

# Apt. Owners Asked To Upgrade Safety Precautions

A recent survey conducted by Media's Public Safety Committee shows that some apartments have inadequate outside lighting, faulty smoke detectors and sub-standard house numbers, according to Committee Chairman Robert McMahan.

The letters were sent to all apartment owners in the borough. McMahan said that the majority of owners comply, but the letter will serve as a worthwhile reminder to all landlords.

Ordinance 755 requires outside lighting during all hours of darkness.

Ordinance 749 required smoke detectors on each floor in the hallway, and in individual living units, to be functional.

Ordinance 744 requires that house numbers be at least three inches high and be displayed so they are easily recognized by police, fire and ambulance personnel.

Failure to comply with these regulations will result in a fine or penalty not to exceed \$300 for each day and each offense.

"Media is a very safe place to live mainly due to increased police patrols, our crime prevention program, and ordinances like those above that were proposed by our Public Safety Chairman," the letter states. "Our crime rate has been dramatically reduced because of the above measures. With your help we hope to keep Media a safe and enjoyable place to live," concludes the letter, signed by Media Code Enforcement Officer H. Gordon Grimditch.