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The Supervisors have their regular meeting monthly on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Municipal Building. The first meeting of the New Year is always on the first Monday in January at 7:30 pm.

The Municipal Building is available for room rentals for parties of 50 to 75 people. The rent is \$40 and includes the use of the kitchen.



January 1st. the Oneida Township Fire Company joined with the Huntingdon Fire Department and McConnellstown fire company to form the Huntingdon Regional Fire and Rescue. The new organization has been very busy working to better serve the residents of our service area. As a result of successfully obtaining a grant from FEMA, We have obtained a state of the art thermal imaging camera that allows fire fighters to find victims faster and quickly locate hidden fires. Also the grant replaced the self contained breathing apparatus and protective

clothing at the Oneida station. HRFR commissioned a fire study to aid in future planning. The members have been active in training and fundraising as well as providing emergency services. We continue to need more members from the Oneida Township area. Any interested resident can get more information by visiting our website www.hrfr65.com or contacting any station for an application. Please check the website to keep up with all our activities and the latest news.

TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOUR SNOWPLOWERS

With the coming of winter and the plowing of snow, there are a few things to remember: Please do not park on the roadway during the winter months. Do not plow your driveways into the roadway. Remember that the road right-of-way extends beyond the blacktop therefore mailboxes and yard ornaments

should be placed back away from the road, not right up against the blacktop.

The plowing schedule is done in conjunction with the school bus routes, making sure their roads are cleared first.

And please remember to **slow down** and keep

OUR
NEW
LOOK



Have you noticed the changes to the Municipal Building and Fire Hall? The Portico at the front entrance, new paint, and new picnic tables are all visible as you drive past. Inside work is being completed also. Paint, ceiling tile replacement and soon-to-be remodeled bathrooms are all part of a major up-grade to our facility. Built in the early 1970's, the building was in need of the renovation.

Major projects happened in 2007 with a new roof and in 2008 when replacement windows were installed. This helped out with the heating bills, tremendously.

How did we do all this in tight budget times? In 2009 we saw an unexpended amount of \$20,000 at the close of the fiscal year. That money was set aside and designated for building improvements and minor equipment purchases.

A new mower for the grounds was purchased this spring. McGraw Deck Structures designed and built the entrance Portico. Recycled plastic picnic tables were added this summer.

A request to SCI-Smithfield for the "Community Work Crews" assisted us with labor at no cost for the painting and other work. They have done an excellent job. Interior painting is not finished yet, but will be continuing as the weather cools.

We hope you will enjoy the "new look" of your Municipal Building and Regional Fire and Rescue as you attend meetings, visit us to vote or conduct township business.

Tax Per Capita Resolution

Oneida Township has recently enacted an Ordinance that requires the registration of rental property. Landlords are required to provide a list of tenants to the Township.

Owners of real property situated in Oneida Township who rent or lease any parcel of real estate for residential purposes, in whole or in part, to another person or persons are required to file with the Township Secretary a list of all such persons who rented real estate from the owner during the preceding twelve (12) month period, January 1 through December 31. The deadline for filing this report to the Township is January 31, 2011.

The certified list of all renters shall include the name of each person eighteen (18) years of age or older who resided in said real estate for all or a portion of the twelve (12) month period. The fact that the owner of said real estate rents or leases any property for minimal or no rent to another person shall not exclude said owner from filing the required list.

Along with the list of names of the renters, the name of the property owner, the address and phone number of the property owner, the number of rental units (apartments) per each property and the address of the rental property are required to be submitted.

In addition to collecting this information for per capita tax, the Township Supervisors believe that this information will be useful in the future for other purposes. The information will aid the Township in the development of recycling programs and in determining its eligibility for various funding programs for the benefit of the Township and its residents.

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