

TOWNSHIP OF MUHLENBERG
ORDINANCE NO. 612

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MUHLENBERG, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RECOGNIZING MUHLENBERG TOWNSHIP FIRE & RESCUE, INC. AS AN OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED FIRE COMPANY TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION AND RELATED SERVICES TO THE TOWNSHIP OF MUHLENBERG; AND AUTHORIZING ACTIVITIES OF THE FIRE COMPANY, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE FIRE COMPANY FOR THE PURPOSE DEFINING PUBLIC FIREFIGHTING DUTIES.

SECTION 1. FIRE COMPANY RECOGNIZED.

Muhlenberg Township Fire & Rescue, Inc. (herein referred to as the “Fire Company”) organized and existing in the Township of Muhlenberg, Berks County, Pennsylvania, is hereby designated as an officially recognized Fire Company for the Township of Muhlenberg, Berks County, Pennsylvania (herein referred to as the “Township”) for the purpose of providing services as set forth herein when necessary or appropriate.

SECTION 2. AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES OF THE FIRE COMPANY.

All approved activities below shall include travel to the event or traveling first to the Fire Company and then proceeding to the event and on return, traveling to the Fire Company and /or directly returning to the active participant’s home, place of business or other place where he or she shall have been before engaging in the activity:

a. The Fire Company is hereby authorized to provide such services to the Township as may be necessary for the protection of property and persons situate therein, which include, by way of example and not of limitation, the extinguishment and prevention of loss of life and property from fire, automobile accidents, medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, and other dangerous situations.

b. The Fire Company may also provide non-emergency and public service functions, such as, again by way of example and not of limitation, removing water from property after storms, and assisting in the removal, abatement and prevention of damage or injury to persons or property, whether through natural causes or man-made situations.

c. The Fire Company may also conduct and participate in such training activities and drills, either within or outside of the Township, as may be deemed necessary by the officers of

the Fire Company to maintain proficiency in providing service. The company may also respond to calls and provide services to municipalities outside of the Township.

d. Attendance of meetings related to any function of the Fire Company, wherever such meetings are located, including but not limited to Fire Company meetings, municipal government meetings, and County meetings.

e. The provision of necessary operational support to the Fire Company, which may not include responding to emergency calls. Operational support shall include, but not be limited to, maintaining the station and equipment, acting as trustee, organizing and participating in fundraisers and community events, providing information technology support and outreach services, assisting with recruitment, and other administrative tasks.

f. In addition to participating in the activities of the Fire Company as authorized above, the Township authorizes the first responder members of the Fire Company to engage in the performance of any other duty or activity authorized by any officer of the Fire Company.

SECTION 3. AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES OF MEMBERS OF THE FIRE COMPANY.

a. In addition to actually participating in the activities of the Fire Company as authorized above, or in going to or returning from any activity, the members of the Fire Company recognized by the Township are also authorized to do the following things:

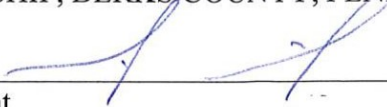
1. Engage in any type of drill, training, ceremony, practice, test or parade when duly called for or authorized by an officer or officers of the Fire Company; and
2. Engage in lawful fundraising activities for the Fire Company, when authorized by an officer or officers of the Fire Company and by the Township.

SECTION 4. PURPOSE.

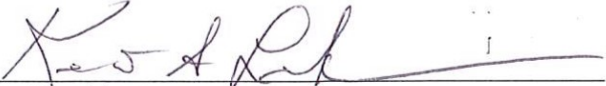
The purpose of this Ordinance is to recognize the Fire Company as an official Fire Company of the Township, and to state additional authorized activities for firefighters. This Ordinance shall replace and update Ordinance #334, as enacted on March 15, 1999 by the Township.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED at a duly assembled public meeting by the Township of Muhlenberg Board of Commissioners this 15th day of May, 2023.


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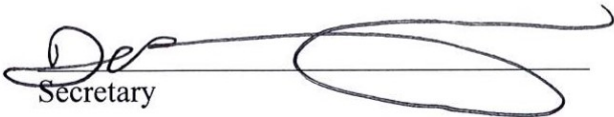


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