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## **MESA Welcomes Wade Amick as Authority Manager**

The Board of Directors of the Municipal Emergency Services Authority of Lancaster County (MESA) recently appointed Wade Amick as Authority Manager. Wade replaces Scott Kingsboro, who has accepted a position with East Donegal Township.

Wade has deep roots in Lancaster County. He lives in West Donegal Township, where he has resided for nearly four decades.

With an emergency services career spanning over 30 years, Wade began his journey in the field as a student at Penn State University, where he enrolled in an EMT class as an elective. His career in EMS was solidified when he joined a local EMS agency in 1993.

Prior to his role as Authority Manager at MESA, Wade served as Operations Manager. Before that, he served in supervisory roles and as a paramedic at various EMS agencies. Wade is dedicated to assisting individuals in need and advancing the emergency services profession.

"I was drawn to EMS to directly help people," Wade said. "But I also thrive on the fast-paced nature of the profession. Every emergency call presents a unique challenge requiring the ability to think on your feet."

Wade is enthusiastic about contributing to the evolution of MESA's municipal-based EMS model, which is now serving as a model for other communities.

"I'm excited to be part of this new model, which is now being used by other communities and EMS systems that are struggling financially," he said. "MESA is an example of how municipal cooperation and public funding can ensure EMS is ready and available on a sustainable basis."

MESA, which began operating in February of this year, provides 911 emergency medical services previously provided by Northwest EMS to six founding municipalities including ours. Many of the people who work at MESA are the very same people who served our community when they were wearing Northwest EMS uniforms.

"We are the same great employees, providing the high-quality patient care and service that was provided by Northwest EMS," Wade said. "All of us truly care about our community."

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