

MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

April 21, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Robert Zimmerman. Mr. Zimmerman 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 Robert Zimmerman, Conrad Johnson, John Menz, J. Gregory Neill and Jean Zimmerman present. Also present were Rio Grande Fire Company President Scott Aaron Sill, Rio Grande Fire Company Chief Howard Graham, Bob Sweeten, and Skip Jastremski. Richard Braslow, Attorney and David McNally, CPA of Holt McNally and Associates, were absent.

COMMUNICATION: It was suggested to have the minutes emailed prior to the meeting for review by the individual commissioners. If any questions, they can be discussed at meeting. Motion Greg Neill, second Conrad Johnson to forego the reading of the minutes. All commissioners voting aye.

Jean Zimmerman reminded everyone that their Financial Disclosure is due by April 30th, 2022 per an email from Emily Bowman at Middle Township.

OLD BUSINESS: Conrad Johnson asked about the credit card purchase by the fire company that we were reimbursing. An invoice for \$3,625.20 was received from the fire company for the tablets and cases.

NEW BUSINESS: Greg Neill said he looked over the fire bureau to see what he could do to help Danny with his questions and problems. He has had several meetings and emails with Danny and said there is an issue with fees being sent out. Greg thinks that the state is giving Danny the run around and feels that Danny was doing everything correctly.

Greg Neill said there is an issue between Fire Districts #1 and #2 concerning food trucks. He stated that everything is run by ordinances and they can't be decreased or increased unless both Fire districts approve and then the township approves and puts into law. He had a question about two ordinances regarding permits. Thinking that applicants are filling out the applications wrong, Greg said an open flame device is a Type 1 Permit of \$54.00 per event and there is a Type 2 Permit for \$214.00 annually which would be January through December. Conrad Johnson is concerned with annual permits and the inspection of trucks that leave an event for a month and come back and you don't know what has occurred on the truck or to the

equipment on the truck. He stated that we have no control over what happens with the vehicle when it leaves and comes back. Connie was more concerned about the inspection of the food trucks than the fees. He feels that both districts should be doing the same thing. He stated part of our job is to support township events but also to make sure it's safe.

Aaron Sill said that there will be a Beef-n-Beer Benefit for Gary McGhee on May 21st starting at 4pm. Tickets are \$25 in advance from any member and \$30 at the door.

Bob Sweeten said that a member had separated service and had contacted Lincoln Financial regarding his LOSAP. They will complete the paperwork and then mail it to him. Once received, either Robert Zimmerman or Jean Zimmerman will sign the form and he will then fax back to Lincoln Financial. Paperwork has not been received yet for his 100% vested funds.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 114 fire calls; tablets came in; county came last month and programmed CAD system into them; waiting for the mounts to come in so they can be installed; applied for a grant from American Water to max of \$2,000, put in for vehicle chargers for 700 radios getting from county, that came in on Tuesday and were placed in trucks; April 10th fire at Garden Lake, member's gear got spray foam on it, Chuck Fisher took it and is trying to clean it, if it can't be cleaned they will replace the sleeve; Barry installed mud flaps on the Squad, fixed cord for bell and installed interlocks; contacted companies for yearly services on pumps, hose and jaws. Chief had two quotes for running board lights and installation for both Tahoes. They were: Kelly Communications – Whelen Tracer - \$2,500 (\$5,000 for 2). Birch's Communications – Whelen Tracer - \$2,952.40 (\$5,904.80 for 2). Motion Greg Neill, second John Menz to accept the quote from Kelly Communications. All commissioners present voted aye.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Robert Zimmerman read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by J. Gregory Neill, second Conrad Johnson, of \$9,670.40. Motion carried.

Robert Zimmerman said that a CD had matured on April 15th, 2022 and there is a ten day period to do something with it. He would like to put the \$170,000 in a Money Market at Sturdy Bank since the CD rates are low.

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary