

LOWER TOWNSHIP FIRE COMMISSION

SECOND DISTRICT
P.O. BOX 724
NORTH CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY 08204

Minutes of the Special Capital Meeting of November 16, 2015

A special Capital Expenditure Meeting held pursuant to NJSA 40A:14-84 by Fire District 2, Lower Township, Cape May County, New Jersey was called to order at 19:30 hours by President Nolan at the Town Bank Fire House, 224 Town Bank Road, North Cape May, New Jersey.

President Nolan read the statement of compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" and pointed out the fire exits to the public in attendance.

After flag salute, roll was called; Commissioners present were Andrews, Brown, Conley, Nolan, and Prendergast. Charlotte, "Missie" Taylor-Axelsson Financial Data Specialist was sick and not in attendance. Also in attendance were 24 firefighters, and no other members of the public.

There was a discussion initiated by Conley regarding the purpose of the meeting being for open discussion expending capital reserve money that has been acquired over the past several years. Voter approval for the Capital Reserves were previously granted.

The three questions that the public will vote on this evening are as follows:

Question #1- Shall the Commissioners of Fire District No. 2, in the Township of Lower, County of Cape May, New Jersey be authorized to expend not in excess of \$50,000.00 of capital reserve for the purchase of a utility truck in 2016?

Question #2- Shall the Commissioners of Fire District No. 2, in the Township of Lower, County of Cape May, New Jersey be authorized to expend not in excess of \$25,000.00 of capital reserve for the purchase of fitness equipment in 2016?

Question #3- Shall the Commissioners of Fire District No. 2, in the Township of Lower, County of Cape May, New Jersey be authorized to expend not in excess of \$70,000.00 of capital reserve for the maintenance of the building and grounds in 2016?

The capital reserve funding received voter approval in 2008 for Buildings and Grounds to become effective in 2009 and in 2009 purchase of Fire Apparatus (Fire Trucks) and Fire Equipment to become effective in 2010.

Conley continued that the Commissioners anticipate that if approved, the funding will be used for the purchase of a new Utility Vehicle (Pick-up truck), new fitness equipment, and repairs to the firehouse, parking lot and driveways. Conley stated that is exactly what the capital reserve

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anticipated and serves to stabilize the tax rate by anticipating these expenditures before they are needed.

A motion was offered by Conley and seconded by Andrews to open the meeting to the public, voting yes, Andrews, Brown, Conley, Nolan and Prendergast; voting no, no one; abstaining, no one.

There was no one who had questions or wanted to speak for or against the questions.

A motion was offered by Conley and seconded by Andrews to close the public portion of the meeting and determine, by voting, the answers to questions #1, #2 and #3 as listed above, voting yes to the motion, Andrews, Brown, Conley, Nolan and Prendergast; voting no, no one; abstaining, no one.

The results of the voting, conducted on paper ballots, for Question #1 was seventeen (17) yes votes and zero (0) no votes; Question #2 was seventeen (17) yes votes and zero (0) no votes and Question #3 was seventeen (17) yes votes and zero (0) no votes.

Resolution 15-38 Accepting the results of the voting, conducted on paper ballots, for Question #1 seventeen (17) yes votes and zero (0) no votes; Question #2 seventeen (17) yes votes and zero (0) no votes and Question #3 seventeen (17) yes votes and zero (0) no votes, was offered by Conley and seconded by Brown, voting yes, Andrews, Brown, Conley, Nolan and Prendergast; voting no, no one; abstaining, no one.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 19:45 hours by a motion by Andrews and a second by Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis H. Conley, Jr.
Secretary/Commissioner