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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 8, 2015

The Middletown Town Council met for a special meeting on December 8, 2015 in the Public Meeting Room at 653 Locust Street, Middletown, Indiana at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was opened by Town Council President Betty Riley leading those present in the pledge to the flag. Clerk-Treasurer Drew Cooper noted that Council Members Betty Riley, Dave Wagner, Gary Kendall, and Norm Purdue were present. Council Member Shelly Kimmerling was absent. Town Attorney Joel Harvey was present.

1. A public hearing was held on the proposed ordinance to increase the water rates to pay for the Water Treatment Plant Replacement Project.

2. Doug Baldessari, of Umbaugh & Associates, presented the final water rate study based on the low bid received on at the December 1 meeting. Baldessari presented four options:

- I. With \$5,000 payment in lieu of taxes & \$25,000 improvements budget
- II. With \$5,000 payment in lieu of taxes & \$34,000 improvements budget
- III. With no payment in lieu of taxes & \$25,000 improvements budget
- IV. With no payment in lieu of taxes & \$37,900 improvements budget

3. There were no questions or comments from the public. Betty Riley moved to close the public hearing. Dave Wagner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. The Clerk-Treasurer recommended the Council adopt option III, which would increase the water rates by the least amount, 52%.

5. Dave Wagner moved to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 2015-9 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3-2013 AN ORDINANCE INCREASING RATES CHARGED TO CUSTOMERS OF THE MIDDLETOWN WATER UTILITY, Option III. Norm Purdue seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The ordinance was adopted.

6. Betty Riley moved to authorize the Town Council President to sign the Tentative Notice of Award for the construction of the new Water Treatment Plant to Graves Construction/Plumbing Co., as per the recommendation of the town's engineering firm, Buter-Fairman-Seufert. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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

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