## NORTH GREECE FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

## Budget Hearing 1766 Latta Road Station #2 10/17/17

PRESENT: Commissioners J. Camiolo, L. Andreano, M. MacKenzie; Fire Chief S. DeRosa,

Treasurer W. Bedford, Deputy Treasurer K. Preston, Deputy Chief P. McManus

**ABSENT:** Commissioners A. DeCarlo, J. Meath; Sec. K. Dutton

**PUBLIC:** FF C. Pignato, M. Baxter, T. Clark, Lt. J. Short

Vice-Chair L Andreano called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted the fire exits. The opening of the meeting was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our departed members.

The Budget Hearing was held in such a manner to maximize participation in the Budget Process. The purpose was to discuss the contents of the budget. The Board of Fire Commissioners in accordance with legal requirements has adopted their Proposed Budget on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017, which is more than 21 days prior to this Budget Hearing.

Since the North Greece Fire District maintains a website, the Proposed Budget was posted on that website pursuant to the requirement of the Town Law.

The Secretary of the Fire District has stated that the Notice of this Public Hearing was Published or Posted at least once at least 5 days before the date specified for the hearing in

- a. The Official Newspaper of the Fire District,
- b. The Official Signboard of the Town or Towns where the District is located,
- c. On the Fire District's website, and
- d. The towns of Greece and Parma are required to place it on their town websites

The Notice of Public Hearing specified the Time and Date when and the Place where this Public Hearing would be held.

Upon its Adoption, the Fire District Secretary also made available for inspection, and copying of the Proposed Budget to any interested person during District office hours.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to allow members of the public to make comments on the budget. Any person may be heard in favor of, or against, the Preliminary Budget or any item in it. Please note that this is only a Proposed Budget until the Board of Fire Commissioners Adopts the Final Budget.

Prior to the Public Comment Portion of this Budget Hearing, the Fire District Treasurer made a brief presentation about the Preliminary Budget to the Board of Fire Commissioners and members of the public who were present.

This budget must be adopted no later than November 4th, and submitted to the Town or Towns where the District is located Budget Officer within 3 days of adoption.

## **Public Comments Period**

Any person present wishing to be heard on this proposed budget was asked to come forward so that that person may be heard in favor of, or against, the proposed budget or any item in it. It was requested that their hand be raised to be recognized, stand and speak loud enough for everyone in the room to hear your comments. Clearly state your Name and Address for the record. Please limit your comments to five (5) minutes. This was not a question and answer session. All questions were

to be directed to the Board or the Treasurer but would not be answered. The Board was looking for opinion on the Budget or any part of it, whether favorable or not. No one from the public wished to address the board

The Public Comments Period of this Annual Budget Hearing concluded. The members of the Board of Fire Commissioners could ask questions.

There were no questions from the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Motion by Commissioner M. MacKenzie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner J. Camiolo, To close the Public Hearing regarding the 2018 Proposed Budget at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Preston, Deputy Treasurer Board of Fire Commissioners North Greece Fire District