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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 20, 2011

The Middletown Town Council met for its regularly scheduled meeting on September 20, 2011 in the Council Meeting Room at 653 Locust Street, Middletown, Indiana at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was opened by Council President Tim Mundell. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson noted that Council Members Lisa Hicks, Jim Mundell, Bill Harrison and Betty Riley were present. Also present was counsel for the council, Joel Harvey. Tim led those present in the recitation of the Pledge to the flag. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

1. Council President Tim Mundell opened the Public Hearing for the 2012 Budget Proposal. He gave a brief presentation on the contents of the proposal. After questions and comments from the public, the hearing was closed.

2. Utility Superintendent Tracy Harrison presented quotes for the cleaning of the heating/air conditioning ducts at the Municipal Building as was discussed at the previous meeting. Bill Harrison moved that council use Sylvester/Service Experts to clean the ductwork. Their estimate was for \$2500. Lisa Hicks seconded the motion. The council unanimously voted to accept the estimate.

3. Tim raised the issue of the dispatcher who had been sent home for disciplinary reasons without pay. Jim Mundell made a motion for council to pay the employee for the eight hours pay that was lost. Lisa seconded the motion. Betty, Jim, Lisa and Tim voted yea. Bill voted no. Motion carried. Maggie Kennedy will be paid for the eight hours pay she lost due to being sent home.

4. E.M.S Chief Phil Chandler presented the run sheets for August, 2011. He also gave an update on the costs to the town to upgrade their radio system to narrow band. He informed that the pagers for the alert sirens will need to be changed when the town switches to narrow band. Also licenses need to be re-newed @ \$300 each. There are five licenses to be renewed.

5. Police Chief Tony Robbins asked council to set a date and time when the town will be having Trick-or-Treat. Jim Mundell made a motion that the town set October 31, 2011 from 6:00-9:00 P.M. Betty seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

6. Utility Superintendent Tracy Harrison announced that leaf pick-up will begin when a majority of the leaves have fallen.

7. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson informed council that the expense for the upcoming election would be about \$1325 for the paper ballots and the poll workers stipends. The cost for the special needs voting machine has not yet been determined. He will inform council as soon as he finds the cost. Bill made a motion to approve the election costs. Jim seconded. All voted in favor.

8. Council member Bill Harrison raised the issue of political signs in the park. He felt that it was improper to allow political signage on public property. Perhaps the town needs to pass ordinances to this effect.

9. There being nothing the	ther to come before council, the meeting was adjourned.
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