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Middletown Town Council Meeting
January 5th 2010

The Middletown Town Council met for its first meeting of the New Year on January 5, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the council meeting room. In attendance were council members Dan Fountain, Jake Smith, Lisa Hicks-Smith, Jim Mundell and Tim Mundell. In the absence of the Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson the meeting was opened by Deputy Clerk Penny Lohrey. The first order of business was election of council president. Tim nominated Lisa. Jim seconded the nomination. Dan nominated Jake. Lisa seconded Dan's nomination. Dan, Jake and Lisa voted for Jake. Jim and Tim voted for Lisa. Jake carried the election. At this point the meeting was turned over to President Jake Smith. Smith then led those present in the pledge to the flag. Following, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented

1. Lisa announced that the Chamber of Commerce from New Castle would be at the Civic Center on Monday, January 11, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. to discuss advantages to Middletown of having a chamber or of being part of the New Castle Chamber with the Middletown Progress Group.

2. Tracy Harrison reminded that the Water Board would hold its next regular meeting on January 6, 2010 at 12:15 P.M. in the training room at the town hall. As always, the public is invited.

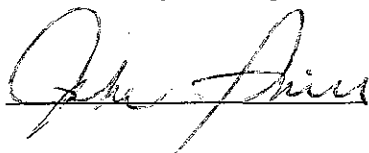
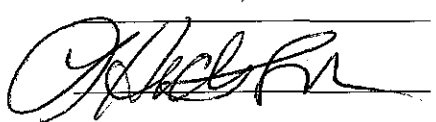
3. In new business, Mark Mousty from Unified Group Services was present with a proposal for dental and vision care for the coming year. The current plan expires at the end of the month. Council will bring this back next meeting. Also, Mr. Mousty will bring new proposals for health insurance to the next meeting. The present plan will show a cost increase for next year. He will bring additional quotes.

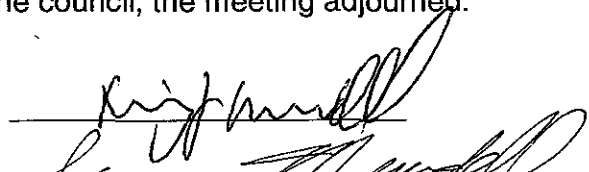
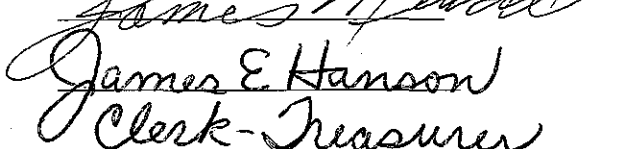
4. Tracy Harrison informed council of some documents that need to be signed and filed with the Department Of Labor each six month or every 1000 hours that apprentice lineman Ryan Brown works. Someone from JETC will meet with a council member, the lineman supervisor and the trainer every six months. Council president will represent the council.

5. Utility Superintendent David Real presented council with a quote for the new radio system for the water towers. The quote was for \$25,000. He will try to get additional quotes. The new valves for the water plant have arrived and they will begin installing them tomorrow.

6. Jake Smith brought the contract for Dave Copenhaver's legal services to the table. The terms for 2010 are the same as last year, \$600 retainer per month and the same rates for other services. Dan made a motion to accept the contract. Jake seconded. Dan, Jake and Lisa voted yes. Jim voted no. Motion carried.

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



James E. Hanson
Clerk-Treasurer