

From the Desk of Chief Tim Sopkovich

Spring has officially sprung! As the weather warms up and we all head outdoors, the Township starts to hum with a bit more activity. To keep our community safe and peaceful, I wanted to share a few reminders and a look at what the department has been up to lately.

Spring Safety Reminders

With the windows down and the grills fired up, we tend to see a spike in specific types of calls. Here's how you can help us keep things neighborly:

- **Keep the Volume Down:** From loud radios and power equipment to the neighbor's barking dog, please be mindful of **Noise Ordinance #45-2020**.
- **Party Responsibly:** If you're hosting a get-together, remember that underage drinking and OVI (Operating a Vehicle Impaired) are strictly enforced. Also, keep an eye on your guests' vehicles—check **Parking Resolution #16-2009**. Please call the station if you will have an overnight vehicle in the road.
- **The Big Bang:** Planning a celebration? All firework regulations and safety guidelines are listed in detail on our website.

* You can find the full text for all our local resolutions and ordinances on the [\[Township Website\]](#).

March by the Numbers

Our department stayed busy last month. Here is a snapshot of our activity for March 2026:

Category	Total	Highlights
Total Calls for Service	327	34 Criminal Reports & 10 Accident Reports
Traffic Stops	99	Staying vigilant on our roads
Community Assistance	45	27 Welfare Checks, 13 Animal Control, 5 Lock-outs
Department Hours	424	160 SRO, 160 Detective, 104 Training Hours

Keeping Costs Down

With gas prices rising—our fuel costs for March hit **\$3,690.29**. To combat rising prices, the Board and Roadcrew Foreman Schultz are working with department heads to install a **Fuel Cell** at the Service Garage. This project aims to significantly lower fuel expenses for the Township in the long run.

 **A Note on the Upcoming Levy**

Early in-person voting begins tomorrow, **Tuesday, April 7, 2026**, at the Medina County Board of Elections.

On the ballot, you will find a **renewal levy** for our department. This is a vital part of maintaining the service and safety standards you expect. Please keep the department in mind when you head to the polls.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the levy or our operations, my door is always open.

Stay safe,

Chief Tim Sopkovich