

**SUGARCREEK TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NO. 2015.05.04.02**

IN RE: Resignation of Part-time Fire Marshal Terry Trepanier

WHEREAS, Fire Marshal Terry Trepanier has submitted his letter of resignation from the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Trepanier has been a member of the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department since April 18, 2005; and,

WHEREAS, Chief Pavlak acknowledged in his April 22, 2015, correspondence that Mr. Trepanier has been an outstanding employee and he will be missed; and,

WHEREAS, Chief Pavlak recommends we accept the resignation of Terry Trepanier,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Sugarcreek Township Trustees officially accepts the resignation of Terry Trepanier effective April 30, 2015, and wishes him well in his retirement.



Nadine S. Daugherty, Chairperson



Michael E. Pittman, Vice Chairperson



Scott W. Bryant, Trustee



Theodore L. Hodson, Fiscal Officer



Randall J. Pavlak
Fire Chief

4/22/2015

To: Mr. Barry Tiffany
Ref: Terry Trepanier

Please place before the Board of Trustee's at the next meeting the resignation of Fire Marshal Terry Trepanier effective April 30, 2015. Mr. Trepanier has been an outstanding employee and he will be missed. We wish him well in his retirement. His resignation letter is attached.

Sincerely,

Randall J. Pavlak
Fire Chief



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April 20, 2015

Chief Pavlak,

I regretfully submit my resignation as Fire Marshal and member of the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department effective April 30, 2015, with my last scheduled day on Wednesday April 29, 2015.

I started this career as a senior at Centerville High School in 1973 as a recruit for the Washington Township Fire Department (WTFD) and retiring in 2007 as a Lieutenant with 34 years of service. While at WTFD I held many positions that rounded out my career and personal development.

Joining Sugarcreek Township Fire Department (STFD) in 2005 with the intention of keeping my EMS skills current and only staying here a short time, I quickly realized that working for a smaller department that you were more than just a name or unit number. My time at STFD has been rewarding and there has never been a day that I did not want to come into work. I think that says a lot of this organization, the elected officials, the government administration, and the leadership of the command staff of the department. And of course, those who I'll never forget, my co-workers.

During this 42 years of service I have had the opportunity to be involved in many programs, including to graduate from the third Paramedic class offered in the Dayton community in 1975. Seeing the changes of the EMS and Fire communities that have taken place has been phenomenal and to say the least, interesting.

I have brought new life into this world and watched as life ebbed from those we so desperately worked to keep on this earth. And always asking, did we do enough, what else could we have done. But always knowing, whatever we tried, the outcome would have remained the same. I have had to place my arms around friends, comfort them, and tell them their loved one's pain and suffering is gone. I have traversed the rubble of the World Trade Center with my canine, Woody, to search for signs of life, and never finding any with FEMA Ohio Task Force 1. And I have attended the funerals of my co-workers who have sacrificed the ultimate, giving their life so a stranger may live.

I thank you for giving me the opportunity to walk this path through life. It's not always been an easy path, but it has led me where many have not been able to go. And now it's time to follow a new direction, one that has been with me for a long time.



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And I leave you with this poem that is a favorite of mine and sums up where life's path will lead me:

NOBODY KNOWS IT BUT ME

There's a place that I travel,
When I want to roam
And nobody knows it but me.

The roads don't go there,
And the signs stay home
And nobody knows it but me.

It's far, far away and way, way afar,
It's over the moon and the sea,
And wherever you are going,
That's wherever you are
And nobody knows it but me.

-Patrick O'Leary

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Terry R. Trepanier".

Terry R. Trepanier