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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 15, 2011

The Middletown Town Council met for its regularly scheduled meeting on November 15, 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 leading those present in the pledge to the flag. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson noted that Council Members Betty Riley, Jim Mundell, Lisa Hicks and Bill Harrison were also present. Counsel for the council Joel Harvey was present. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

1. Council President Tim Mundell opened by moving that Rod Humphrey be moved from Deputy 2 classification to Deputy 3 classification effective January 1, 2012 as approved in the budget for 2012. Betty Riley seconded the motion. Betty, Jim, Tim and Bill voted yea. Lisa abstained. The motion carried.

2. Next, Mundell made a motion to create a position on the salary scale to compensate the Dispatcher Supervisor at the rate of \$13.00 per hour. The position was created last year, but no position was in the Salary Ordinance for its compensation. Council Member Bill Harrison seconded. Jim, Tim, Bill and Betty voted yea. Lisa voted nay. Motion carried.

3. Mundell made a motion to move the part time dispatchers pay from Class 2 to Class 3 (\$8.40 to \$9.19) as indicated on the Salary Ordinance. Bill seconded. Bill, Jim, Tim and Betty voted yea. Lisa voted nay. Motion carried.

4. To finish the Salary Ordinance matters, President Mundell moved to increase the hourly rate of the full time employees, the Chief of Police and the Utility Superintendent by 2 ½% effective January 1, 2012. There had been no general pay increases for town employees since the Salary Ordinance of 2007 was implemented in January, 2008. Council Member Jim Mundell seconded. Lisa voted nay and Jim, Tim, Betty and Bill voted yea. Motion carried.

5. EMS Chief Phil Chandler asked council about having the defective ceiling panels in the training room repaired. There had been a leaky roof earlier and the panels had not been replaced. Jim Mundell made a motion to authorize repair of the ceiling panels. Betty Riley seconded. The council voted unanimously to accept the motion. Motion carried.

6. Council President brought Ordinance 11-15-2011-1 for its first reading. This ordinance is the policy handbook for the Town of Middletown, as revised. Tim made a motion for council to approve the Ordinance on its first reading. Jim seconded. Tim, Jim, Bill and Betty voted yea. Lisa abstained. Motion carried.

7. Tim Mundell re-appointed Jim Hanson to serve as Commissioner for the Town of Middletown on the IMPA Board of Commissioners for the year 2012.

8. Fire Chief Brian Rednour announced that the Fire Department would be conducting its Boot Drive to raise money for the Christmas Assistance Program on Friday, November 18, 2011 from 3:00-5:30 at the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> and Mill Street. Also he reminded that the issue of Fire Territory would be brought before the council the first meeting in January, 2012.

9. Utility Superintendent Tracy Harrison reported that Santa's Mailbox was installed in front of the Municipal Building. All letters with return addresses will be answered. She also reported that a truck from Waste Management had hit a utility



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pole tearing down power lines. This was at the corner of 13<sup>th</sup> Street and High at approximately 9:00 A.M. this morning. About 30 homes are without power. Power is expected to be restored by 9:00 P.M. this evening.

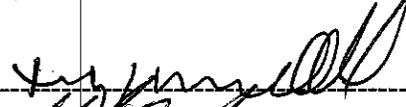
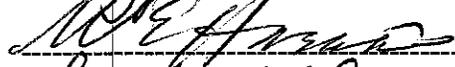
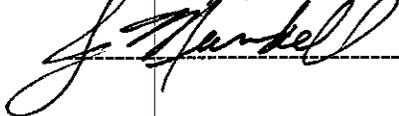
10. Ron Koons announced that Comcast is now offering Home Security Systems to its customers.

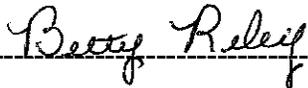
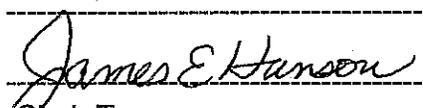
11. Dick Schwalm reported that a sanitary survey of the Middletown Utilities had been conducted. The town had the best ratings they had ever received. Congratulations to Tracy and the employees of the Utility Department.

12. Attorney Joel Harvey updated council on procedures concerning collections from a customer that filed bankruptcy. He will keep council advised on the negotiations.

13. Bill Harrison asked for an update on the issue of uncollected utility bills.

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

  
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