MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

November 16, 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, Conrad Johnson, Kirby Stiltner, Robert Zimmerman and Jean Zimmerman present. Attorney Mr. Thomas Phelan, Robert Sweeten, Dan DeSimone, Kyle Lindholm, Harold VanArtsdalen, Rio Grande Assistant Fire Company Chief were also present. Rodney Haines, Accountant was absent.

COMMUNICATIONS: letter from the Cape May County Herald newspaper regarding legal notices

Middle Township letter regarding the JIF money owed the fire district. It showed the payments for this year and the next two years.

Memo from the Township Clerk with a list of requirements for a liquor license of which we meet all requirements.

OLD BUSINESS: 2016 taxes are still waiting to be obtained for the solar company per Bob Zimmerman.

Bob Sweeten talked with Lincoln Financial about five (5) firemen who were in question. There are three (3) not vested firemen for a total of \$9,380.43. The three not vested are Michael Barth, Robert Tweed and Mandy Smearman. Bob will contact Lincoln and have the money returned. Motion Kirby Stiltner, second Conrad Johnson to have the not vested amount returned to Fire District #2 of Middle Township. The two who are vested are Paul Marriner and Chris Belles.

Connie said there are not a lot of grants for the generator. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to have a professional come and look at the building and tell us what we need. All items that were lost due to the storm were covered under the insurance contract for a total of \$4,704.99

NEW BUSINESS: Sal DeSimone read the 2018 Fire District #2 Budget Resolution with Total Revenues of \$680,800 which includes an amount to be raised by taxation of \$596,800 and total appropriations of \$680,800. Motion Conrad Johnson, second Kirby Stiltner to approve the

budget as read. All commissioners present voted aye to accept the budget as read. A Public Hearing will be held on December 21, 2017 at 6:45pm prior to the monthly meeting.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 271 fire calls; Christmas parade attended; Model A under repair; 5 ton water tank being painted, will be installed; Middle Township is not going to county radio, grant for radios failed at Chiefs' meeting; no maintenance scheduled yet, fire company would like to have it done before the end of the year since the maintenance man will be having surgery at the beginning of the new year.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salvatore DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Robert Zimmerman second Conrad Johnson, of \$57,970.31 Motion carried.

Jean Zimmerman, Secretary