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Department of Public Safety to start dispatching for East Erie County on Dec. 18

Erie, PA – The Erie County Department of Public Safety’s 911 Center will begin handling dispatching services for East Erie County Emergency Communications beginning Tuesday, Dec. 18.

The East Erie County board of directors voted in January to dissolve its dispatching operation and instead use Public Safety’s system, which provides dispatching services for all other police, fire and EMS entities in the county, with the exception of Millcreek Township police.

Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper called the consolidation a smart move that saves taxpayers money while promoting collaboration and efficiency.

“In Public Safety, they say that seconds save lives,” Dahlkemper said. “By having all dispatching under one roof, we are increasing the efficiency of getting first responders to the citizens who need them most – saving seconds, saving minutes and saving lives.”

Harborcreek Township Supervisor Joe Peck, president of the East Erie County board of directors, praised the work of East Erie County dispatchers for their years of service and congratulated the Department of Public Safety “on the complete countywide unification of all 911 dispatching coinciding with the anticipated startup of the Next Generation Radio System.”

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