## Why we have a Website?

New Jersey law **requires fire districts to maintain an Internet presence**. The statutory requirement is found in **N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70.2**, which states:

- Every fire district established under N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70 must maintain either:
  - o Its own Internet website, **or**
  - A dedicated webpage on the municipality's official website.

## **Purpose**

To provide increased public access to the fire district's operations and activities.

## **Required Content**

The website or webpage must include, at minimum:

- 1. Description of the fire district's mission and responsibilities.
- 2. Budgets:
  - o Current and prior fiscal year budgets.
  - o At least three consecutive years of budgets (starting after P.L.2011, c.167).
- 3. Financial Reports:
  - o Most recent Comprehensive Annual Financial Report or similar.
  - Annual audits for the current and prior fiscal years (and at least three consecutive years).
- 4. Rules, regulations, and official policy statements deemed relevant.
- 5. Meeting Notices:
  - o Time, date, location, and agenda of board meetings (per Open Public Meetings Act).
- 6. Meeting Minutes:
  - Approved minutes and resolutions for the current fiscal year (and at least three consecutive years).

## 7. Contact Information:

Names, mailing addresses, email addresses (if available), and phone numbers of individuals who manage day-to-day operations.