

MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

June 18, 2015

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

COMMUNICATIONS: letter from Pierce Manufacturing Inc. thanking the district for their check of \$376,306.00 on January 18, 2015 for prepayment of the new truck.

Letter from South Jersey Gas concerning equipment upgrades that Sal thought should go to the fire company

Dept. of Community Affairs returned the 2015 adopted copy of the budget. They also sent the election form that was needed for the February elections results. Jean mailed it on May 22, 2015 since it was also received by email.

OLD BUSINESS: Kirby Stiltner said the landscaper says the grass is too thick for his mower and will have to rent a mower. The cost instead of \$250.00 is now \$600.00. Sal will talk to Middle Township.

NEW BUSINESS: Conrad Johnson reported for Dan DeSimone about the Fire Prevention Bureau being eligible for state pensions. Motion Kirby Stiltner, second Conrad Johnson to look into eligibility of fire prevention employees for PERS (Public Employee Retirement System)

Bob Sweeten reported on the truck committee's trip to Appleton, Wisconsin. Had blueprints for inspection. There is a late October delivery date expected.

Bob Sweeten talked of a previous accident concerning a fire truck and car. The damages to the car total \$2,900.00 minus \$1,000.00 deductible leaving a balance of \$1,900.00 to be paid by JIF. The check will be mailed to the commissioners to be forwarded to pay the bill.

Sal transferred \$10,000.00 from the business account to cover the expenses. He also picked up the first draw from the township today.

Bob Zimmerman said the copier was ordered and should be in next week. It was questioned about having a tax exempt number for the fire district. Mr. Phelan said we did not need one just a purchase order when orders were placed.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 174 fire calls; Rio Grande is now 2nd alarm for the City of Cape May; annual physicals are scheduled for July; additional training in October; trucks are having the annual maintenance done; hose and ladder testing coming up

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sal DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Conrad Johnson second Kirby Stiltner, of \$36,467.33 Motion carried.

[Jean Zimmerman, Secretary](#)