

# Genoa Township Fire/Rescue/EMS Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting

**October 3, 2023**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Chair, John McHale.
  - a. Attendance was recorded – Committee members present in person were Chris Chesson, Tracy Damschroder, Mary Fehskens, Jeff Gale, Fred Johnson, Duane Knauer, John McHale, Tom Munley, Tammy Sroufe, Trustee Mark Antonetz, and Fire Chief Joe Ponzi. Frank Michell attended virtually.

Absent were Chelsea Fuller and George Schultz.

The guest attending the meeting in person was Paul Keene.

- b. Motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from September 5, 2023, by Tammy Sroufe. Tom Munley seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. Update from Chief Ponzi.

- a. Run Stats Review

- i. Reviewed data for September 2023.
    - ii. All stats are in line with historical figures.

- b. Life Saving Awards.

- i. Captain Craig Downey, Firefighter/Paramedic Mike Getty, Firefighter/Paramedic Tony Criss, and Firefighter/Paramedic Ron DeLozier will be presented with distinguished Life Saving Awards at Thursday's (10/5/23) Trustee meeting for saving a resident who was in cardiac arrest.
    - ii. Another GTFD crew will be recognized at a future Trustee meeting for their success with another cardiac arrest survivor at Char-Mar Ridge Park. An off-duty firefighter was on the trail at the time and was very complimentary of our Genoa Township firefighter/paramedics for their skill and professionalism in saving this gentleman's life.

3. For Discussion

- a. Proposed Fire/Rescue/EMS Survey Questions - Tom Munley.
  - 1. Reviewed the draft questions and recommended several edits.
  - 2. Tom will update the draft questions based on comments from the committee and will submit them to Chief Ponzi and Leslie Strader (Genoa Township Communications Director) for their review.
  - 3. The goal is to have the final version of the survey available for the November 7<sup>th</sup> committee meeting.

4. Comments / Questions from the Committee

- 1. Reid Caryer has resigned from the committee.
- 2. The following committee members that have terms expiring on 3/31/2024 - Tammy Sroufe, John McHale, Tracy Damschroder, and Frank Michell - can re-apply for an additional 3-year term if desired.

5. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2023 (will be the final meeting for 2023).
- b. Meeting Schedule for 2024 (First Tuesday of the Month) - January 2, February 6, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, July 2, August - National Night Out, September 3, October 1, November 12 (Election Day 11/5), December (cancelled due to annual Holiday toy drive).

6. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.