

Upper Makefield *Township*

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TO: Township Manager
CC: BOS, P&Z, Engineer & Solicitor
FR: John C. Kernan - Fire Marshal Chief FM-272
RE: Monthly Update

Investigations

- Investigating and followed-up on all township-wide fire alarm calls dispatched by Bucks Radio Room
- Reported “Rubbish Fire” Washington Crossing State Park “Incendiary Fire” intentionally set fire in fire pit that was left unattended
- Reported “Wires Outside” Old Dolington Road “Accidental” storm related
- Reported “Fire Investigation” Swayze Avenue “Incendiary Controlled Burn” smoke in area

Projects / Initiatives / Training

- Developed and distributed “Fireplace Fire Safety Guidelines” article for Sol Feinstone & Co-Op Nursery, local media, township website, cable channel & homeowner’s associations
- Monitoring Sunoco / Energy Transfer daily abatement logistics throughout the township
- Continued and ongoing in classroom presentations for extended Fire Prevention Week activities at Sol Feinstone School
- Updated and forwarded Fire Marshal Curriculum Vitae / Overview FM Responsibilities, Certifications and Duties / FM Timelines and Contributions to Township Manager
- Training “Lithium-Ion Batteries – A Street Level Understanding” 2 hours - efi Global
- Training “Decoding Complex Claims: Kitchen Fires” 4 hours - National Fire Experts
- Attended annual meeting “Bucks County Hazard Mitigation Planning” Doylestown, PA 11/7/25

Inspections & Reviews

- Sol Feinstone School storage locations and outbuildings
- Co-Op Nursey School
- Crossing Church School
- Energy Transfer equipment staging and activities throughout the township
- Plan Review - Colonial Farms outdoor parking lot temporary refrigeration storage containers
- Cinco-de-Mayo restaurant – follow up inspections
- Washington Crossing Inn - kitchen hoods and suppression systems
- 1112 Taylorsville Road vacant commercial building requires securing openings against unauthorized entry
- Plan Review: Windy Bush Road driveway entrance gate and pillars * three separate review locations
- Plan Review: Wrightstown Rd – Subdivision
- Plan Review: Lord Sterling – Business Occupancy
- Plan Review: Taylorsville Road – Variance Proposed New Home
- Plan Review: Buckmanville Road – Fence
- Plan Review: Lord Sterling & River Road – new business application