

I. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township was called to order on June 14, 2022 at 7:05 p.m. in the Good Will Fire Company No. 1 of Trexlertown PA, 7723 Hamilton Boulevard, Breinigsville, PA 18031. Present were James M. Brunell, Chairman; Sunny Ghai, Vice-Chairman; Kathy A. Rader, Supervisor; Robert R. Ibach, Jr., Township Manager; Kalman A. Sostarecz, Jr., Township Secretary; Peter Christ, Director, Bureau of Fire

Chairman Brunell opened the meeting and asked all present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

II. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

None

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution #2022-23 – Recreation Fee Schedule Update

Mr. Ibach stated that as he has mentioned at the past few meetings, Lower Macungie Township and Upper Macungie Township staff have been working toward reciprocal use of the LMT Pool and UMT's Splash Park, and to allow residents to purchase a pass at a reduce rate. A resolution has been prepared to update the Township's Fee Schedule to begin charging the new rates.

Motion by Chairman Brunell to adopt Resolution #2022-23, updating the Township's Recreation Fee Schedule. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Ghai. The motion passed unanimously.

B. General Matters Related to the Volunteer Fire Departments of UMT

Mr. Christ gave a brief update on items from the last meeting at Good Will Fire Company No. 1 of Trexlertown PA which was in 2021. Ms. Linda Gorr stated that one of the items was a combined insurance policy for all three departments, but it was not pursued as not all three wanted to participate.

They thank the Township for all their support with the building and property upgrades through utilizing the American Rescue Plan funds, in conjunction with a grant obtained by Senator Pat Browne.

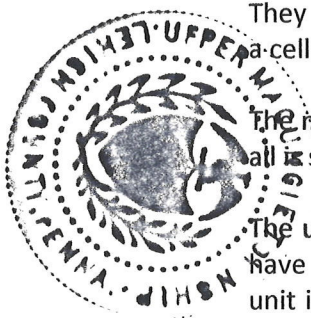
They are working with Crown Tower who wishes to erect a monopole on their property on which a cell service will be located. They will net \$1,350 per month in leasing fees.

The new fire apparatus is being released from manufacturing in the middle of the month. When all is said and done it will cost approximately \$900,000.

The utility truck chassis was found and the Board authorized purchase earlier in the year. They have now found a body and that will be on a future Board meeting as a request to purchase. The unit it is replacing, 2511, is currently at Station 56 and they will remove the equipment that is being transferred.

The tarp that is on 2521 is in bad shape. They will obtain price quotes and bring that to the Board at a future meeting for replacement.

Mr. Josh Ashmar discussed recruitment and retention and how it is not getting results. A grassroots effort is needed, getting involved in neighborhoods, going to HOA meetings, and creating a task force of all three departments.



Lengthy discussion was had regarding the future of the fire services in Upper Macungie Township. Whether a hybrid version is the answer, as well as having one fire chief in charge of all departments. Potential locations for a new fire station were discussed, as was who would determine the level of training needed.

Mr. Roger Conrad stated that their annual 9/11 Service would be held on September 11th at 1pm.

III. OLD BUSINESS

None

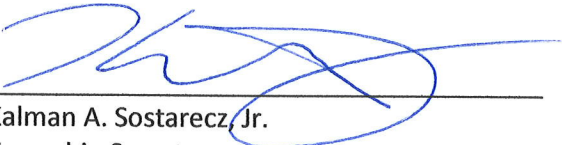
IV. PUBLIC COMMENT/COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, **Supervisor Rader made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Ghai. The motion passed unanimously.**

Submitted by:



Kalman A. Sostarecz, Jr.
Township Secretary



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