

Grayzel Remarks
Township Committee Meeting
6/20/2012

Thanks to Bill Foelsh and his maintenance crew in the recreation department for keeping our baseball fields in great condition during the baseball season that just ended.

Last week I attended a luncheon to recognize our township municipal workers who worked many hours during the aftermaths of Hurricane Irene and the October Nor'easter. This luncheon was sponsored and paid for our insurance company. It was a thank you to the employees of Morris Township for working through these two storms without incurring any major injuries. Our workers worked all those hours without any significant injuries and no loss of time due to injuries. I spoke with our insurance agent at the luncheon and he explained that Morris Township gets preferential insurance rates because of the great safety record we have in our municipality. I would also like to recognize Karen Carman for her work coordinating the monthly safety review meetings and helping our department heads and staff to understand and implement workplace safety measures.

Congratulations to all of the Morris Township Police Officers were recognized earlier this evening in the Police awards ceremonies. It really shows what a quality police force we have in Morris Township and the quality of the officers that make it up. As an example, it was mentioned that officer Steven Crump was recognized for making 23 DWI arrests last year. As a whole in 2011, the Morris Township Police Department arrested 110 drivers suspected of driving while intoxicated. This is

almost one DWI arrest every three days and it shows how hard our officers are working to keep our streets safe.

The Morris Township Fire Department is having a Volunteer Firefighter Recruitment BBQ this Saturday, June 23. The dinner for the prospective firefighters will be from noon to 5 p.m. at the Hillside Fire Station located at 132 Western Avenue. More information can be found on the township website.

We all know how hot it was out today and tomorrow will be hotter. If you have an elderly or sick neighbor then please be neighborly and go over and check on them. There are some great heat advisory tips on the website for the federal Center For Disease Control. Go to www.CDC.gov for more information

Lastly, now that the Planning Board is completing its work I look forward the Township Committee, myself included, being able to delve into the Honeywell issue and providing my input to how this property is developed. I ask that the Mayor during his public commentary tonight inform the public of the projected schedule for this governing body to begin its review of the Honeywell plans.

Thank you.

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