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## MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

## MARCH 16, 2010

The Middletown Town Council met for its regular meeting on March 2, 2010at 7:00 P.M. in the council meeting room. Clerk-Treasurer Jim recorded that council members Jake Smith, Dan Fountain, Tim Mundell and Jim Mundell were present. Jake informed that Lisa Hicks-Smith would be late, but would be there. Town attorney Dave Copenhaver was also present. After the pledge to the American Flag, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

1. Dick Schwalm from the Water Board was present. He, David Real and Tracy Harrison have recently completed training courses through the Alliance of Indiana Rural Water. Plaques were presented to those completing the course. These courses count towards the annual training requirements needed to maintain the plant operator licenses.

2. Tracy Harrison thanked Norman Purdue for serving as secretary to the Water Board. He has completed updating the list of contaminant containing possibilities located in our town for the Wellhead Protection Act annual requirements.

3. Jerry Manis, County Council Member, was present to request the appointment of someone from this community to serve on the Henry County EDC Board. The board meets on Friday at 7:00 P.M. at the REMC building in New Castle. No action was taken at this time.

4. Ryan Brown, lineman apprentice with the utility department, was present to give the council an update on his training and hour requirements for his course completion.

5. Scott Emswiller, Scott's Computer Service, reported to council that the new computer system was 98% completed. He is still adding dual users to the system. An additional printer is needed for EMT side. Tim Mundell will check with Toshiba and report at the next meeting on the cost of adding an additional printer to our contract.

6. Utility Superintendent David Real again brought the proposal from BL Anderson for the water tower monitoring system. Council will consider when the formal contract is presented.

7. Ron Koons, cable liaison, informed that he is working on billing issues with Comcast. He will make a spreadsheet and itemize all town bills to Comcast when the issues are all settled.

8. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson reported that effective April 1, 2010 there would be a rate adjustment of .029219/kwh/month from IMPA. In another matter, there was a new form that had to be signed by the council president to complete the OCRA Grant Application to make the town eligible for the remaining 25% of the FEMA money from the 2008 flood. Dan made a motion to allow Jake to sign the document. Lisa seconded. There were four aye votes and one nay. Motion carried. In another matter, Hanson presented Ordinance 03-16-2010, an ordinance to allow the clerk-treasurer the authority to borrow monies from different town funds as needed during the 2010 fiscal year in anticipation of the tax draws. Dan made a motion to pass Ordinance 03-16-2010 on its first reading. Jim seconded. All voted aye. By procedure, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was passed on its second and third readings by name and number only. Hanson then presented Resolution 03-16-2010-1 to allow the Parks Department to borrow \$10,000 from the Sewage Department until their next tax draw. Dan made a motion to pass the resolution. Lisa seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.



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9. Council member Tim Mundell presented to council some information concerning credit checks for new utility applicants. The program is used by Henry County REMC. No action was taken on the matter.

10. There being nothing further to come before council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 P.M.