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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 17, 2016

The Middletown Town Council met for its regularly scheduled meeting on May 17, 2016 in the Public Meeting Room at 653 Locust Street, Middletown, Indiana at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was opened by Town Council President Jake Smith leading those present in the pledge to the flag. Clerk-Treasurer Drew Cooper noted that Council Members Jake Smith, Donita Chambless, Dave Wagner, and Betty Riley were present. Council Member Gary Kendall was absent. Greg Crider was filling in for Town Attorney Joel Harvey.

1. The Town Marshal introduced three K-9 officers from nearby agencies who spoke on the pros and cons of using police dogs. The Clerk-Treasurer presented a report on the estimated costs of a police dog program. Dave Wagner moved to authorize the officers of the Middletown Police Department to hold fundraising events and solicit donations for the K-9 Fund. Donita Chambless seconded. Jake Smith, Dave Wagner, and Donita Chambless voted yes. Betty Riley abstained. The motion passed.

2. The Town Marshal recommended the purchase of a utility storage box to be added to one of the Ford Explorer Police Vehicles at a cost of approximately \$2300, with the purchase being made from the General Fund Police Department Equipment Budget. Donita Chambless moved to authorize the Town Marshal to make the purchase. Betty Riley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. The Clerk-Treasurer reported that a settlement with 3-D Company Inc. had been reached at mediation held on May 16. 3-D agreed to pay \$25,368.91 in liquated damages, making the amount of retainage to release to 3-D \$75,000. Dave Wagner moved to authorize the Town Council President to sign a settlement agreement with 3-D Company Inc. as soon as the document has been vetted by both side's attorneys and also authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to pay 3-D the \$75,000 once the settlement agreement has been executed. Betty Riley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Dave Wagner moved to authorize Butler-Fairman-Seufert to advertise for bids on the 8th Street Stormsewer Project, with the bids to be opened on June 24 at 10:00 a.m. Betty Riley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

5. A public hearing was held on an additional appropriation for the Riverboat Fund. The Clerk-Treasurer read RESOLUTION 2016-05-17-01 A RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS TO CERTAIN FUNDS. The resolution was to increase the appropriation for the Riverboat Fund by \$5000, with the intent to transfer this \$5000 to the Civic Center Fund. There were no questions or comments from the public. Dave Wagner moved to approve Resolution 2016-05-17-01. Donita Chambless seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

6. The Clerk-Treasurer announced that A.J. Hamilton had been appointed by Fallcreek Township Trustee Don Osborne to replace Al Hayes on the Park Board.

7. Donita Chambless moved to reschedule the June 7 Town Council meeting to May 31 because of the Lions Club Fair Parade. Betty Riley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Clerk-Treasurer