

July 4th Fireworks

A new State law was recently passed that now allows the public use of “commercial grade” fireworks that have previously been illegal. Commercial grade fireworks are generally more powerful, go higher in the air, and create a louder report. It is expected that some Township residents will take the opportunity to utilize such fireworks in their celebration of Independence Day; likely well after dark. The Township Noise Ordinance, which generally prohibits such noise after 10:00pm, is pre-empted by the new State law. Pursuant to the new State law; celebration noise occurring within the 24 hours prior to and 24 hours after a national holiday, such as July 4th, does not violate the Township Noise Ordinance. Such noise complaints received during that time period related to a national holiday will not result in law enforcement activity. Marquette Charter Township administration and staff wish all a safe and happy celebration of Independence Day.