

MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

May 18, 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, Robert Zimmerman, Kirby Stiltner, and Jean Zimmerman present. Attorney Mr. Thomas Phelan, Robert Sweeten, Dan DeSimone and Rio Grande Fire Company Chief Richard Sweeten were also present. Rodney Haines, Accountant and Conrad Johnson were absent.

COMMUNICATIONS: a Notice of Closure letter was received from Bank of America that stated as of August, 2017 two accounts would be terminated.

Letter was received from Middle Township regarding the JIF overpayment of \$70,998. Sal said there is no administrative cost and will not agree to the 5% charge

Sturdy Savings Bank sent a letter regarding two accounts that have been inactive and would be charged a fee of \$5.00. Sal talked to the supervisor who waived the fee.

Shared Services Agreement for 2017-2018 with Middle Township was received

OLD BUSINESS: Bob Zimmerman emailed Rodney about the solar offer. There is still no answer on what to do. Bob told Kirby Jr. he needed to change the setting in QuickBooks per the request of the solar company.

Bob Sweeten updated the commissioners on LOSAP. There are now 28 members who qualify not the original 26. That 28 included the one appeal that was approved and one who is in the military for a total of \$30,800

NEW BUSINESS: Regarding the Bank of America Notice of Closure - Sal went to the bank questioning the letter and they couldn't explain why. A call was made to corporate office but an answering machine answered. The bank will call Sal when they receive an answer. CDs will not be affected but they also will not be renewed by the bank. Sal asked for the ok to transfer the funds to another bank as soon as possible. All commissioners present voted aye to transfer funds. Sal is going to look at OceanFirst, Sturdy and TD banks.

Bob Zimmerman was approached by a fireman about putting a memorial out front on the lot

CHIEF'S REPORT: 128 fire calls; upcoming township wide tanker drill including Lower Township; Assistant Chief Buster Graham stepped down and Harold VanArtsdalen will now be the assistant chief; annual truck maintenance; \$1,200 per car for installation of chargers on the Durangos – decision was made to hold off due to the ages of both cars

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salvatore DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Robert Zimmerman second Kirby Stiltner, of \$40,201.07 Motion carried.

[Jean Zimmerman, Secretary](#)