

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3  
TOWNSHIP OF LOWER**

**The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fire District No. 3 Township of Lower was held on November 22, 2011 at the Erma Fire House, County Airport, Erma, New Jersey, with the work session commencing at 7:30pm. The meeting was opened with a flag salute. Reading of the open Public Meeting Act, all exits were acknowledged; roll was called; all Commissioners were present. Solicitor Tourison as well as Chief Muller and firefighters Vince Matteo and Chris Karolyi were present .**

**MINUTES**

**The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved on motion of Commissioner Van Mourik and seconded by Commissioner G. Douglass.**

**TREASURER'S/BILLS PRESENTED REPORT**

**The Treasurer's report was approved on motion of Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Van Mourik. Bills, as presented were approved of motion of Commissioner S. Douglass and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy.**

**CORRESPONDENCE/PLAN REVIEWS**

Atlantic Electric- received correspondence from Atlantic Electric about switching over the an annual rate as opposed to a monthly rate. Commissioner S. Douglass will look into this and present at next Board meeting.

VFIS- received claim statement for Robert Post.

Ford Scott Merger- received letter from Ford Scott that they are merging with Swartz and Co. LLC. Company will still be named Ford Scott and Associates LLC.

Wells Fargo- received monthly statement from Wells Fargo.

Kendul Kennedy- received letter from Kendul Kennedy that he will not be seeking reelection in the up coming election due to the fact he will be moving out of state.

**BUREAU NEWS**

Commissioner Lepor distributed updated 2012 draft budget for Fire Bureau as well as monthly meeting notes and financials.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Solar Energy- No one was present at meeting. Solicitor Tourison read contract and returned comments and adjustments to be made.
2. New Fire Truck- Commissioner Van Mourik was in contact with company building the Fire Truck and he informed us that the chassis is coming next week and that they will be roughly 60 days late on delivery of December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

3. landscaping of Firehouse- Clean up will be preformed sometime within the next couple of weeks.

4.- Repeater – On motion by Commissioner Van Mourik and seconded by Commissioner G. Douglass with all in favor the Board approved to pay on third of cost for the Villas repeater as it will benefit all three Districts.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**1.- ESP- On motion by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner S. Douglass with all in favor the Board approved to pay our portion (\$1,700 ) of yearly maintenance plan for the ESP enforcer program.**

**2.- Budget 2012- On motion by Commissioner Van Mourik and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy with all in favor by roll call vote the Board approved the introduction of the 2012 Budget as submitted. Budget of \$827,483 (\$697,464 by taxation) up \$13,000. \$129,000 of surplus will be used for budget. Commissioner S. Douglass was directed to publish advertisement in newspaper the date of our next Fire Board meeting of December 27, 2011 for the Budget Hearing and proposed adoption.**

### **Comments by the Chief**

Chief Muller presented to the Board that the fire company is in need to replace 2 gas detectors and 2 flashlights for a total of approximately \$3000. The Board approved such purchase.

### **Comments by the Public**

On motion by Commissioner Kennedy and Seconded by Commissioner S. Douglass the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

**Meeting notes were prepared and submitted by Commissioner S. Douglass.**