

# BUCKINGHAM TOWNSHIP

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## **BUCKINGHAM TOWNSHIP Board of Supervisors Work Session Agenda August 27, 2025 5:00 p.m.**

5:00 p.m. Executive Session

5:45 p.m. Midway Volunteer Fire Company

6:15 p.m. Request for Waiver of Land Development – Forensic Rock, 3291 Route 202,  
TMP 06-010-120, adding a roof over the existing porch

**Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors**  
**Work Session**  
**Minutes**

The work session of the Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors was held August 27, 2025 in the Township Building, 4613 Hughesian Drive, Buckingham, Pennsylvania.

Present:	Maggie Rash	Chairman
	Jon Forest	Vice-Chairman
	Paul Calderaio	Member
	Dana S. Cozza	Township Manager
	Daniel Gray	Township Engineer
	Craig A. Smith, Esquire	Township Solicitor
Not Present:	Luke Rosanova	Bucks County Planning Commission
	Gary Weaver	Township Water/Wastewater Consultant

5:00 p.m. Executive Session was held to discuss ongoing McArdle, Lykon, Feeney and Froehlich litigation, police personnel and potential conservation easement offers.

**5:50 p.m. Midway Volunteer Fire Company**

President Lee Forsythe and Chief Tom Benscoter were present to thank the Board of Supervisors for approving a tax increase funding their services, and to the tax collector for including a note with the tax bills describing the minimal increase directed to the fire departments.

President Forsythe updated the Board with the current 10-year plan, showing a 2.4% rate of inflation for the next 10 years. He said the plan does not include fire equipment and apparatus, which is expected to increase 18-22%. He said a lot of the equipment is within the 25 year range and needs to be replaced. President Forsythe said they are pretty good through 2029, but year 2030 may start a deficit. He explained they apply for as many grants as possible, including a FEMA grant of \$300,000-\$400,000 for replacement of breathing apparatus equipment, and will apply for a statewide grant for a Local Share Account (LSA) which distributes revenue to various municipalities. Mrs. Cozza said the LSA grant is on the Board's business meeting agenda tonight authorizing the staff to prepare and submit the application on behalf of Midway Volunteer Fire Department.

Mrs. Cozza asked if there was a particular truck they were looking to buy, and Chief Benscoter replied that they are planning to sell a 28 and a 21 year old truck, and purchase one brand new truck that costs approximately \$1.2-\$1.5 million, and takes about 2-4 years to have delivered once ordered. He said this would reduce their bigger fleet of apparatus and cut back on maintenance costs.

Mrs. Rash asked about available firefighting personnel, and Chief Benscoter replied it varies based on the type of calls. He said they average over 16 persons per call, which is very high compared to other companies who get 9-10 and then heavily rely on other fire companies to help them out.

President Forsythe said they are having their annual event at the Candlewick in Buckingham on September 7<sup>th</sup>, and the Fire Prevention Open House at the Lahaska station on October 11<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Cozza asked President Forsythe to email her the flyers, and the township will post them on social media to help spread the word.

**Request for Waiver of Land Development – Forensic Rock, 3291 Route 202, TMP 06-010-120, adding a roof over the existing porch**

Mr. Shawn Harrington, owner of Forensic Rock and Mr. Mike Steere were present to discuss their request for a waiver of land development in order to add a roof over an existing porch on their building. Mrs. Rash noted the illustrations in the submission materials speak for themselves and added that the building looks good. Mr. Harrington thanked Mrs. Rash and said they rehabbed the building.

Mrs. Cozza noted the zoning officer reviewed the request and had no objection to the granting of a waiver of land development. Mrs. Cozza said the request is on this evening's business meeting agenda for consideration.

6:30 p.m. The work session was adjourned.

**Approved by the Board of Supervisors on the 24th day of September, 2025.**

**Buckingham Township Board of Supervisors**

Maggie Rash, Chairman

Jon Forest, Vice-Chairman

Paul Calderaio

Attest:

Dana S. Cozza, Township Secretary

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori Wicen.*