MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

March 15, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Salvatore 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 Salvatore DeSimone, Conrad Johnson, Kirby Stiltner, Robert Zimmerman and Jean Zimmerman present. Attorney Mr. Thomas Phelan, Robert Sweeten, Jim Snyder, Kirby Stiltner Jr., Aaron Sill, Dan DeSimone and Rich Sweeten, Rio Grande Fire Company Chief were also present. Rodney Haines, Accountant was absent.

COMMUNICATIONS: none at this time

OLD BUSINESS: Jean Zimmerman went over the election results. Kirby Stiltner had 19 votes plus 27 absentee votes for a total of 46. There was one write in, Howard B. Graham, one vote. The budget had for Yes – 22 votes plus 23 absentee votes for a total of 45; No had 5 absentee votes for a total of 5.

Bob Zimmerman spoke with Mike Kennedy at the Board of Elections concerning the voting machines. He said the county does not charge for the machine but you have to pay for the ballots printed by Leader Printers. Bob spoke with Dennis Hall, Leader Printers, about the ballots. An estimate for 300 ballots plus various necessities for the machine ballots was \$2,450.

Bob Zimmerman said the solar system is still getting papers in order.

NEW BUSINESS: Aaron Sill and Dan DeSimone said the generator was moving forward and they were looking for prices on fencing; the company came down to disassemble the old generator. Total cost will be \$36,590. Down payment of \$15,000 was given and balance is due at completion within the next 2-3 weeks

Aaron said he was looking at price estimates for electrical wiring in the bay; he thinks they are not grounded properly and are affecting the trucks. Ballpark estimate is \$15,000 to \$17,000

Bob Sweeten said we should have received the Accident and Health policy bill for \$1,610. Spoke of LOSAP saying the list is posted for any appeals. There is one appeal. Deadline is April 5th for any appeals. Bill for LOSAP will be either 22 at \$1100 for a total of \$24,200 or 23 at \$1100 for a total of \$25,300 depending on the appeal outcome. There was a question concerning military service for LOSAP. Mr. Phelan said the resolution does not include weekend drills.

\$1,000 was received from Green Creek Fire Company for the gear of Wayne Harris

Truck Committee is forming for the rescue pumper to be replaced. Will use HGAC again.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 64 fire calls; had their first working fire in 14 months at a trailer that used 123 gallons of water; drivers went to Cardile's to put up concrete barriers to avoid parking; had good air packs training with Villas Fire Company; drill was held on ways to pack and load hoses; had a quote of \$2,400 for hose drying rack but was able to get rack for \$1,200 from fire company in Trenton using grant money from Wawa; Kirby was able to have a refrigerator donated by the soda company

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salvatore DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Robert Zimmerman second Conrad Johnson, of \$15,286.35 Motion carried.

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary