

**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 September 27, 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 and Chief Muller were present . Art Hayden from fire department was present along with Nels Johnson, Tom Evans and Fred Hober representing Emerald Energy Solutions.

**MINUTES**

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

**TREASURER'S/BILLS PRESENTED REPORT**

The Treasurer's report was approved on motion of Commissioner S. Douglass and seconded by Commissioner Van Mourik. Bills, as presented voiding Borgy Truck Center check and adding \$1750 to Lincoln Financial for Losap p payment for member that was missed on previous payment and a check for \$8468.38 to Erma Volunteer Fire for the 3<sup>rd</sup> qtr payment were approved of motion of Commissioner Van Mourik and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy.

**CORRESPONDENCE/PLAN REVIEWS**

Received check in the amount of \$1365.17 from VFIS for refund for truck #6232.

**BUREAU NEWS**

**No meeting this month**

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Solar Energy- Nels Johnson, Fred Hober and Tom Evans attended meeting to discuss solar energy to the firehouse. After a long discussion and a walk outside to look at proposed solar site the following are the details of the presentation from the representatives of Emerald Energy Solutions.

- a. no cost to the district for equipment or installation.
- b. we will see a reduced electric rate of approximately 50%.
- c. 15yr contract at which point we will have option to terminate service and have it removed by the company at no charge, buy for market value, extend term, terminate and equipment be abandoned for our disposal or use.
- d. solar panels have a 25 yr warranty.
- e. life expectancy is approximately 50 years.

- f. zero maintenance cost to district.
- g. solar panels may be built on grass field adjacent to firehouse

**2. Fire truck purchase – In construction mode at this time.**

**3. New tables for hall – waiting for a second quote.**

**4. Audit- 2010 audit was reviewed and approved. Commissioner S. Douglass was directed to advertise summary of synopsis for said year. Commissioner G. Douglass and Solicitor Tourison will attending meeting with state if needed.**

**5. Landscaping of property-still waiting for quotes.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

On a motion by Commissioner Van Mourik and was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

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