PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Pocono Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a Public Hearing to be held at 6:00 p.m. on December 2, 2025 at the Pocono Township Municipal Building (112 Township Drive, Tannersville, PA 18372) special Board of Commissioners Meeting, for an Ordinance adopting a Budget and Appropriating Funds estimated to be required for the Purposes of the Government of the Township of Pocono and Fixing the Real Estate Millage Rate for the 2026 Fiscal Year.

Copies of the Budget along with the proposed text of the Ordinance summarized below may be examined by any citizen of the Township of Pocono at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, 112 Township Drive, Tannersville, PA during normal business hours. The following is a summary of the Ordinance in reasonable detail:

ORDINANCE 2025-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF POCONO, COUNTY OF MONROE, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING A BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP OF POCONO, AND FIXING THE REAL ESTATE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE 2026 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, Article XVII, Section 1701, et seq., of the First-Class Township Code, 53 P.S. 56701 et seq., requires, inter alia, that the Pocono Township Board of Commissioners prepare and adopt a budget which shall reflect as nearly as possible the estimated revenues and expenditures of the Township for the year for which the budget is prepared; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriation shall not exceed revenues available for the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the tax levied by the Pocono Township Board of Commissioners shall be fixed at such figure within the limit allowed by law as with all other sources of revenue shall meet and cover such appropriations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Pocono, County of Monroe, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section I:

That for the expenses of the Township of Pocono for the fiscal year 2026 the following amounts are hereby approved and appropriated from the receipts estimated to be available for said fiscal year for the specific purposes set forth below, which amounts are more fully itemized in the Budget Form on file in the Office of the Township Manager, as follows:

GENERAL FUND

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Taxes	\$ 7,416,108
Licenses and Permits	150,100
Fines & Forfeits	65,000
Interest, Rentals and Royalties	104,908
Intergovernmental Revenues	436,833
Charges for Services	932,762
Special Assessments	0
Other Operating Revenue	7,000
Other Financing Sources	8,959,401
Opening Balance	\$ 7,750,882

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE \$25,822,994

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

General Government	\$ 1,450,816
Public Safety	4,949,924
Public Works	1,966,057
Cultural-Recreation	423,687
Debt Service	6,240,378
Employer Paid Benefits	328,192
Insurance	187,484
Transfer to Capital Reserve	4,513,478
TIF & Other Expenses	<u>\$ 217,000</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 20,277,016

PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$ 5,545,978

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Estimated Revenues	\$ 9,601,361
Opening Balance	0
Total Funds Available	\$ 9,601,361
Estimated Expenditures	9,601.361

PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$0

^{*}Source is general fund transfer and grant revenue

STATE LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND

Opening Balance	0	\$
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Estimated Receipts 433,157.93 Total Fund Balance 433,157.93 Estimated Expenditures 433,157.93

PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$ 0

SEWER OPERATING FUND

Opening Balance	\$ 6,074,471
Estimated Revenue	<u>4,940,980</u>
Total Fund Balance	11,015,451
Estimated Expenditures	<u>4,169,200</u>

PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$ 6,846,252

SEWER CONSTRUCTION FUND

Opening Balance	1,135,573
Estimated Revenue*	800,000
Total Fund Balance	<u>1,935,573</u>
Estimated Expenditures	<u>1,441,500</u>

PROJECTED FUND BALANCE \$ 494,073

SPECIAL FUND – FIRE TAX FUND

Opening Balance	\$ 300
Estimated Revenue	403,096
Total Fund Balance	403,396
Estimated Expenditures	403,096

Section II:

Real estate taxes will decrease to 3.0861 mills per dollar of assessed valuation for the 2026 Township of Pocono fiscal year and special purpose fire tax mills will remain at 0.301.

^{*}Transfer from operations and interest

ATTEST:	BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF POCONO TOWNSHIP
KRISANN MACDOUGALL	RICHARD WIELEBINSKI
Asst. Secretary	President, Board of Commissioners