

The Board of Fire Commissioners

Fire District No. 1

Work Session

November 2, 2011

A work session to discuss the 2011 Budget was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Chairman William Orchard, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Roll Call:**

Members present: Commissioners Rosenberg, Behrend, Tarnowski and Orchard.

Members absent: Commissioner Olson

**Flag Salute:** completed

Mr. Rosenberg reported that he had not heard back from Mr. Olson about his conversation with Mr. Mitchell (township administrator) on benefit packages they offer to township employees. Mr. Rosenberg suggested that the Board move ahead and Mr. Orchard agreed. Mr. Perez will let Mr. Rosenberg which plan he will go with.

Mr. Rosenberg reviewed the proposed 2012 Budget, line by line (see attached). He stated that it appears the ratables for next year would be about \$952,000.00. In addition, based on calculations he prepared, the Amount to be Raised by Taxes is about \$588K; which keeps the District cap compliant. He noted that this would be really cutting things close. Mr. Rosenberg stated that the Accountant had informed him that \$378K could be infused from Undesignated Funds. Right now, the budget is at \$377,150. Mr. Rosenberg stated he would prefer infuse \$350K or less. Mr. Rosenberg suggested that the Accountant review this proposed budget and then based on the feedback, the Board can discuss it at a special meeting, if necessary.

Mr. Orchard stated the Mr. Perez will contact Mr. Braslow to see if a resolution needs to be prepared to allow the District to give monies to the Township for the Fire Inspector. Mr. Orchard also suggested that the contract with Cintas be cancelled; the Board agreed.

Mr. Rosenberg suggested that representatives from the Township, as it applies to the Fire Inspector's funding, be invited to meet with the Commissioners to discuss the entire issue.

There was no further business to discuss, Mr. Behrend made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Tarnowski seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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