

PUBLIC NOTICE MIDDLE SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP (Pub. March 26)
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE

The Board of Supervisors of Middle Smithfield Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, hereby gives public notice of its intention to consider for adoption, and if appropriate adopt, the following proposed Ordinance at its regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, April 26, 2018, at 7 p.m., in the Township Municipal Building, 147 Municipal Drive, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. A public hearing will be held at the aforesaid meeting to consider the proposed Ordinance, and all interested persons are hereby given notice to attend the meeting and to offer such testimony in relation to the proposed Ordinance as they desire. The title and summary of the Ordinance is as follows: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP, MONROE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 176, PART II, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE SMITHFIELD, AS HERETOFORE AMENDED; ADDING TO CHAPTER 176 AN ARTICLE V, VOLUNTEER SERVICE CREDIT PROGRAM; ESTABLISHING LOCAL TAX CREDITS FOR QUALIFIED VOLUNTEER MEMBERS OF VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES AND NONPROFIT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AGENCY; AND ESTABLISHING ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES AND APPEALS. The proposed Ordinance establishes a Volunteer Service Credit Program. The goal of the Program is to encourage membership and service in volunteer fire companies and non-profit emergency medical service agencies that serve the Township of Middle Smithfield. The Ordinance authorizes a tax credit of up to \$250.00 of earned income tax levied by the Township for active volunteers who had been certified under the Township's Program. The Ordinance further authorizes a real property tax credit of 10% of the volunteer's Township real estate tax liability on qualified real property.