

Middle Township Fire District #2

September 20, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Conrad Johnson. Mr. Johnson 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 Conrad Johnson, Robert Zimmerman, Kirby Stiltner and Jean Zimmerman present. Rich Sweeten, Danny DeSimone and Mr. Thomas Phelan, Attorney, were also present. Sal DeSimone and Rodney Haines, Accountant were absent.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS: Brown & Brown letter for renewal of insurance. Bob Sweeten will handle since it is believed that we do not have any policies with them.

Civil Service letter wanting to update their records. Connie will call to see what they are looking for. Dept. of Labor questionnaire (Mr. Phelan will fill out)

OLD BUSINESS: Bob Zimmerman had the report from Firex. They reported that since we are not paying sales tax they cannot help us.

Connie Johnson reported that \$10,000 expense for the Middle Township radio upgrade additional transmitter sights to help with transmissions issues was budgeted for this year. The sights are to be placed in the lower end of the township where there are problems with reception. Motion Robert Zimmerman, second Kirby Stiltner \$10,000 assessment for communication upgrade be given to Middle Township Police Department.

NEW BUSINESS: LOSAP numbers are done and will be ready for November meeting.

In a Public Meeting, Bob Zimmerman said that Jim Rixey, of Rixey Real Estate, approached the fire company about buying the property for sale next to the fire company for \$189,900. Sal talked with Mr. Phelan, attorney and Rodney Haines, accountant, and it was decided that the fire company should look into the offer not the fire district. The fire company is in favor of looking into buying the property with a \$10,000 deposit as long as it is refundable if the offer does not go through. The paperwork is with Cape Bank. There are several ideas for what the property can be used for.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 181 fire calls; new racks came in at a \$14,000 cost; received two 2nd place trophies for comedy and antique Mack in the Firemen's Parade, September 15th; POSHA discovered some problems which were then repaired and now we are "standing tall"; new hose came in and will be tested on the weekend; hose, pump and ladder testing all passed; chief has his proposed budget for \$52,000 for 2013; had water line extensions plans for Whitesboro.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Conrad Johnson read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Kirby Stiltner second Robert Zimmerman, of \$142,793.35. Motion carried.

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary

