

Firm completes renovation project for insurance agency

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SAGE Design-Build Inc. of Upper Macungie Township completed a construction and renovation project for the Patrick McNealis Insurance and Financial Group's new Emmaus office.

Patrick McNealis, which has offices in Bethlehem and Nazareth, recently added an Emmaus office.

Joe Landrigan, president of SAGE, said his firm renovated the second floor of a two-story building on Harrison Street in Emmaus for use as a new office for Patrick McNealis, owner of the building.

The company, which has 26 employees, needed more space for its expanding business, said McNealis.

The company closed its Tilghman Street office, he added.

"I was looking for more space, space that had parking, and I looked for a year," McNealis said.

McNealis decided to buy the Emmaus location and said he likes the more suburban setting.

"We have a lot of workstations, we have a good flow for our customers," McNealis said.

The new office has more dedicated space for staff to meet with clients and also has a large conference room.

"We like the look of the building and having some space around us," he said.

Landrigan said his firm completely gutted the second floor, which was about 2,500 square feet. The project took about two months to complete and included adding higher ceilings, LED lights and larger windows.

"The one physical change here is he really wanted to get ceiling heights as high as possible," Landrigan said. "We were able to raise the ceilings throughout for him to give a really nice, open look. He ended up changing the windows to more standard office-size windows so that was a nice improvement for him."

SAGE was responsible for both the design and construction of the project.

McNealis also has two other tenants remaining in the building on the first floor.



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