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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 6, 2010

The Middletown Town Council met for its regular meeting on April 6, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the council meeting room. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson recorded that council members Jake Smith, Dan Fountain, Tim Mundell and Jim Mundell were present. Jake informed that Lisa Hicks-Smith would again 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, Water Board President, reminded everyone that the water board would be meeting tomorrow, April 7, 2010 at 12:15 P.M. in the meeting room at the town hall. Everyone is invited to attend and participate.

2. Ramona Haggstrom, property owner on N. 5th Street questioned whether or not there would be any stimulus money for sidewalk repair. Council president, Jake Smith informed Mrs. Haggstrom that a plan was in the works to do sidewalk repairs. The property owner will pay for the materials and the town will furnish the labor. She is to arrange with David Real to get the work done.

3. David Real, Utility Superintendent, presented copies of a payment plan to BL Anderson for the monitoring equipment for the water towers to the council. The proposal requires a total of six (6) payments totaling \$26,900 or \$4,483.33 per month be made. Jim Mundell made a motion for the water utility to buy the monitoring equipment on the payment plan. Tim Mundell seconded the motion. All four members present voted aye. Motion carried. David Real will contact BL Anderson to proceed.

4. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson informed council that the next IACT Roundtable would be May 12, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. at Boyce Headquarters in Daleville. Interested members should make their intentions known to Hanson and he will make the reservations. Hanson also informed council that the town insurance policies were being renewed this month with the Pfenninger Agency as in the past. In another matter, the clerk asked for clarification on the town's deposits into the HSA accounts of the town employees. He asked that the contributions be made with each payroll in order to coincide with the payments made by the employees. Consent was given to make half of the monthly deposit with HI-1 deduction and the other half with HI-2 deduction. Finally, Hanson presented council with copies of an ordinance establishing fees for certain services which had been prepared by Dave Copenhaver, as requested by council. The proposed ordinance was taken under advisement by council.

5. Nancy Kinder, Executive Director EIDD and Mark Chmeliwskyj, environmental engineer with Butler Fairman & Seufert brought details concerning Grants for Storm water projects and combined sewer separation projects available through OCRA. They informed council of different options available and the deadlines for applying for the different projects. The rules and deadlines are different for each type of project. The income survey taken in 2007 will be valid for these applications. Local match monies are preferred but not mandatory. These grants are limited to \$1,000,000. The town would need to hire a grant administrator as well as an engineer. The fees paid to the grant administrator would be taken out of the grant after the grant is awarded. If no grant is awarded, no fee is paid. Mark noted that the grant, if awarded, would help meet IDEM requirements for sanitary/storm water separation mandates faced by the town. Council member Jim Mundell made a motion for council to pass a resolution (Resolution 04-06-2010) to proceed with the application process. Member Dan Fountain seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Next, Council member Lisa Hicks-Smith made a motion to allow the clerk-treasurer to proceed with the procurement of a grant administrator. Dan seconded. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was then made by Lisa to use the current General Service Agreement with Butler Fairman & Siefert to handle the



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engineering tasks with fees not to exceed \$5,000 for this grant. Council President Jake Smith seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried. A public hearing for this matter will be held on April 20, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the council meeting room during the regular meeting. The proper advertisements for the public hearing will be prepared by Nancy Kinder and delivered to paper in time to meet the required deadlines.

6. Council Member Tim Mundell brought the idea of a credit check for new utility customers to the council again. He presented a copy of the contract that would be used if the town uses the program. Dave Copenhaver suggested some possible changes to the contract. Tim will check on these and report back to council.

7. Council Member Jim Mundell thanked David Real and the Utility Crew for the great job they performed this winter with snow removal from the streets. In addition, he recognized Tim Mundell for his efforts in obtaining the services of Pavement Solutions for the work on our street surfaces and also for his efforts in trying to make new policies to help the utility department increase their collection rate, especially with rental units.

8. Council President Jake Smith reminded council that the Henry County Economic Development Corporation had requested a representative from Middletown. He reported that Lisa Hicks-Smith had volunteered. Jake made a motion to appoint Lisa. Dan seconded. Jake, Dan and Lisa voted yea. Tim and Jim voted nay. Motion carried.

9. There being nothing further to come before council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.
