

**PRESS RELEASE RE: MVFD**

While not unexpected, it is certainly disappointing that the Morris Volunteer Fire Department has decided to cease providing fire service to the Town of Morris. It is an unfitting ending to a department that gave 75 years of selfless volunteerism to our Town. Due to the declining membership over the past years and low response rates, causing the Town to rely heavily on mutual aid for our safety, the Town has been anticipating this decision. The Town has been working on a solution to this problem and will be providing seamless coverage to the residents beginning July 1st at midnight when the Morris Volunteer Fire Department shuts their doors. The transition will be orderly and we can guarantee that there will be no lapse in coverage. The surrounding towns have agreed to continue their aid to Morris during this transition time. We would like to thank the men and women of the Morris Volunteer Fire Department for their years of service and dedication to the Town. More information about future coverage will be coming as details are finalized.