

# **Middle Township Fire District #2**

January 15, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Sal DeSimone. Mr. DeSimone stated that notice had been given to the Herald Newspapers, the official paper and is posted on the bulletin board of the Middle Township Municipal Hall as required by P.L. 1975, c231, the Sunshine Law.

Roll call was taken with commissioners Sal DeSimone , Conrad Johnson, Robert Zimmerman, Kirby Stiltner, and Jean Zimmerman present. Mr. Thomas Phelan, Attorney and Rich Sweeten were also present. Rodney Haines, Accountant was absent.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None at this time

**OLD BUSINESS:** Sal DeSimone, Conrad Johnson and Mr. Phelan went to settlement on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 for the property bought next door for a total of \$222,465.00 that included all the costs. Sal received an estimate of \$9,750.00 from Mitch Nichols for clearing the lot.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Result of the Public Hearing was that no one showed. Motion Kirby Stiltner, second Robert Zimmerman to approve the budget as read.

Sal read the resolution approving the purchase of the new truck through HGAC. It was decided to pay the chassis prepayment of \$377,000 with the balance due at delivery. This would be approximately a \$14,000.00 savings. (Contract price is \$731,780 with \$125,000.00 trade-in and discount for the chassis prepayment. Sam Squire of Pierce Fire Apparatus said delivery time is approximately 11 months. Sam also said a performance bond was needed before any money could be exchanged. Sal would like to have a \$20,000 discount and asked Sam how much would have to be paid to get that discount. Sam would find out and let Sal know on Friday (next day) and if acceptable will come to the fire house on Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> and sign the contract.

Kirby Stiltner's petition was received for the February 21, 2015 election. Jean said she had asked Doris Wisting and Terry Van Artsdalen to sit at the polls for the elections. Motion Robert Zimmerman, second Conrad Johnson to pay each \$150.00 for their time at the polls from 2-9pm on Saturday, February 21, 2015. Information for changes on the ballot was also discussed.

iPads were discussed for the commissioners. Motion Conrad Johnson, second Kirby Stiltner to buy 5 iPads for the commissioners and Mr. Phelan.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** 12 fire calls including first structure fire with the standby companies responding (Erma and Audubon); new officers in office; Ralph Porch's funeral was held; mutual aid changes being made.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Sal DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Conrad Johnson second Kirby Stiltner, of \$15,930.81 with modifications to the commissioners' salaries from \$200.00 to \$250.00. Motion carried.

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary