

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor DeGiralamo opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

- 2. **“Sunshine Law” Statement** – Adequate notice of this special public meeting has been published in the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News, posted on the municipal bulletin board and the Township website in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. This notice has also been filed in the Municipal Clerk’s office.

3. FLAG SALUTE

4. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Mr. Mazza	x	
Mr. Hirt	x	
Mr. Stiger	x	
Mr. Lordi	x	
Dr. DeGiralamo	x	

Others present: Grace Brennan, CFO, Robert Clerico, Twp. Engineer and Ella M. Ruta, Municipal Clerk

5. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

- a. Discussion of 2022 Municipal Budget and other matters that may come before the Township Committee.

CFO Brennan stated the State provided guidelines regarding allotment and proper accounting of American Rescue Plan Act funds in the 2022 Budget. Ms. Brennan said she is working with the Township Auditor on appropriate distribution of those funds in the budget.

The following items were discussed:

Salaries – in continuing the discussion from prior meetings the Committee agreed on a 3.5% salary increase in 2022.

Fire and Rescue Allotments – after talking and debating variables about the four Fire and EMS companies servicing the Township the Committee agreed to contribute \$40,000.00 (fourty thousand) to Quakertown Fire Company. CFO Brennan was directed to add 2% to the Fire and Rescue line item. Percentage of allocation to different Fire and Rescue organizations will be determined at a later time when additional information is provided and available to the Committee.

Capital Budget – maintenance of roads, purchase of equipment and amount of reserve to be kept in the capital budget was thoughtfully considered. The Committee agreed upon issuing notes for road improvements in 2022 and keeping a reserve of \$550,000.00 in the capital budget.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, Mr. Stiger made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hirt seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:02 PM

Ella M. Ruta, RMC
Municipal Clerk