A Noise Ordinance Workshop was held with the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township and was called to order on March 26, 2024, at 6:30:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031. Present were Jeff Fleischaker, Chairman; Sunny Ghai, Vice-Chairman; Robert R. Ibach, Jr., Township Manager; Kalman A. Sostarecz, Jr., Assistant Township Manager and Director of Community Development; Jazmin Vazquez, Township Secretary; Andrew V. Schantz, Esq., Solicitor; Cory Reader, Lieutenant, UMTPD; Mike Sitoski, Chief, UMTPD; Daren Martocci, Township Engineer; Dayna Bowen, Sound Consultant; and Katherine Wyrosdick, Michael Baker International.

Chairman Fleischaker 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.

I. OPENING REMARKS

Chairman Fleischaker mentioned that the Township has identified several issues to discuss and is working on a plan to move forward with the Noise Ordinance.

II. COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING THE DRAFT ORDINANCE

The floor was open to public comment.

Residents Scott Keller and Steve Roth spoke about the noise that is heard from Jake Brakes. Sean Gil mentioned that they should reach out to their State Representatives to use their voice on the state level.

Christine Gerveski, Jim Caffery, Peter Kristler, Mark Messics, and Mark Sedora, all voiced their concerns with noise issues around the township that include industrial noise, frequency levels, enforcement actions, and the pros and cons of qualitative versus quantitative ordinances.

III. PROFESSIONAL INPUT INTO DRAFTING CONSIDERATIONS

Dayna Bowen, Sound Consultant, and Katherine Wyrosdick of Michael Baker International provided information on ordinances that have been ordained in other areas and answered questions from the Board as well as the public.

IV: BOARD DISCUSSIONS & NEXT STEPS IN DRAFTING AND PRESENTATION

Chairman Fleischaker stated that the Board would like to defer this discussion to the General Business Meeting that will be held on April 4, 2024. This deferral would allow the Board Members time to review the information that was provided during the workshop and to provide guidance to staff and consultants for a draft ordinance.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Supervisor Brunell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Ghai. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by:

Jazmin Vazquez

Township Secretary