

## Town of Middletown

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## MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

## November 03, 2009

The Middletown Town Council met at its regular meting on November 03, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the council meeting room. President Jake Smith called the meeting to order. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson noted that council members Tim Mundell, Jim Mundell and Lisa Hicks-Smith were also present. After the pledge to the flag, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

- 1. Dick Schwalm started the meeting by announcing that the next Water Board meeting would be held November 04, 2009 at 12:15 P.M. in the training room.
- 2. Lisa Hicks-Smith raised questions concerning pay raises for Ryan Brown and also for Tim Whitten. Ryan has just completed the climbing school portion of his apprenticeship and Tim has recently been certified as a Sewage Operator. After discussion the council took the matter under advisement.
- Council President, Jake Smith brought the Computer User/Internet and Resources
  Agreement that was submitted by Dan Fountain up for any discussion. There was
  no discussion at this time.
- 4. Police Chief, Randy Wray, announced that the town had a safe and uneventful Halloween this year.
- 5. David Real, Utility Superintendent, informed council that Brenda McSherley was due to be moved up to the next pay grade. Jim Mundell made a motion to move Brenda to the next pay grade. Lisa Hicks-Smith seconded. All four members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.
- 6. Ron Koons, cable liaison, announced that Comcast was lowering the cost of cable service here in Middletown. There is to be a \$2.00 decrease. This is in addition to a \$10.00 special promotion already in effect.
- 7. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson reminded council that the Utility Office would be closed on November 11, 2009 in observance of Veteran's Day. In another matter, he also reminded them that the IACT Roundtable was being held November 10, 2009 at Boyce Systems in Daleville.
- 8. Attorney Dave Copenhaver presented a draft of an ordinance amending Section 35.60 of the Middletown Town Code establishing rules for certain purchases and contracts as was requested by Lisa at the last meeting.
- 9. Council Member Tim Mundell introduced Chris and Lisa Oakes of Pavement Solutions. Quotes for Hot Modified Asphalt, Fiberized Crack Seal on specified town streets were presented. Total amount for this work was quoted at less than \$20,000. Tim made a motion to accept the quotes. Jim seconded. Jake, Jim and Tim voted yea. Lisa voted nay and stated the reason she did was because the matter had not been presented at least two weeks prior to council voting on it. In another matter Tim questioned whether or not council was interested in trying to obtain a grant from IMPA to cover some energy saving measures in the city building. The town would have to have an energy audit to qualify. No action was taken on the matter. Due to recent actions in neighboring communities involving ghost employment, Tim recommended council to purchase a time clock for the city building so that all employees would be required to clock in and out each day. The utility department employees already have a time clock. The cost to the town would be \$200-\$250. Council took this matter under advisement.
- 10. Council Member Lisa Hicks-Smith made a motion to set aside \$10,000 from the CDC Fund to repair sidewalks in town. After priorities are established the utility department is to handle the work next spring. Jake Smith seconded. All four voted in favor. Motion carried.

11. There being nothing further to come before council, the meeting was adjourned.

James & Hanson