BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

A special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township was held on November 20, 2017, at 7:00 PM, at Fire Station 25 located at 7723 Hamilton Boulevard, Breinigsville, PA 18031. Those present were Chairman, James M. Brunell; Vice-Chairman, John "Sean" Gill; Supervisor, Kathy A. Rader; Township Secretary, Ashley Godshall; Bureau of Fire Director, Grant Grim; and Station 25 Fire Chief, William Gillespie.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss matters with volunteer fire company, Station 25, in Upper Macungie Township; any other issues that my come before the Board; and, to take any necessary action, if appropriate.

Chairman Brunell opened the meeting at 7:00 PM and asked all present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

DISCUSSIONS & UPDATES

--The Board of Supervisors held an open discussion at this public meeting with members of the three volunteer fire companies in Upper Macungie Township, specifically Station 25, who attended the meeting. The following topics were discussed:

- Standard Operating Guidelines: ceremonial issues, certifications and training;
- Role of the Township with regard to the Fire Companies;
- Equipment Needs
- Annual funding and potential projects*;
- 1099s;
- Community outreach: DigitalFeast, video boards, billboards, announcements at Fireworks, newsletter, social media
- Potential earned income/property tax credit for firefighters;
- VC Gill is working with Uline to get paper products and other goods necessary to operating a facility donated to the volunteer Fire Companies.

*Chairman Brunell made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Rader and unanimous, to have the Township Manager set a date, likely in April, for the lump sum of annual funding to be delivered to each of the three Fire Companies. The Fire Companies will then be responsible for submitting a report and accompanying receipts, if available, at the end of each year. If money is being set aside for a multi-year project, those funds will be disbursed by the Fire Company into a separate account for each individual project and detailed in the annual report.

Upon a motion by Chairman Brunell, seconded by Supervisor Rader and unanimous, the meeting is adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Ashley A. Godshall, Township Secretary

