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TO: Kennett Township Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Eden Ratliff, Township Manager  
SUBJECT: April 2022 Department Head Report

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## **1. Kennett Township Police Department Promotions**

I write to you with extraordinary news! We have an opportunity to celebrate two of our Officers; please join me in congratulating Cpl. Amanda Weinrich and Det. Miguel Juarez.

The Kennett Township Board of Supervisors, at the recommendation of Chief Gordon and myself, have authorized the promotion of Amanda and Miguel. Both accepted their promotions.

Amanda Wenrich has been with the KTPD since August of 2015 and quickly worked her way to Detective in October of 2016. She is now promoted to Corporal. Officer Miguel Juarez, who has been with the KTPD since April of 2017, was promoted to Detective. The contributions to this community from both officers are significant and the Board and I are confident that they will continue to serve the residents of Kennett Township in their new positions with the same level of excellence that we have come to expect. Their leadership and contributions to our department are ones that make us very proud and we are lucky they are part of our team. Congratulations Corporal and Detective.

## **2. Parkside**

The Parkside Land Development project has submitted subdivision and land development waivers to the Board of Supervisors for consideration. The project is being developed under the TND-1 design option which is the first land development project to do so in Kennett Township. The developer has found that there are provisions of the Township Subdivision and Land Development ordinance that conflict with TND-1 design standards. The conflicts have to do with stormwater management and street geometry. The waivers have been reviewed by the Planning Commission, Township Engineer, and Fire Marshall all who recommend approval with some conditions. The conditions will be dealt with in the final land development review process. Presentation of the waivers for approval by the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for May 2022.

## **3. Sewer**

The Borough of Kennett Square has proposed an amendment to the current Intermunicipal Sewer Agreement that seeks to clarify how sewer flows from the Township to the Borough are calculated and measured. In concept, the Township does not object to the intent of the amendment as clarification is needed in these areas. The Township Engineer, Solicitor, and staff have reviewed the amendment and productive meetings have taken place with the

Borough. Both municipalities strive to have finalized version of the amendment to propose to our respective governing bodies in the second quarter of 2022.

#### 4. 3-Way Stop Sign

The Kennett Township Police Department received communication from a concerned resident about dangerous driving conditions at Ewart Road and Chandler Mill Road. The intersection has been reviewed by the Police Department and Public Works Department who looked at crash data and sight lines. The recommendation is to install a three way stop sign to slow down traffic and allow for an easier turn on to Ewart Road. The intersection will be reviewed with the Township Engineer and a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors in May 2022.



#### 5. Spar Hill Insurance Recommendation

Our team has been working with the Township insurance carrier to identify mitigation measures that we can implement to safely open Spar Hill Farm to the public. The Board of Supervisors is currently working with the Township Historic Commission to identify which structures should be saved and if they can be rehabilitated and preserved. A contract for this work has been approved. In the meantime, the Township will be securing windows and doors on the structures to prevent entrance and exploring fencing options to create a secure perimeter. In addition, warning signage is also being developed to educate visitors about potential hazards. The goal is to complete these measures to allow for the farm to be opened by June 1, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted.

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Township Manager