## MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

## **April 20, 2017**

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, Robert Zimmerman, Kirby Stiltner, and Jean Zimmerman present. Attorney Mr. Thomas Phelan, Robert Sweeten, Kirby Stiltner Jr., Buster and Helen Graham, Jim and Walter Jr. Belles, Tim Weidman and Rio Grande Fire Company Chief Richard Sweeten were also present. Rodney Haines, Accountant was absent.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** letter from Middle Township and document for JIF

**OLD BUSINESS:** Sal DeSimone read the letter from Middle Township concerning the overbilling of JIF for the last couple of years.

Bob Zimmerman said he has talked with a third solar company who has an unique proposal. They have a 25 year warranty on the solar panels with a ten (10) year payment at a fixed rate of \$1,498.52. It was suggested to have Rodney Haines, accountant, look at the proposal.

Bob Sweeten said the LOSAP numbers have been posted for 30 days and there is one appeal. That appeal would be looked into. There are 26 eligible at the moment. If the appeal is confirmed, there would be 27 eligible at a cost of \$29,700.00

**NEW BUSINESS:** Resolution for LOSAP and active military duty was read. Motion Conrad Johnson, second Kirby Stiltner to accept the resolution as read. All commissioners present voted aye to accept.

Resolution extending the Fire Protection Agreement with Rio Grande Fire Company and Fire District #2 of Middle Township was read. Motion Robert Zimmerman, second Conrad Johnson to accept the resolution as read. All commissioners present voted age to accept.

Bob Sweeten had a handbook from the State of New Jersey Municipal Fire Departments

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** 99 fire calls; the new number system has been instituted; there is a change in the running order; had a meeting with other chiefs and the Middle Township police chief who said there will be no dispatch switch anytime soon; setting up for the water supply drill; new pump received for the five ton; \$2,500 grant was received from Wawa; Walter set up to Atlantic

County for flash over; blue light permits being taken care of; Ted Bohn looking for somebody to paint the five ton; will be removing the tarp from the five ton; plans for Walmart expansion was received; questioned the operational use of 7201 – Sal said that would come through the chief; Kirby asked about changing the numbers on the trucks and Rich said they would not be changed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Salvatore DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Robert Zimmerman second Kirby Stiltner, of \$32,399.09 Motion carried.

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary