

December 1, 2014

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Fire District No. 3, Hamilton Township, Mercer County, New Jersey was held at the above date at 7 PM at the District Fire Station, 13 Rennie Street, with Chairmen Joseph Zalescik presiding.

Chairman Zalescik stated the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act Notice.

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

Also present was Chief Thomas Gribbin and District Fire Official Scott McCormick.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Brenner to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2014 Board meeting and the minutes of the Special Meeting held on November 22, 2014. Motion carried. 4 yes votes.

Present at the meeting was Philip McManus of Tri-State Light and Energy to present the details of the NJ Direct Install Program which is a State of New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Office of Clean Energy program to reduce energy costs and increased energy efficiency.

A letter was received from Township Mayor Kelly Yaede regarding this program.

There was much discussion by the Board and Mr. McManus regarding the program and the details regarding costs and the Energy Assessment Survey of our facilities. The total estimated cost of the project is \$101,899.15 and the District estimated cost is \$30,569.74. The project would be a year 2015 program.

Motion by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Brenner to approve the Direct Install Program Participation Agreement and scope of work attachment. Motion carried. 4 yes votes.

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

Secretary Lugossy reported on a letter dated November 6, 2014 from James P. Boozan, Director of Emergency Medical Services at Capital Health regarding a county-wide response team to care for potential Ebola Virus Disease patients and How to Request a Capital Health Response Unit and Team for a suspected Ebola situation.

Also received were the following:

- A. Check dated November 14, 2014 from Verizon Wireless in amount of \$1,194.05
- B. Check dated November 18, 2014 from Fire District No. 4 in amount of \$26,124.14
- C. Check dated November 20, 2014 in amount of \$1,897.98

The Township direct deposited out 4th quarterly fire taxes in the amount of \$898,389.31 and the Basic Entitlement Grant of \$14,198.00 for a total of \$912,587.31 into our district checking account on November 12, 2014. The total amount received for the year 2014 is \$3,607,611.90 in fire tax and \$14,198.00 in the basic entitlement grant.

Resolution No, 14-011 Resolution of Governing Body moved by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Brenner to approve same. This has to do with the FIRST Responder Joint Insurance Fund and approval of the Notice of Tort Claim from pursuant to NJSA 59:8-6. Resolution approved and adopted. 4 yes votes.

Resolution No. 2014-45 Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act- Shared Service Agreements for a Fire Chief- Between the District No. 3 and Hamilton District No. 2,4, and 7. Motion by Commissioner Brenner second by Commissioner Gribbin that District 3 provide the services of a Fire Chief for each District named. Resolutions adopted and approved. 4 yes votes. NJSA 40A:65-1

Resolution No. 2014-46 Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act Shared Services Agreement for a Deputy Fire Chief between Hamilton Fire District No.2 and Hamilton Fire District No.3 and Fire District No.2 shall provide the services of a Deputy Fire Chief. NJSA 40A:65-1. Resolution moved by Commissioner Gribbin second by Commissioner Brenner to approve. Resolution adopted and approved. 4 yes votes.

Chairman Zalescik reported on various financing options for the purchase of new fire apparatus as a result of the November 22, 2014 Special Meeting and voter approval.

Resolution moved by Commissioner Lugossy second by Commissioner Brenner: Resolution No.14-012. Resolution of Governing Body: The Board of Commissioners of Fire District No.3 Hamilton Township, Mercer County, New Jersey, hereby resolves that an application for approval from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, Local Finance Board submitted to carry out the voter approval purchase of fire apparatus as was approved at a Special Meeting held on November 22, 2014. Resolution approved and adopted. 4 yes votes.

Chief Gribbin presented to the Board for review and consideration the Township of Hamilton, Mercer County, New Jersey Mutual Aid Agreement Compact (Revised November 19, 2014).

Motion by Commissioner Brenner second by Commissioner Lugossy to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement Compact as presented by Chief Gribbin. Motion carried. 4 yes votes.

The Board entered into a discussion and review of the District Budget for the year 2015. The Board conducted a Line Item review of the proposed budget.

Secretary Lugossy reported that the Township assessor has certified new construction and improvements on FORM CNC-3 for our District in the amount of \$504,700.00. The Budget will not exceed the 2% tax levy cap in 2015. The total assessed valuation of the District is \$411,488,500.00 and the proposed tax vote per \$100 of assess valuation is \$0.882.

Resolution moved by Commissioner Brenner second by Commissioner Gribbin to introduce on First Reading for Approval of the following: 2015 Budget Resolution- Fiscal year January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. Resolution adopted and approved. 4 yes votes, 1 member absent.

Motion by Commissioner Brenner second by Commissioner Lugossy to adjourn the meeting at 9:55PM. Motion carried. 4 yes votes.

Respectfully Submitted, Gilbert W. Lugossy Secretary

