



## Welcome Chief Kelley Warner

Solebury Township officially welcomed new Police Chief Kelley D. Warner at the July Board of Supervisors meeting.

Chief Warner has extensive experience in law enforcement,



both locally and most recently as the chief in Harrisonburg, Virginia, a department with over 100 uniformed officers. She has been a resident of Buckingham Township for the past 26 years.

"The hiring of a Police Chief is obviously one of the most important things we do," said Board of Supervisors Chair Mark Baum Baicker. "In addition to being pleased to hire her, we're happy to welcome her home."

Chief Warner started her career in 1989 with the Township of Abington Police Department. While in Abington, Chief Warner worked in the Patrol, Investigations, and the Community Policing Divisions. She rose to the rank of Deputy Chief of Police before retiring in 2021 and joining the City of Harrisonburg Police Department, Virginia, as their Chief of Police. Chief Warner has molded her career and life by serving the people within the community and the people with whom she works.

Chief Warner holds both a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degree from West Chester University. She also attended the

Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command, Class #313; in addition, Chief Warner was selected to attend the F.B.I. National Academy, Session 274. Chief Warner also served as an instructor for Pennsylvania State University as well as the New Jersey Association of Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership Training Program.

As Solebury's new Chief, Warner intends to continue and build upon the accomplishments of retired Chief Dominick Bellizzie, focusing on the professionalism and diversity of the Department with an emphasis on Community Policing.



**Passing the torch.** Outgoing Chief Dominick Bellizzie to Solebury's new Chief Kelley Warner: "It's a great Police Department. Kell, I know you'll follow through with it, they'll work hard for you, they'll do everything you ask, without exception."

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## Board Honors 'Past, Present and Future' of Solebury Police

The Solebury Board of Supervisors highlighted the Township's Police Department at its July meeting, commemorating the service of its outgoing Chief and formally swearing in his replacement, recognizing a long-time Sergeant's new role as the Chief of Police in New Hope Borough, administering the oath to Solebury's newest officer and promoting one of its veteran officers to Detective Sergeant.

"We're recognizing the individual officers who make up what we feel is the best police force in our area," said Supervisors Chair Mark Baum Baicker. "We really believe we're very fortunate here in Solebury, and have been for a very long time."

Dominick Bellizzie retired from the Solebury Police Department last month after serving as its Chief for 18 years, capping a more than 48 year career in law enforcement. Bellizzie led the effort to make Solebury a true 21st century Department, stressing modern training techniques, introducing body cameras and safer non-lethal weapons to the department, and achieving continuing accreditation from the Pennsylvania Police Chiefs Association for over a decade.

Bellizzie, assisted by incoming Chief Kelley Warner, presented commemorative plaques to the Township's 18 officers. A packed crowd of family, friends and scores of officers from surrounding municipalities were on hand for the event.

"I hope every police officer in here, including the chiefs, enjoy the job as much as I did," said Bellizzie. "You never have a bad day as long as you love the job, and I always did."

Detective Sgt. Jonathan Koretzky was formally sworn in to his new rank. Serving on the Solebury Police Department for over 20 years, Koretzky is a well-known figure

throughout the region, actively involved in community work through his role on the board of New Hope-Solebury Cares.

The Township's newest officer, Ryan Roche, was also sworn in at the meeting. A Solebury resident and graduate of Archbishop Wood, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps where he reached the rank of Corporal. He completed his police training at the Montgomery County Community College Municipal Police Academy.



Board of Supervisors Chair Mark Baum Baicker (right) presents outgoing Chief Dominick Bellizzie with a commemorative plaque honoring his service to Solebury, as Township Manager Christopher Garges looks on.

New Hope Borough's new Police Chief is no stranger to the Solebury community. Kevin Edwards, who was hired by the Borough in late spring, served as an officer in Solebury Township for nearly 30 years, the last 11 years as Sergeant and second-in-command to Chief Bellizzie.

The Board recognized Chief Edwards for his role in coordinating the accreditation process for the Solebury Township Police Department, and building a strong working relationship with the New Hope-Solebury School District.

Chief Edwards may be best known for his role in helping rescue an injured bald eagle along Pidcock Creek Road last year.



### Taking the Oath.

Bucks County District Judge Maggie Snow swears in Solebury's newest officer, Ryan Roche, along with newly-promoted Detective Sgt. Jonathan Koretzky and Chief Kelley Warner.

## Save the Date

### ***Join Point Pleasant Fire Co. No. 1 to Celebrate a Century of Service***

Point Pleasant Fire Company No. 1 will celebrate its 100th anniversary in September, marking a century of dedication, volunteerism, and community service. All members of the community are invited to join in a memorable afternoon filled with free food, refreshing drinks, fun games and activities. The celebration is a way for Point Pleasant Fire to express their gratitude to the community for your continuous support throughout the years.

The celebration will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14, from noon to 4 p.m. at Point Pleasant Fire Company, 6500 Point Pleasant Pike, Point Pleasant, PA.

Since its founding in 1924, Point Pleasant Fire Company has been dedicated to protecting the lives and property of the Point Pleasant community and its surrounding neighbors. This centennial milestone is an opportunity to reflect on the countless hours their dedicated, all-volunteer firefighters have selflessly committed to safeguarding our community.

The 100th Anniversary celebration promises to be a great event, filled with fun activities for

all ages. Some highlights of the day will include:

- Fire truck rides
- Truck tours
- Tours of our training building
- Hose play for the kids
- Smoke trailer demonstrations to safely experience how to escape a fire
- Medevac Helicopter landing and visit
- Live music
- Free food and drink for all
- And much more!

Please save the date and spread the word! This event will be open to the public, and you're encouraged to invite your friends, family, and neighbors. Together, let's create lasting memories as we commemorate a century of volunteerism. For further details and updates, visit Point Pleasant Fire's website, [www.engine41.com](http://www.engine41.com), or follow them on Facebook and Instagram.

If you or your business would like to be a sponsor of this event, please email [president@engine41.com](mailto:president@engine41.com) or call 215-297-5167.

## Eagle Fire Company

### ***Protecting Solebury and Vicinity for Two Centuries***

The Eagle Fire Company has served Solebury and its neighbors for over 200 years. Eagle is a nonprofit organization staffed by volunteers that answers your calls for fire, gas leaks, alarms, motor vehicle accidents, flooding, marine rescues and other emergencies 24/7.

We assist EMS, and Eagle Fire Police help with events, road closures, detours, and other safety concerns. Their volunteers are members of the community, your neighbors and friends. Eagle Fire saves the residents of our community significant taxpayer money each year by volunteering their time for duty. To serve our growing community, Eagle Fire has recently purchased a much-needed new truck, Quint 46, through a combination of loans and fundraising. They continue to recruit members to serve the community as firefighters, apparatus drivers and water rescuers.

Volunteering with the Fire Company offers personal growth and intangible benefits, making it a rewarding way to serve, protect, and impact our community. Contact the Eagle Fire Company at [recruit@nhefco.org](mailto:recruit@nhefco.org) if you are interested in volunteering. Eagle provides all required training, gear, and equipment to perform the requirements of the role safely and effectively.

For more information on the Company, follow them on their social media channels or visit [www.nhefco.org](http://www.nhefco.org).



# Central Bucks EMS

## Lifesaving Medical Services for Our Community

Central Bucks Emergency Medical Services proudly serves the Solebury community with an Advanced Life Support Response unit located at the New Hope Fire Department.



This service provides immediate Paramedic response to the Solebury community in time of need to assure quick advanced intervention during an emergency. The Advanced Life Support unit is staffed with a Paramedic with lifesaving technical skills, equipment, training, and medications to ensure the best possible outcome during a medical emergency or traumatic injury.

Thank you to our emergency services partners and the community for your

continued support and making this valuable lifesaving asset possible.



### Township Directory

#### Police:

Emergency? Dial: 9-1-1. Nonemergency? Call: 215-297-8201.  
General Inquiries: [Police2@soleburytpd.org](mailto:Police2@soleburytpd.org)

#### Administration:

Township Number: 215-297-5656  
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### Township Calendar

*Calendar information is subject to changes.  
Confirm all dates and times with the Township office.  
Meetings begin at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.*

#### August

- 8/1 6 p.m. Human Relations Commission (as needed)
- 8/5 6 p.m. Historical Architectural Review Board
- 8/13 Environmental Advisory Council
- 8/14 Zoning Hearing Board (as needed)
- 8/15 6 p.m. Land Preservation Committee
- 8/20 6 p.m. Board of Supervisors
- 8/21 Comprehensive Plan Committee
- 8/26 Planning Commission
- 8/27 Solebury Farm Committee

#### September

- 9/3 6 p.m. Board of Supervisors ~ Budget Session
- 9/4 6 p.m. Historical Architectural Review Board
- 9/5 5:30 p.m. Human Relations Commission (as needed)
- 9/10 Environmental Advisory Council
- 9/11 Zoning Hearing Board (as needed)
- 9/16 Sustainability Subcommittee
- 9/17 6 p.m. Board of Supervisors
- 9/18 Comprehensive Plan Committee
- 9/19 6 p.m. Land Preservation Committee
- 9/23 Planning Commission
- 9/24 Solebury Farm Committee
- 9/26 Parks & Recreation Board

#### October

- 10/1 6 p.m. Board of Supervisors ~ Budget Session
- 10/7 6 p.m. Historical Architectural Review Board
- 10/8 Environmental Advisory Council
- 10/9 Zoning Hearing Board (as needed)
- 10/10 5:30 p.m. Human Relations Commission (as needed)
- 10/15 6 p.m. Board of Supervisors

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