

This meeting called to order by Mr. Edward Sullivan, Chairman of the Board. Board members present were Mr. Larry Harrison, Mr. Jeffrey Shula, Mr. Timothy Gwynn and Mr. Charles Konkus. Also present were Mr. Donald Black, EADS Engineers, Mr. Michael Korn, Solicitor, Mr. Alexander Graziani, Township Manager, Mrs. Mary Perez, Director of Finance, Mr. Dallas Leonard, Director of Community Development, Mr. Scot Fodi, Public Works Director, Chief John Otto.

Level Green Volunteer Fire Department Special Public Meeting held at 6:45 P.M.

Mr. Korn – We are here for a public hearing that has been duly advertised pursuant to IRS regulations and the purpose of this hearing is to take any testimony or evidence regarding whether the Level Green Volunteer Fire Department should qualify for a tax exempt loan. I do know that nobody from the Fire Department is going to be here to testify. I can put on the record that the Fire Department is requesting this loan in order to purchase a piece of firefighting equipment. The specific thing they are asking for, Larry do you remember what they are specifically asking for?

Mr. Harrison – A \$37,000 loan from S&T Bank for purchase of a 1993 pumper truck from the Swissvale Fire Department.

Mr. Korn – Thank you Larry. I will say that from my review of the documentation and the requests prior to this meeting I have determined that to the best of my knowledge that this loan does qualify as a tax exempt and therefore under IRS regulations should be something that the Fire Department should be able to obtain. If there is anyone here to present evidence to contrary they can do so at this time and if not I guess we can just close the record at 7:00 because it doesn't appear anyone is here.

Mr. Leonard – Is that something the Township is underwriting?

Mr. Korn – No we are not doing an underwriting we are not taking any we are not involved in the loan in any way we are simply, we are following IRS regulations we are required, not we, the Fire Department but we are doing it for them in order to save them some money. We must advertise and hold a public hearing and take any testimony. The IRS requirement is in order to qualify for tax exempt status 90% of the expenditure must be for firefighting purposes so this is the opportunity to be any testimony that requirement would not be met. This was advertised in the paper and it doesn't appear anyone is here to offer any testimony for or against.

Mr. Sullivan – Okay are there any questions. This would be Resolution 29/2017.

Mr. Korn – And once this hearing is closed I have already prepared a letter to S&T Bank certifying on behalf of the Township and the Fire Department that they will qualify for this loan.

Mr. Graziani – Do you have a copy to sign because I have one to sign.

Mr. Korn – I have an electronic copy but I'll take yours.

Mr. Harrison – I'll make a motion to approve the resolution as stated.

Mr. Konkus – Second. Call Vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sullivan closed the special hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Alexander Graziani, Township Secretary