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Rankin Residents:

There have been reports and discussions regarding the Borough's Police Department and the Borough contacting the State Police for services. To clarify the situation and dispel misconceptions about this matter, the following is what has occurred to date:

- Borough officials met with State Police representatives to discuss the possible need to fill / cover a shift, but not full-time 24/7 police services.
- A formal written request was provided to the State Police.

This decision was not taken lightly and is very much needed at this time. Please know that this was not a financial issue, but a lack of manpower issue. Our Chief is having a difficult time filling shifts.

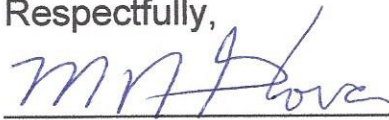
We have lost several part-time officers these past few months to full-time positions in school districts and hospitals, and we are having a difficult time replacing them.

As you may have seen in the news, there is shortage of police officers nationwide. We have been to meetings regarding police regionalization and

are participating in the regionalization study currently being conducted by PA DCED that is being encouraged by State and County officials due to this shortage. The shortage has begun to affect our department and we must take action to avoid disruption of service.

It is our duty as elected officials to ensure the safety of our citizens by providing adequate police services. The difficulty in filling shifts led us to this decision. We ask that our residents be understanding.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. N. Glova", written over a horizontal line.

M. Nicholas Glova, Mayor