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**Subject:** \*\*\*MOT Possible SPAM\*\*\* FW: In Support of Keeping Mt. Olive's Rescue Squads for At Least One More Year

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Subject: In Support of Keeping Mt. Olive's Rescue Squads for At Least One More Year  
Date: 1/19/10 9:17:54 AM  
From: "ALEX KRAMER"  
To: mayor@mtolivetwp.org, Colleenlabow@mtolivetwp.org, ptobey@mtolivetwp.org, rgreenbaum@mtolivetwp.org, aroman@mtolivetwp.org, jmania@mtolivetwp.org, pwalsh@mtolivetwp.org

Dear Mayor and Town Council Members,

Tonight is the meeting everyone has been talking about. We are residents in this Township for almost 12 years. During that time two of our three children have had the need to use the Flanders' First Aid Squad twice. I would like to share some of our thoughts with all of you for consideration.

\*Why not form a study committee to look into this further? What is the rush to destroy two squads which have been in our Township for 50 years and to destroy them this evening with your vote?

\*Each municipality should be able to stand on its own in the event of a regional/state or national emergency. ELIMINATING these SQUADS will also REDUCE the Town's abilities to sustain itself with adequate TOWN EMERGENCY RESCUE SQUADS. We should not rely on outside SQUADS, which may or may not be available, during such regional/state or national emergencies. MT OLIVE SHOULD BE ABLE TO STAND ON ITS OWN AND NOT HOPE THAT OUTSIDE RESCUE SQUADS OR ATLANTIC HEALTH WILL BE THERE FOR OUR RESIDENTS WHEN THE NEED MAY BE THE GREATEST.  
THEY MANY NOT BE AVAILABLE.

\*WHAT IF....The region experienced a major disaster? Floods, like those which occurred in SPARTA many years ago? Severe Thunderstorms or Tornadoes? Blizzards? Ice storms? Freezing rain? Power outages? Multiple car accidents due to foggy weather? Trees down throughout the Township due to high winds? Train derailments? Plane crashes? Food poisoning? Explosions like that which occurred yesterday in Edison?

OUR EMERGENCY SQUADS ARE PART OF OUR TOWN'S HERITAGE AND HISTORY. THEIR DEDICATION AND SACRIFICE OVER THE PAST 50 YEARS DESERVES A POSTPONEMENT OF THIS MATTER PENDING A MORE IN DEPTH REVIEW.

MORE THAN EVER BEFORE WE LIVE IN TIMES OF GREAT UNCERTAINTY. WE ALL HAVE LIVED THROUGH 9/11 AND EACH AND EVERY DAY WE ARE THANKFUL THAT OUR HOMELAND HAS NOT SEEN A SIMILAR ATTACK. BUT IT MAY HAPPEN AGAIN. IT COULD AND PROBABLY WILL AFFECT ALL OF US.

WE MUST BE FOREVER VIGILANT. WE MUST ALWAYS BE PREPARED. AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR TOWN'S STRENGTH AND PREPAREDNESS SHOULD INCLUDE THE TOWN'S RESCUE SQUADS AND THEIR ABILITIES, DURING TOWN DISASTERS, TO MUSTER AS MANY EMERGENCY VEHICLES AS MAY BE NEEDED.

THE TOWN'S RESCUE SQUADS HAVE BEEN AT FOOTBALL GAMES, FESTIVALS, AND OTHER LARGE EVENTS. WILL ATLANTIC HEALTH BE THERE?

THE RESCUE SQUADS HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR TRAINING SCORES OF TOWN RESIDENTS IN FIRST AID WHICH, IN TURN, MAKES ALL OF US A BIT SAFER TO HAVE SUCH TRAINED PEOPLE AMONG US.

PLEASE DO NOT RUSH ANY DECISION TO ELIMINATE THESE SQUADS! THEY DESERVE A MORE THOROUGH REVIEW.

Sincerely,

Alex and Vicky Kramer  
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Flanders, NJ