

# February 13, 2017

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Fire District No. 3, Hamilton Township, Mercer County, New Jersey was held on the above date at 7 P.M. at the District Fire Station, 13 Rennie Street, with Chairman Joseph Zalesick presiding.

Chairman Zalesick stated the New Jersey State Open Public Meetings Act Notice.

Four (4) Commissioners were present: Joseph Zalesick, Patrick Gribbin, James Gramigna, and Gilbert Lugossy. Commissioner David Brenner was absent.

Chief Steven Kraemer, Captain Ferd Mather and Fire Official Scott McCormick were present at the meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin, second by Commissioner Gramigna, to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2017 Board Meeting. Motion carried. 4 YES votes.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Lugossy to authorize payment of the District bills submitted, upon review by the Treasurer. Motion carried. 4 YES votes.

Secretary Lugossy reported that the Township Council will hold public hearings on the Dissolution of the Hamilton Fire Districts on February 16 and February 23, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Township Library concerning the Fire District Consolidation issue.

Secretary Lugossy reported receipt of the following checks:

- (A) Check dated December 2, 2016 from EMC – Electric Market Connection in the amount of \$138.36
- (B) Check dated December 31, 2016 from Hamilton District No.2 in the amount of \$10,000.00.
- (C) Check dated January 19, 2017 from Hamilton District No.5 in the amount of \$550.00.
- (D) Check dated January 27, 2017 in the amount of \$1,304.77 from Verizon Wireless.

Chief Kraemer presented the District financial report for the month of January 2017. Total revenues for the month accounted to \$23,325.16 and total expenses amounted to \$280,017.96 The balances in the PNC Bank checking account as of January 31, 2017, was \$175,720.54 and \$420,764.91 balance in the PNC Bank money market account. The balance in the PNC Bank payroll account was \$182,979.05.

Motion by Commissioner Lugossy second by Commissioner Gribbin to accept the Treasurer report. Motion carried. 4 yes votes.

Secretary Lugossy reported that our District received a wire transfer from the Township on February 10, 2017 in the amount of \$921,990.67 for our First Quarter Fire Tax.

Chief Steven E. Kraemer that District and Rusling Hose Company personnel responded to 103 incidents during the month of January 2017:

- 12 fires
- 1 over pressure rupture, explosion, overheat no fire
- 36 rescues and EMS
- 6 hazardous condition, no fire
- 6 service call
- 12 good intent calls
- 30 false alarm/ false calls

Our personnel responded to 1,200 calls for the year 2016:

- 115 fires
- 4 over pressure rupture, explosion, overheat, no fire
- 504 rescues and EMS
- 46 service call
- 136 good intent calls
- 268 false alarm/ false calls
- 2 special incident types

Fire Official McCormick presented the Fire Prevention Inspections report for our District for the year 2016:

Life Hazard Use

- 97 inspections
- 61 re-inspected

Non-Life Hazard Use

- 107 inspected
- 70 re-inspected

Permits

- 23

Secretary Lugossy reported that only one nominating petition for District 3 Fire Commissioner (Three Year Term) for the February 18, 2017 election was submitted by Gilbert W. Lugossy.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Proposal submitted by DePietto & DePietto, Accounting and Tax Services, dated January 19,2017 regarding the services they are to provide for our District for the audit of the 2016 financial statements and funds and their analysis and procedures to conduct same. The fee to provide these Professional Services will be \$8700.00 plus out of pocket costs and \$1600.00 for the audit on the District Defer Compensation Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Gramigna that the Board is in agreement and understanding of the contents of the DePietto & DePietto letters dated January 19, 2017 and approves same. Motion Carried 4 Yes votes.

Secretary Lugossy advised the Board that the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services approved our District approved Budget on January 6, 2017 and our District Adopted Budget for the year 2017 on January 23, 2017.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Gramigna to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM. Motion carried. 4 Yes votes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gilbert W. Lugossy  
Secretary