%
Zone: STA 38 - District 38 (Whitehall - Hokendauqua) Total Incident:	1	2.33%
STA 56 - District 56 (Upper Macungie)		
111 - Building fire	1	2.33%
Zone: STA 56 - District 56 (Upper Macungie) Total Incident:	1	2.33%
TOTAL INCIDENTS FOR ALL ZONES:	43	100%

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