



**Town of Middletown**  
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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 20, 2011

The Middletown Town Council met for its regularly scheduled meeting on December 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 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. As requested at the last council meeting, the Civic Center Board was invited to attend the meeting to discuss several issues that had arisen concerning finances at the center. Jerry Manis, Civic Center Board President, gave an overview of the establishment of the board and how successors to the board are chosen. He presented council with copies of the financial report for the year as prepared by the treasurer of the Civic Center Board. Much discussion followed. Jerry will keep the Town Council informed about the actions of the Civic Center Board. In the absence of Fire Chief Brian Rednour, Jerry presented the run sheets for the period 01-01-2011 thru 12-20-2011 for the Fire Department.

2. Utility Superintendent Tracy Harrison presented council with a proposal to upgrade and replace additional poles in the area where the Waste Management truck damaged the electrical system. The upgrade would cost the town \$39,935 as proposed. Consensus of the council was to leave the area as repaired and start upgrades (if accepted by council) on 8<sup>th</sup> Street as originally proposed. Tracy also gave council a presentation on the major accomplishments of her department for the year and she also listed some of the proposed plans for the coming year.

3. Clerk-Treasurer Jim Hanson questioned council on whether or not they were going to approve payment of the utility bills for the Civic Center. At the previous meeting council had asked no payments be made until this next meeting of the council. The concern was that winter weather would demand gas and electric utilities be kept current. Council Member Bill Harrison moved that council allow the payment of the Vectren Gas Utility Bill as presented. Jim Mundell seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

4. Council Member Jim Mundell brought the issue of golf carts on the streets in Middletown back to the table. He had some suggestions for requirements for those carts and persons who would be driving carts on the streets. He will meet further with the other interested persons and present their recommendations to Joel Harvey, Town Attorney so that he may proceed with preparing any necessary ordinances for council approval should they decide to allow golf carts on the streets.

5. Returning Council Member Bill Harrison invited all citizens of the Town of Middletown to attend the first meeting of the New Year to meet the three new council members and get acquainted with them and the newly elected Clerk-Treasurer.

6. Jerry Mains questioned whether or not the town was collecting a licensing fee for the trash haulers coming into the town. He felt it would be another source of income for the town.

7. Dick Schwalm announced that the next meeting of the Utility Advisory Board would be on January 4, 2012 at 12:15 P.M. in the council meeting room at the Municipal Building. The meeting dates for 2012 will continue as the first Wednesday of each month at the Municipal Building meeting room at 12:15 P.M.



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8. Danny Justice informed that the Christmas Parade was a great success this year. He thanked all those involved and announced that the parade would be held one week earlier next year. This would be the first Saturday of December. Danny also thanked the present council for all their endeavors in the past year.

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

*Booey Riley*

*Norman Purdie*

*Steff Dinnel*

*Danny Justice*

*William E. Harrison*

*John Low*  
Clerk-Treasurer