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National Public Safety Telecommunications Week Ceremony

The Murfreesboro Police Department, Murfreesboro Fire and Rescue Department, and the City of Murfreesboro honors local public safety Telecommunicators, the “first” first responders, this week in recognition of National Telecommunicators Week. National Emergency Telecommunicators Week was started in 1981 to put a special focus on public safety telecommunication professionals for their contributions to the safety and security of communities around the world.

To honor the Department’s dispatchers, a ceremony was held in the MPD/MFRD Communications Center. City Manager Rob Lyons presented a City Proclamation declaring this week “Telecommunicators Week” to Police and Fire officials.

Dispatcher Desir’ Thorpe was also recognized at the ceremony for being awarded the “MPD/MFRD Dispatcher of the Year Award”. Thorpe was chosen in part because “of her involvement in Team 911 and assisting the Communications Center without hesitation.” She will also be recognized at the annual Telecommunicator of the Year awards ceremony hosted by the Rutherford County Emergency Communications District on Thursday, April 13, 2017.

