

Police confirm speeding on Old Airport Road

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Amity Township Police Chief Kent A. Shuebrook said he clocked eight vehicles that were going as fast as 55 to 60 miles per hour on Old Airport Road and two that were speeding in excess of 60 miles per hour.

Shuebrook told the Amity Township Board of Supervisors March 16 that he conducted eight surveys of 4,098 vehicles from 5:45 to 8 a.m., and from 4 to 5:30 p.m. between March 3 and 15 on the road that is posted at 40 miles per hour.

"There's a number of people who should be stopped there," said Shuebrook, adding that 2.3 percent of all vehicles exceed 50 miles per hour, .24 percent exceed 55 miles per hour, and .048 percent exceed 60 miles per hour.

He said he used tracker for the data and took a sampling of every fifth or sixth car.

Pennsylvania municipalities may not use Radar to catch speeders.

Amity Township police have used speed enforcement grants and partnered with the State Police, who can use Radar, to stop and ticket speeders on Route 422 west at Park Lane.

Richard Turgeon and John Nicoline, residents of south Old Airport Road, told the board March 2 that they fear for the safety of children playing on the sidewalks and people backing out of their driveways, because the people who speed on their road between 5 and 7 a.m. and 4 and 6 p.m.

They asked Amity Police to investigate the situation.

The board didn't take any further action after hearing the data on March 16.

In other business:

Township Manager Charles E. Lyon said the township's first quarter earned income tax payment exceeded last year's by \$11,000.

Amity Township Fire Chief Michael Zomolsky said the fire department is seeking new, part time paid fire truck drivers and will begin advertising in the local newspapers.

Township Solicitor Brian F. Boland said the township has received a \$200,000 settlement from Bancorp, Inc., which includes \$188,000 to replenish the escrow fund for the Pond View subdivision, Pine Forge Lane.

The escrow money will be used to make any necessary municipal improvements as part of the 18-month municipal improvements agreement.