



# MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP

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## Gahanna City Council Safety Committee Meeting

Fire Division Briefing – September 26, 2016

### Operational Updates

- Emergency response runs for the month of **August** included 839 EMS runs and 164 fire runs for a total of 1,003 incidents. 94 motor vehicle incidents occurred, 34 of which were on the freeway. There were 59 incidents involving unconscious or unresponsive patients – 10 of which were reported as cardiac arrests. There were 7 significant working structure fires, including one commercial structure fire in the Gahanna industrial park. This is an average of 33 runs per 24-hour shift.
- Emergency response runs from **September 1 through September 26th, 2016** included 694 EMS incidents, of which 76 involved motor vehicle accidents (26 on the freeway) and 12 non-breather/cardiac arrest calls. There were 123 Fire (non-EMS) incidents so far this month – 10 of which were working structure fires.
- Reminder to residents that Fire Prevention month starts October 1<sup>st</sup> and is the time the Fire Division calls to attention the importance of fire prevention in the home. Specific measures should be taken to ensure that smoke detectors are operational and that batteries are replaced semi-annually and that each family practices their fire escape planning and drilling. **Fire Prevention Open House is planned for 1-4 p.m. Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at the Rocky Fork Fire Station.** Contact the Division of Fire for more information or assistance.

### Administrative Updates

- The Board of Trustees approved the hiring of 1 additional full-time firefighter on September 1 for a total of 10 firefighters. Training is progressing as planned. Graduation is scheduled for 1830 hours on December 2, 2016.
- The Board of Trustees inspected and received three new ambulances on September 20<sup>th</sup> which are expected to be placed into service this week. Medic 131 (Rocky Fork Fire Station) has been labeled and is being prepared to go into service once the firefighter candidates graduate.

- The Fire Division has been working with City officials to prepare for and participate in the *Creepside Festival* on October 22 as well as the *Holiday Lights Celebration* in conjunction with *Touch a Truck* planned for November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- A sincere *thank you* is extended on behalf of Mifflin Firefighters and MECC Dispatchers for the Proclamation and public recognition of first responders by City Officials and then by the VFW during last Friday's Home Football Game.
- Please feel free to contact me directly with specific questions or concerns you may have about Fire Division operations.