

MOUNT PLEASANT TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY INC. Est. 1950

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Dear, Mount Pleasant Township Supervisors and Residents

The goal of the fire department is to keep you and your families safe. Everyday we face challenges and today we face the challenge of COVID-19. The Mount Pleasant Township Volunteer fire company is still responding to your call for help. However, we need your help and encourage you to follow the advice of the CDC by practicing the following:

- 1. Social distancing
- 2. Stay home if you are sick
- 3. Cover coughs and sneezes
- 4. Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily
- 5. Try not to touch your face
- 6. Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water.

The fire department is taking the COVID-19 serious and has put protective directives in place to protect our first responders and to keep you safe from this disease that we are learning more about every day. Our responders will look different as we are wearing additional personal protective equipment. Our personnel are disinfecting the trucks, equipment and stations daily and after responding to each call. Fire prevention, Fire drills, public relations and station tours are currently suspended until further notice as we work to reduce the risk of COVID-19.

When calling 911, Let the call taker know if you or anyone in your home is experiencing flue Like Symptoms (Cough or fever). Before calling 9-1-1 ask your self is this really an emergency that is life threatening such as chest pain, stroke, trauma or other serious conditions like a fire or carbon monoxide incident. If it is, please do call 9-1-1 to request our services. If it is not life-threatening contact your primary care physician for advice over the phone. The observer reporter posted an article on March 23,2020 "When to call 9-1-1" Please do not dial 9-1-1 for non-emergencies or to ask about the coronavirus. If you want information on the coronavirus visit health.pa.gov or call 1-877-PA-HEALTH (1-877-724-3258).

Our commitment to protecting you and the community will be the same. We are in this together and need the community to be apart of the solution as we face this challenge. Our firefighters thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company.