



Captain Michael FitzGibbon to Be Promoted to Chief of Police in Berlin Township

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To Our Valued Community Members,

It is with great anticipation and optimism for the future of our town and our police department that we announce the selection of <u>Captain Michael FitzGibbon</u> to be promoted as the new Police Chief for the Berlin Township Police Department. This appointment will mark the end of our shared service agreement and the esteemed services of Chief Louis Bordi from our neighboring town of Voorhees Township. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Chief Bordi, Voorhees Township Committee, and the Voorhees Township community for their unwavering support, dedication, and collaboration over these past three years.

After a meticulous selection process, we are pleased to introduce Captain Michael FitzGibbon as our new Police Chief. Captain FitzGibbon brings a wealth of experience, extensive knowledge in law enforcement, and a proven track record of fostering community trust. Captain FitzGibbon has demonstrated outstanding leadership and a steadfast commitment to public safety and community engagement.

The decision to appoint a new Police Chief is a significant milestone in our ongoing commitment to enhancing public safety, community trust, and localized law enforcement. We understand that the safety and well-being of our residents is paramount, and having a chief who will continue with the transition plan that was implemented is crucial to continue achieving our goals.



For the past three years, our collaborative arrangement with Voorhees Township has provided us with stability and continuity in law enforcement services. This shared service has facilitated leadership mentoring, fostered knowledge exchange, and delivered consistent public safety.

The decision to appoint Captain FitzGibbon to Police Chief stems from a comprehensive analysis of our town's current and future requirements. It is imperative that we have a leader who can continue with the recent initiatives, address our specific concerns, and implement innovative strategies tailored to our local dynamics.

Under the leadership of impending Chief FitzGibbon, our police department is poised to continue key initiatives designed to strengthen our community's security and well-being:

- Building stronger relationships between residents and law enforcement, fostering mutual respect, and facilitating open dialogue.
- Implementing targeted strategies and educational outreach to reduce crime rates and enhance public awareness.
- Maintaining a high standard of transparency to build trust and ensure accountability within the police department.
- Efficiently deploying resources to areas with the highest needs, ensuring prompt and effective response to incidents.
- And invest in ongoing training and development programs for our officers to equip them with the latest skills and knowledge.

We are confident that the appointment of Captain FitzGibbon to Chief of Police represents a new chapter of proactive, community-centered policing for Berlin Township. We look forward to the positive changes this leadership will bring and the continued collaboration between our police department and the residents we serve.

We sincerely thank you for your continued support and trust as we embark on this new era of law enforcement leadership. Together, we are committed to fostering a safe, vibrant, and united community.

Yours sincerely,

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Thank you for your attention to this important announcement, and we look forward to a future where our community not only feels safe but thrives under the dedicated and vigilant leadership of Chief FitzGibbon.