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MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 13, 2017

The Middletown Town Council met on June 13, 2017 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 was present. Council Members Jake Smith, Donita Chambless, Dave Wagner and Gary Kendall were present. Council Member Betty Riley was absent. Town Attorney Joel Harvey was present.

1. Jake Smith moved to wave the rummage sale fee for residents of Crestwood Trailer Park for the next two weeks. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Kim Hall, a resident who had recently been attacked by a loose dog on the streets of Middletown, came before the Town Council asking if there was anything that could be done about the problem of loose dogs in town. After much discussion, the Town Marshal suggested that the Henry County-New Castle Humane Society was the only agency authorized by state law to protect Middletown citizens from loose dogs, unless the dog is aggressive and has bitten someone. He also stated that the Humane Society should not be charging the town a fee for handling loose dogs since they are obligated by state law to provide this service to all citizens of the county outside of cities. The Town Council President instructed the Town Attorney to investigate the Town Marshal's assertions and report back at the next meeting.
3. The Dispatch Supervisor recommended that Bryan Reed be promoted from Dispatcher Grade 4 to Dispatcher Grade 5, also that Edmund Davis be promoted from Dispatcher Grade 1 to Dispatcher Grade 2. Dave Wagner moved to approve the two promotions. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Scott Emswiler, of Scott's Computers, and Jerry Harter, of Ambit Enterprises, presented a proposal to replace the Municipal Building's current Centrex phone system with a new Internet based system. After a lengthy discussion, the Town Council President tabled the consideration of the proposal until the next meeting.
5. The EMS Chief presented a proposal to purchase a new 2017 Ford F450 ambulance from Hoosier Fire Equipment for \$268,594.00. He recommended financing the purchase with a 5-year lease-purchase plan through Community Leasing Partners, with the Town of Middletown contributing half the income tax money deposited into the LOIT Fire Public Safety Fund each year, and the EMS non-profit organization paying the rest.
6. Dave Wagner moved to authorize the expenditure of half the income tax money deposited into the LOIT Fire Public Safety Fund each year for lease payments on a new 2017 Ford F450 ambulance. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Dave Wagner moved to authorize the Town Council President to sign agreements with Hoosier Fire Equipment and Community Leasing Partners for executing a lease-purchase of a new 2017 Ford F450 ambulance. Donita Chambless seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
8. The Utilities Superintendent recommended that Cody Walter be promoted from Summer Help-2 to Utility Worker Grade 2 and made a full-time employee. Dave Wagner moved to approve the promotion. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
9. Dave Wagner moved to authorize the Utilities Superintendent to draw up the change order required to use the remaining balance of the SRF loan from the Water Treatment Plant Replacement Project for a new water main and fire hydrant at the Town Park Apartments. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



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10. Matt Spidel, of Buter-Fairman-Seufert, presented Pay Application #4 submitted by Brackney, Inc. for continued work on the 8th Street Stormsewer Project. The pay application is for \$29,715.61 with \$2,971.56 going into retainage. Donita Chambless moved to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to make the payment. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Dave Wagner moved to approve RESOLUTION 2017-06-13-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL SETTING THE MATERIALITY THRESHOLD POLICY. The resolution sets the materiality threshold at \$20,000. Donita Chambless seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

12. The Town Council President announced that the July 4 meeting will be re-scheduled to July 11, due to Independence Day.

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

Clerk-Treasurer