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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 1, 2008

The Middletown Town Council met at its regular meeting on JULY 1, 2008 in the council meeting room. Council President, Jim Mundell led those assembled in repeating the pledge to the American Flag. He then approved the minutes from the previous meeting. Clerk-Treasurer, Jim Hanson took roll. Present were council members Dan Fountain, Jake Smith, Lisa Hicks-Smith and Tim Mundell.

1. Kenny Norfleet was present to offer the streets in his TIF plat to the Town Of Middletown. President Mundell questioned whether or not some defects in the street had been repaired. Kenny referenced a letter he had forwarded to all council members stating that the contractor who had installed the streets was taking responsibility for repairing the street. Jake Smith made a motion to accept the street on assurance from Kenny that the repairs would be made by Kenny if the contractor defaulted. Dan Fountain seconded the motion. Lisa, Dan and Jake voted yes. Jim and Tim voted no. Motion carried.
2. Tracy Harrison from the utility department informed the council of the upcoming deadline for meeting the requirements for the Wellhead Protection Act was coming in 2012. According to her records there were items that still needed to be addressed by the town. A Water Board was appointed composed of the Clerk-Treasurer, Utility Superintendent, Council President, Department Heads and at least two utility users. A meeting with this board and Butler Fairman was set for Wednesday, July 9, 2008 at 10:00 A.M. in the training room to discuss further details of the town's obligations to meet the requirements.
3. Jim Mundell announced that the town would be hosting a Roundtable Meeting for IACT on Wednesday evening, July 2, 2008 at 6:00 P.M. at the American Legion Post 216.
4. Utility Superintendent, Dave Real requested permission to purchase stone to fill the washout in the easement at 182 N. 5th Street. The council consented.
5. Joel Harvey, subbing for Dave Copenhaver, presented Ordinance 07-01-2008 to raise the penalties for ordinance violations as requested by council at the previous meeting. Dan made a motion to pass the ordinance on the first reading. Jake seconded. Dan, Jake and Lisa voted yes. Jim and Tim voted no. Motion carried. Dan then made a motion to suspend the rules for the second reading. Jake seconded. Again, Dan, Jake and Lisa voted yes. Jim voted no. Motion died for lack of a quorum.
6. Clerk-Treasurer, Jim Hanson requested permission for him and Deputy Clerk Penny Lohrey to attend a training session at Keystone Software Systems. Consent was granted. He also presented council with copies of the proposed contract with the New Castle/Henry County Animal Shelter for services for 2009. The Town contract will remain the same at \$6200.00 per year if adopted.
7. Lisa Hicks-Smith presented council with information concerning grant monies for a comprehensive 5-year plan study for the whole town. The grant would be for up to \$50,000 with the town paying a 10% matching amount. Amy Miller from Cornerstone Grants Management, Inc. would need a letter of intent from the council to proceed with the process. Dan made a motion for the council to accept the letter of intent. Jake seconded. All members voted yes. Motion carried.



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8. Jim Mundell stated that Wayne Forney is interested in purchasing the lot on Columbia Ave from the town. His offer is \$10,000.00. Council consented for the town attorney to start the process to sell the property.
9. Council member Tim Mundell suggested that council review the salary ordinance in preparation for the 2009 budget process. The clerk-treasurer will provide copies to council at next meeting.
10. Tracy Harrison reported that Ball State University has intern programs that allow students to do grant studies and applications for cities and municipal utilities at no charge to the town or utility. Council gave consent for her to pursue this avenue for our utilities and town.
11. Bill Harrison referenced the ordinance requiring a permit to ride a horse through town. He requested a permit. The ordinance states that the permits are to be obtained from the town council. No action taken on this.
12. There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned.

Jim Mundell

John Smith

James E. Hanson
Tim Mundell

James E. Hanson
Clerk-Treasurer