MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

May 21, 2020

Due to the Coronavirus Covid 19 quarantine, the meeting was brief and everyone was at a social distance.

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 (on Zoom) present. Attorney Mr. Nicholas Sittineri and Bob Sweeten were also present (both on Zoom). Kayla Watt, Accountant/David McNally, Vice President of Holt McNally and Associates, were absent.

COMMUNICATION: Jean said she an email from LeeAnn Russ, Middle Township Tax Assessor, confirming receipt of approval letter from the DCA for our taxes to be raised of \$714,600

OLD BUSINESS: Bob Sweeten reported on the status of the new truck. Because of the restrictions due to the virus, Pierce wanted to do a virtual view of the pre-construction. Bob would like to go to Wisconsin for the pre-construction view. The truck may be delayed for several months due to the quarantine restrictions. Sal and Connie think Bob should go out and see it for a hands-on inspection. The delay will not affect the trade-in or payment on the truck when delivered.

NEW BUSINESS: Investigating Committee had a meeting on May 20th and terminated three members. One member is believed to be living in Florida and still has a pager and charger belonging to the fire company. They will not pursue retrieving the pager and charger.

Sal talked with the accountant. He also gave permission to Sturdy Bank and OceanFirst Bank to give the auditor the information they requested. Mr. Sittineri said that he sent a letter to the auditor, at their request, stating that we have no pending litigation.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 78 fire calls; annual maintenance beginning on trucks, hoses, pumps, air machines and air packs

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salvatore DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Kirby Stiltner, second Conrad Johnson, of \$54,766.28 Motion carried

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary