

MIDDLE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #2

December 19, 2019

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. Rio Grande Fire Chief Richard Sweeten, Rio Grande Asst. Fire Chief Harold VanArtsdalen, Rio Grande Fire Company President Scott Aaron Sill, Bob Sweeten and Attorney Mr. Nicholas Sittineri were also present. Lauren Holman, Accountant of Holman Frenia Allison P.C., was absent.

COMMUNICATIONS: Lincoln Financial quarterly list of members was received

OLD BUSINESS: The 2018 Audit was reviewed. Motion Kirby Stiltner, second Conrad Johnson to accept the 2018 Audit as read.

Bob Sweeten said that he should have the paperwork for the new truck at the January 2020 meeting. Once signed papers are received, they will get a Performance Bond. Commissioners will give a down payment check in February with the balance due on delivery of truck.

Bob Sweeten said he talked with Mike McLaughlin about our share of JIF with the township. He thinks we are still on the agreement for overpayment.

NEW BUSINESS: The 2020 Budget was introduced. The Annual Budget as introduced, reflects Total Revenues of \$836,600 which includes an amount to be raised by taxation of \$714,600 and Total Appropriations of \$836,600. Salvatore DeSimone read the 2020 Fire District Budget Resolution and discovered a date typo on page C-6. Date read as December 14, 2019 for our public meeting instead of December 19, 2019. Since the date was correct in the beginning of the Resolution, Mr. Sittineri said we could correct and initial it. Motion Kirby Stiltner, second Conrad Johnson to accept the 2020 Budget as read. All commissioners present voted aye. There will be a public meeting at 6:45pm on January 16, 2020 for any questions regarding the budget.

The Fire Protection Agreement between Middle Township Fire District #2 and the Rio Grande Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 Inc. was signed. A copy will be attached to the four copies of the budget that is sent to the DCA.

Petitions for election were given to Robert Zimmerman and Conrad Johnson. Petitions are to be signed and notarized and returned by January 16th, 2020 meeting.

CHIEF'S REPORT: 291 fire calls; Tahoe got a recall notice for 4 wheel drive affecting the brakes, officers remain the same; has been a good year and looking forward to next year and the new truck.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Salvatore DeSimone read the bills, motion by resolution to pay the bills by Kirby Stiltner second Robert Zimmerman, of \$29,314.38.

[Jean Zimmerman, Secretary](#)