

MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 21, 2018

The Middletown Town Council met 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, Steve Holmes, Donita Chambless, Dave Wagner, and Gary Kendall were present. Town Attorney Joel Harvey was present.

1. A public hearing was held on the proposed 2019 budget.
2. A discussion was held on the voluntary annexation of 3 parcels on the west end of town near Corporation Line Road. The Town Council President tabled the discussion until the next meeting.
3. Dave Wagner moved to authorize the Utilities Superintendent to make repairs to the lift station at Locust and 15th Streets for up to \$20,000. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Dave Wagner moved to declare an emergency, as per IC 36-1-12-9, and after requesting and receiving bids from 3 contractors: Bowen, Kokosing Industrial, and Pritchett Backhoe; authorize the Town Council President to sign an agreement with Pritchett Backhoe Service to make the complete repairs of the collapsed sewer main on 10th Street between Locust and Cottage Avenue. Donita Chambless seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Dave Wagner moved to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to release SRF funds equaling \$56,794.50 to Chandler's Excavating as per Contractor's Progress Estimate #2 submitted by Butler-Fairman-Seufert, along with change order #1. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Gary Kendall moved to authorize Butler-Fairman-Seufert to advertise for bids on the Sewage Treatment Plant Update Project. Donita Chambless seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Bids will be opened at the September 18 meeting.
7. Steve Holmes moved to sell the 1978 International Dump Truck to Danny Pugsley for \$800 and the 1986 Chevy Blazer to James Soldi for \$500. Donita Chambless seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
8. The Town Marshal reported that Deputy Matt Thompson has resigned as a full-time deputy, but will stay on in a part-time status. The Marshal will accept applications and hold interviews on September 25 and 26.
9. The Town Marshal turned in an updated K9 Unit Plan and Standard Operating Procedures, as previously requested by the town council.
10. Council Member Dave Wagner reported he is ready to hold job interviews for some of the applicants for the Utilities Superintendent position. The Town Attorney advised that an executive session could be held so that all council members could be present at the job interviews.

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

Clerk-Treasurer