

Middle Township Fire District #2

February 20, 2014

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, Kirby Stiltner, Robert Zimmerman and Jean Zimmerman present. Mr. Thomas Phelan, Attorney, Kirby Stiltner Jr., Bob Sweeten, Rich Sweeten, Dan DeSimone were also present. Rodney Haines, Accountant, was absent. (Robert Zimmerman left after Re-Organization meeting due to illness)

COMMUNICATIONS: Returned approved budget from the state

OLD BUSINESS: Connie researched the air packs agreement. It was found that we made a deposit in January, 2010 of \$22,500 and the first payment of \$48,565.03 in December 2010. Second payment made of \$48,565.03 in December 2011 and third and final payment of \$48,566.03 in December 2012. Total agreement was for \$149,850.00 with 7% interest for 30 air packs

Election results were given: Robert W. Zimmerman: 29 ballots + 31 mail-in = 60; Conrad Johnson Jr. 32 ballots + 32 mail-in = 64; Budget – Yes: 33 ballots + 25 mail-in = 58, No: 2 ballots + 11 mail-in = 13; Truck – Yes: 32 ballots + 24 mail-in = 56, No: 2 ballots + 12 mail-in = 14

NEW BUSINESS: Bob Sweeten said that we should have the specs for the new truck by September's meeting.

Kirby discussed the 2014 Ford Expedition costing \$32,331.23 under a state contract from Municipal Equipment Enterprises. Motion Kirby Stiltner, second Conrad Johnson to purchase the 2014 Ford Expedition. Sal DeSimone abstained, Vote Aye from Conrad Johnson, Kirby Stiltner and Jean Zimmerman, Robert Zimmerman absent.

Sal then discussed a 2014 Ford Super Duty F250 truck with an 8 ft bed that he can get with a state contract for less than \$37,000. Motion Conrad Johnson, second Kirby Stiltner not to exceed \$40,000.00 for purchase of Ford F250 under state contract. Vote Aye: Sal DeSimone, Conrad Johnson, Kirby Stiltner and Jean Zimmerman; Robert Zimmerman was absent With the purchase of these two vehicles Sal asked that they be lettered and that the Suburban and police car be returned to the commissioners.

Bob Sweeten had a fireman application for Steven B. Smearman Jr. Motion Sal DeSimone second Kirby Stiltner to accept the application for Steven B. Smearman Jr.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 32 fire calls, annual gear order, to beat price increase to outfit 8 firemen, is \$17,000 with a 6 weeks delivery time; would like to replace computer software with Fire House Software for \$1,800/year for five (5) years at a total cost of \$9,000.00. Will wait until Sal has a chance to talk to Rodney Haines concerning the money; maintenance to be done on the trucks

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sal DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Conrad Johnson second Kirby Stiltner, of \$26,613.22. Motion carried.

Jean Zimmerman
Ssecretary