

# MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 5, 2019

The Middletown Town Council met in the Public Meeting Room at 653 Locust Street, Middletown, Indiana at 7:00 P.M. Council Members Dan Fountain, Donita Chambless, Dick Schwalm, Jake Smith, and Gary Kendall were present. Clerk-Treasurer Drew Cooper was present. Town Attorney Joel Harvey was absent.

1. Donita Chambless moved to authorize the Fire Chief to purchase turn-out gear for the Fire Department from Hoosier Fire Equipment for \$9,777.00, to be paid from the LIT Fire Public Safety Fund. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Dave Muse, a member of the public, requested the council look into updating the electrical wiring requirements the town has in the code book. Dick Schwalm volunteered to work with the Utilities Superintendent to study this matter and report back at the next meeting.
3. Dan Fountain moved to approve the second reading by name and number only of ORDINANCE 2019-2 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31.10 OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWN CODE. This ordinance changes the town code to allow police officers to be appointed as the Code Enforcement Officer. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The ordinance passed on its second reading.
4. Donita Chambless moved to suspend the rules and approve the third reading by name and number only of ORDINANCE 2019-2 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31.10 OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWN CODE. Dan Fountain seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The ordinance passed on its third reading. The ordinance was adopted.
5. Donita Chambless moved to authorize the Town Council President to sign agreements with Yardberry Landscape and Crosby Construction for the Sewer Plant Update Project. Gary Kendall seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Sealed quotes were opened on the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Sewer Main Repair Project:  
Granite Constructions, Base \$35,612.00, Alt1 \$39,311.00, Alt2 \$19,825.00  
Inland Waters, Base \$32,830.00, Alt1 \$45,089.00, Alt2 \$21,935.00  
Insituform Tech, Base \$38,837.80, Alt1 \$44,778.50, Alt2 \$22,750.00  
Matt Spidel, of Butler-Fairman-Seufert, took the quotes for analysis and will report back with a recommendation at the next meeting.
7. Bids were opened on the 2018 INDOT Community Crossings Grant Project:  
E&B Paving \$192,850.20  
Baumgartner \$208,561.20  
Milestone \$228,265.50  
Spidel took the bids for analysis and will report back with a recommendation at the next meeting.
8. Bids were opened on the sale of the 1965 Chevy/Howe fire truck:  
Gary Kendall \$650.00  
Melvin Zachary \$750.00  
Steve Case \$506.00  
Donita Chambless moved to authorize the sale of the truck to the high bidder Melvin Zachary for \$750.00. Dan Fountain seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
9. The Clerk-Treasurer reported that former Utilities Superintendent Tracy Harrison has refused the offer of \$2,566.00 for back certification pay. A counter offer will be presented at the next meeting.
10. The Town Marshal recommended that Marty Dulworth be hired as a Deputy Marshal Grade 3. Dick Schwalm moved to hire Dulworth. Dan Fountain seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Dick Schwalm volunteered to be a Utility Liaison between the town council members and the Utility Superintendent. The council agreed to this by consensus.

12. The Clerk-Treasurer reported on the negative cash flow in the utility funds over the past three years, especially the Sewer Operating Fund.

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

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	Clerk-Treasurer