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**August 23, 2022**

**Tobyhanna Township, 105 Government Center Way, Pocono Lake, PA 18350**

**Fire Ordinance Update**

The Tobyhanna Township Board of Supervisors regret to announce to the Public that the Tobyhanna Township Volunteer Fire Department voted to remove themselves from Fire Service as of 8/23/2022. A letter was sent to the Supervisors by Fred Buck, attorney for the Fire Dept stating in substance that “ if the Fire Ordinance is adopted in its present form the Fire Company will not agree to operate as the officially recognized fire company for the township”. As this decision to remove themselves was made solely by the members of the Fire Department, the Board of Supervisors wants to ensure the residence and visitors of Tobyhanna Township that there will be NO interruption of Fire services to the Township and surrounding areas.

Tobyhanna Township Board of Supervisors

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*Tobyhanna Township is located in the heart of the Pocono Plateau Region of Northeastern Pennsylvania. With a functional daily population of nearly 35,000, Tobyhanna Township has an eclectic blend of residential communities, charming shopping districts, small businesses, recreational opportunities, and destination entertainment venues that make up a great quality of life. Tobyhanna Township is the proud home of the Pocono Bike and Hike Trail System that blends over 28 miles of a variety of eco-tourism and heritage tourism with walking trails, bike trails, over 130 acres of pristine Pocono parks at the Austin T. Blakeslee Natural Area, plus a 1.7-mile walking path on the historic Wilkes-Barre and Eastern Railway Trail that borders the Revolutionary War interpretative site of Hungry Hill. Tobyhanna Township is a progressive and growing municipality located in the quad county corner of northwestern Monroe County and borders Carbon, Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties.*

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