

## Town of Middletown

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## MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

**APRIL 20, 2010** 

The Middletown Town Council met for its regularly scheduled meeting on April 20, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the training room at the town hall. The meeting was moved from the regular meeting room to the training room in order to accommodate the larger than usual crowd. Council President Jake Smith opened the meeting by noting that all members were present. He then asked everyone to join in repeating the pledge to the American flag. After the pledge to the flag, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented by Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson.

- 1. Announcement was made by Jake Smith that the Historical Society would be holding a baked potato luncheon on May 1, 2010 from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at the Historical Society. All candidates for the primary election have been invited to attend, so this should be a chance for citizens to meet and greet the candidates.
- 2. Tracy Harrison, utility employee, stated that the Water Board would hold its next meeting on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 12:15 P.M. in the meeting room at the town hall. The public is invited to attend and to participate in the meeting. Also, attendees may feel free to bring a sack lunch to enjoy while attending the meeting.
- 3. As scheduled, the Public Hearing for the grant from the Office of Community and Rural Affair's CDBG Disaster Recovery Appropriation 1 (DR-1) was held. Mike McDaniel from EIDD and Mark Chemliwskyj, P.E. from Butler Fairman & Suefert were present to answer questions from the audience. Mike read a prepared statement from the State Of Indiana explaining the nature of the grants. Citizen Bill Harrison asked if all monies received from this grant would be used for this project. The answer was yes, the money would be used to extend the separation project as far as could be done with the \$1 million. The town would add a matching amount of \$200,000 from the storm-water account to the project as part of the CSO Long Term Plan adopted by the town. Council member Tim Mundell inquired about how the grant administrator for this project would be paid. The administrator is to be paid out of the grant money. If no grant is received, the administrator gets no money. After all in attendance were offered a chance to be heard, the public hearing was closed at 7:26 P.M.
- 4. Phil Chandler, EMS Chief, gave a presentation on the financing of the local emergency medical services. He explained how and why patients' insurance companies are billed and that relationship with Medicare. He gave details on the expenses incurred for the annual operation of the organization and how these expenses are met. He explained that local residents should never receive a billing for services but that visitors to the community would have to be billed if they use the service. These are rules imposed by Medicare, not by the local organization. Phil answered questions asked by those in attendance.
- 5. Ron Koons, cable representative, again reminded that customers of Comcast should be mindful of the cards being mailed which detail changes coming to cable subscribers in early May.
- 6. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson informed council that the notification of grant awards for the street light retrofitting grant would be made in late May instead of late April as originally indicated by the stimulus program.
- 7. Council Member Tim Mundell brought Ordinance 04-20-2010-1, an ordinance setting the deposits for the Middletown Utilities, to the table for its first reading. Jim Mundell made a motion to accept the ordinance on its first reading. Dan Fountain seconded. After much discussion, all five council members voted aye. Motion carried.



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8. Next, Councilman Tim Mundell brought Ordinance 04-20-2010-2, an ordinance establishing a shutoff policy for the Middletown Utility services to the council. Dan Fountain moved to adopt Ordinance 04-20-2010-2 on its first reading. Tim Mundell seconded. All council members voted in favor of the motion. Finally, Tim brought up the issue of a copier for the back hall for use after normal business hours at the utility office. After some discussion, Tim made a motion to table the issue. Jake seconded. All voted to table the issue.

9. Council member Dan Fountain moved for council to adopt Ordinance 04-06-2010, an ordinance establishing fees for certain services on its second reading. President Jake Smith seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. Dan also informed those present that the Web Site had been completed. He presented a final invoice for the work in the amount of \$1500. Changes can be made for a three month period. After that, there will be a \$55 per hour charge for posting. Dan made a motion to pay the claim. Lisa Hicks-Smith seconded. Lisa, Dan and Jake voted yea. Jim and Tim voted nay. Motion carried.

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

at 8:56 P.M.