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Hunterdon Commissioners Name Patrick Horsch New Division Head of Communications

At the December 20th meeting of the Hunterdon County Board of County Commissioners, the Commissioners appointed Patrick Horsch as the new Division Head of Communications (9-1-1 Center).

Commissioner Susan Soloway who serves as liaison to the Department of Public Safety noted, “Mr. Horsch holds numerous certifications and accreditations from APCO International, which is the world’s oldest and largest organization of public safety communications professionals, as well as other agencies.”

Patrick Horsch started his career as a Public Safety Telecommunicator in Hunterdon County prior to leaving for a career in law enforcement that spanned over 20 years. Upon retiring from law enforcement, Mr. Horsch resumed his service with the Hunterdon County Communications Division in 2017 as a Public Safety Telecommunicator.

Patrick Horsch is well versed in public safety having completed over 1,200 hours of career enhancement training and possess numerous credentials including being certified with the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the New Jersey Criminal Justice Information System (NJ CJIS) and possesses New Jersey Firefighter I, II, and III certifications.

Beyond his professional experience as a dispatcher, Commissioner Soloway stated, “Mr. Horsch is a current member of Bloomsbury Hose Co. #1 where he has served in a variety of leadership posts.”

Public Safety Director Brayden Fahey added, “I believe that Pat will be a great leader within the Communications Division and given his background as volunteer firefighter and former law enforcement professional he will bring a unique perspective to our joint county-wide 9-1-1 center.”

Patrick Horsch noted, “I am honored by the Board’s selection and look forward to working with Director Fahey to advance the mission of the Communications Division on behalf of Hunterdon County’s residents.”

On February 1, 1977 Hunterdon County became the first county-wide agency to have 911 in New Jersey, and the only one that handled all emergency calls through one central communications center.