

PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE  
PUBLIC INFORMATION RELEASE REPORT

STATION RIDGWAY CRIME UNIT	CAD/CASE NO PA 2026-85667
INVESTIGATING OFFICER TETTIS,A,12401 (704216)	DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT 01-20-2026 0330
NATURE OF INCIDENT DEATH ACCIDENTAL	
LOCATION MASSACHUSETTES AVE	
MUNICIPALITY(COUNTY) HIGHLAND TWP (ELK)	

PERSON(S) INVOLVED (Age based off incident occurrence date):

**VICTIM:** 76, M, JAMES CITY, PA

**VICTIM:** 78, F, JAMES CITY, PA

**VICTIM:** 21, F, JAMES CITY, PA

INCIDENT DETAILS:

On the above date and time, the Pennsylvania State Police Troop C Fire Marshal Unit and the Pennsylvania State Police Ridgway Criminal Investigation Unit were dispatched to investigate a residential fire. The investigation determined that three occupants were found deceased as a result of the fire. One additional occupant was transported to a hospital for treatment. The cause and origin of the fire remain under investigation.

Assistance on scene was provided by Highland Township Volunteer Fire Department, along with mutual aid from surrounding fire departments and Elkland Search and Rescue.

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