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The Mercer County Prosecutor's Office recently completed its administrative investigation of allegations that Lawrence Township Police Chief Mark Ubry engaged in workplace harassment.

The MCPO was contacted by Lawrence Township administration on October 10, 2017, regarding allegations of inappropriate behavior involving Chief Ubry. Administrative complaints are typically investigated by the municipal agency's internal affairs unit. However, when the subject of such a complaint is a law enforcement executive, the investigation is conducted by the county prosecutor's office to avoid any conflict of interest.

Interviews were conducted of the complainant, Chief Ubry, and numerous sworn law enforcement personnel and civilian employee staff. Various documentation, policies and notes were also reviewed by the MCPO Internal Affairs Unit.

As a result of the investigation, Chief Ubry was charged with verbally reprimanding a subordinate in an unprofessional manner and engaging in an inappropriate conversation that was overheard by the same complainant. Although some of the allegations involved sexual harassment, those charges were not substantiated.

Any decision regarding disciplinary action would be made by Lawrence Township administration.

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