

# MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

October 21, 2021

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, Salvatore DeSimone, John Menz and Jean Zimmerman present. Also present were Bob Sweeten, Kirby Stiltner, Rio Grande Fire Company President Scott Aaron Sill, Rio Grande Assistant Fire Chief Jim Belles, Anthony Krieg, Kirby Stiltner Jr., Fire Official Dan DeSimone, Jim Snyder and Buster Graham. Richard Braslow, Attorney and David McNally, CPA of Holt McNally and Associates, were absent.

**COMMUNICATION:** email was received from Mr. Braslow with a resolution that needed to be adopted for our salaries and then sent to the Municipal Clerk at the township. This is something new.

**OLD BUSINESS:** none at this time

**NEW BUSINESS:** Robert Zimmerman read Resolution 2021-13A Establishing the Compensation for Members of the Board of Fire Commissioners. Conrad Johnson questioned what happens if the township doesn't agree to the compensation and also thought that maybe the township would only be reviewing it. Robert said Mr. Braslow didn't know. Sal DeSimone said he was not in favor of this resolution and doesn't want Middle Township approving anything we do here. Roll call was taken with Robert Zimmerman, Conrad Johnson, John Menz and Jean Zimmerman voting yes and Sal DeSimone voting no.

The 2020 Audit was reviewed by all commissioners. Robert Zimmerman read the 2020 Audit Resolution. Motion John Menz, second Conrad Johnson to approve the Audit as read. The Group Affidavit was signed by all commissioners. Robert went over the Corrective Action Plan with Sal DeSimone asking who was in charge of the eight corrections. Robert said most of them had been corrected and that he was handling them.

Conrad Johnson said there are two CDs due and questioned how long we should reinvest them either for 6 or 12 months. They are worth approximately \$347,000.00 total. Sal DeSimone said with a money market you can get access to the money at any time. There wouldn't be much earned in interest with CDs.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** 273 fire calls; Chief's Tahoe is done but the chevrons have to be fixed; October 29<sup>th</sup> the Assistant Chief's Tahoe will be wrapped; still waiting on trade-in price for SCBA; no news on radios; yearly physicals were done on the 13<sup>th</sup> but 3 guys need to make up their physicals; Robert Zimmerman said the air packs do not have to be put on the ballot since they are not being financed but we would have to hold a special capital asset meeting stating that we are purchasing outright per Mr. Braslow.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Robert Zimmerman read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Conrad Johnson, second Sal DeSimone, of \$44,055.11. Motion carried.

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary