

MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

February 16, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Conrad Johnson. Mr. Johnson 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 Conrad Johnson, Robert Zimmerman, Kirby Stiltner, and Jean Zimmerman present. Attorney Mr. Thomas Phelan, Kirby Stiltner (son), Robert Sweeten and Rio Grande Fire Company Chief Rich Sweeten were also present. Sal DeSimone, Rodney Haines, Accountant were absent.

COMMUNICATIONS: Middle Township Tax Assessor sent the Certification of Fire District Budget form to be filled out after the elections

Middle Township Tax Assessor's taxes for 2016 was received

NJ State Fire District December's minutes

List of dates Rio Grande Fire Company used the lot for drills was received

Correspondence from Atlantic City Electric asking permission to do some test boring on the lot for one day. Due to litigation it was decided to decline their request.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Phelan stated that the suit against the township has begun. Middle Township wanted to know if the lot was being used for public use. The township also wanted to move the case from Superior Court to Tax Court because we never appealed the 2015 taxes. Mr. Phelan does not want to move to Tax Court. Our hearing on February 17th was postponed.

Robert Zimmerman said that the tax returns supplied to Trinity Solar were not what they were looking for. They want the information on a spreadsheet that we don't have. Ronald Panebianco would like to give us an estimate based on what we spend on electric.

A reminder that elections are on Saturday, February 18th from 2-9pm

Kirby Stiltner had a list of purchases that were over \$5,000.00 and will send to Rodney Haines, accountant.

NEW BUSINESS: Robert Sweeten said he will try to have the LOSAP by next meeting. He also said he had attended Safety Meeting today and was given flyers of OSHA safeties

CHIEF'S REPORT: 47 fire calls; all 2016 bills have been turned in; I Am Responding phone service will be renewed for one year at \$800.00; county chiefs' meeting had mutual aid agreement for the county; looking to upgrade lights on the utility truck; county radio procedure manual was adopted on county system; drill on February 22 will be smoke breathing drill by Fire & Safety; ordered five new gears to beat increase in price; new member Brianna Peter was in fire school and had to drop out because of her job; obstacle course drill proved to be interesting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Conrad Johnson read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Kirby Stiltner second Robert Zimmerman, of \$20,293.49 Motion carried.

[Jean Zimmerman, Secretary](#)