

# CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

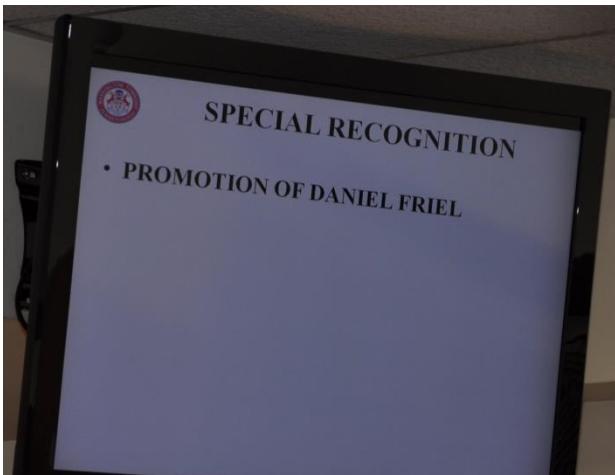
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**New Police Chief Appointed** - Warrington has a new Police Chief, Deputy Chief, Daniel Friel, was promoted and sworn in by District Justice Jean Seaman at Tuesday's Board meeting. Chief Friel is the fourth Chief in the history of Warrington Township. Chief Friel is replacing Police Chief/Interim Township Manager, James Miller, who will be leaving the Township early in 2016 after spending 39 years serving the residents of Warrington Township. Close family, followed by many of Chief Friel's colleagues from other police departments, fellow classmates from the FBI National Academy and members of the Warrington Fire Company were in attendance for the occasion. It was literally standing room only for this momentous occasion.

In 1996, Chief Friel began his employment with the Township, having served as Fire Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer, Deputy Fire Marshal, and Acting Fire Marshal before becoming a Township Police Officer in 2000. Deputy Chief Friel became a patrol supervisor (OIC) and Field Training Officer during his second year with the department. In 2007, he was promoted to the rank of Patrol Sergeant, and then became Sergeant of Detective's in 2010, Lieutenant in 2013 and Deputy Chief in August 2015. Throughout his career, Chief Friel received specialized training in leadership, command, supervision, field training, SWAT, counter terrorism, criminal investigations, and narcotics. He served 10 years as a tactical operator/team leader on the Bucks County South Central Emergency Response Team which is a regional SWAT team that covers Warrington Township. Deputy Chief Friel was also one of the organizers and original founding members of the Bucks County SWAT HAZMAT team headed by Chief Donnelly that was formed in 2005. He traveled around the country with his team mates for extensive specialized training through Homeland Security in Weapons of Mass Destruction and Counter Terrorism as part of their assignment with this team.

Chief Friel is a graduate of the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Command Institute (2008) and the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command (2010). In the spring of this year, Chief Friel was selected to attend the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia which is a top level professional development course for US and International law enforcement leaders. He graduated from the 260<sup>th</sup> Session in June 2015. Less than 1% of law enforcement officials ever get the opportunity to attend this academy. The FBI Behavioral Science Unit which teaches courses there asked Chief Friel if he would return to the Academy in the future to present a case study to another class. The case of interest was a double homicide investigation he investigated in 2011 and presented as part of his course requirements.

Good Luck Chief Friel!







**2016 Budget Adopted** - The Board of Supervisors adopted the 2016 Budget. The total expenditures total \$39.8 million, including \$12.8 million for the General Fund (used for daily operations of the Township such as Police and Fire Protection, Code Enforcement, roads, street lights and traffic lights). A complete budget document can be found on the township's website.

**Communications Update:** The Board voted to begin live streaming of Township Supervisors meetings. Look for live streaming to begin in early 2016. The Communications Advisory Board gave the Supervisors a few ideas for enhancing the videotaping of the meetings. One suggestion was to utilize multiple cameras to provide better coverage. The Board of Supervisors will revisit these options in 2016.



**Board of Supervisors:** The Board voted in Wayne S. Bullock as Supervisor to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Gerald B. Anderson. Mr. Bullock will give up his seat on the Zoning Hearing Board so he can serve as a Supervisor. Many of you may recognize Mr. Bullock as he regularly attends Township meetings and has served as a Township Supervisor twice before. Welcome aboard (back) Mr. Bullock!



**Interim Township Manager Appointed:** Chief Financial Officer, Barry P. Luber was appointed to the position of Interim Township Manager, effective January 1, 2016.



These were just some of the highlights of the meeting of December 8, 2015. To view the full meeting please visit the township's website [www.warringtontownship.org](http://www.warringtontownship.org) and click on Board Meeting video.

This feed will be available within the next three business days.