

# MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 21st 2020

The Middletown Town Council met at 7:00 P.M. All members were present. Town Attorney Joel Harvey was present

1. A large crowd was present for the retirement ceremony of K-9 officer Kimbo. Jake Smith presented a plaque to Amanda Riwitis recognizing his service to the community.
2. Darrin Jacobs, Henry County Zoning Administrator, was present to discuss the rezoning of a property at 1205 High Street. It is currently zoned Light Industrial and should be zoned residential. He presented Ordinance 2020-4 for the council to rezone the property. Dave Wagner motioned and Gary Kendall seconded approving the resolution. Motion carried 5-0. The council then suspended the rules and passed the Ordinance on three readings.
3. Christine Brown was present to discuss her utility bill and recent power surges. Carl Spears reported that they had bypassed the reclosures on the circuit and would replace them tomorrow. This should fix the problem with the power going off and on. She was also given suggestions on what in her house might be using the most electricity.
4. Kevin Rednour requested that the Fire Department be allowed to buy two leaf blowers that would be used to help combat grass fires. They would cost approximately 500.00 each. By consensus, the council approved the request.
5. Baumgartner pay request #2 for the amount of 5409.00 was presented. Dave Wagner motioned and Dan Fountain seconded approving the payment. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Baumgartner pay request #3 was presented. This was requesting the release of retainage in the amount of 23,320.75. Dave Wagner motioned and Dick Schwalm seconded approving the payment. Motion carried 5-0.
7. Three requests for reimbursement from IFA for COVID-19 related expenses were presented. President Jake Smith signed all three requests and they were submitted to IFA.
8. Ordinance 2020-3, an Ordinance allowing parking in front of 105 N 5<sup>th</sup> street was introduced. This ordinance allows parking in front the building for loading and unloading only. Dan Fountain motioned and Gary Kendall seconded approving the ordinance on its' first reading. Motion carried 5-0.
9. It was proposed that Monday August 10<sup>th</sup> through Saturday August 15<sup>th</sup> would be the Town Cleanup Week. There will be dumpsters at the Wastewater Plant for residents to use. The dumpsters will be manned and available from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. during the week. Residents must show a utility bill to use the dumpsters. Dan Fountain motioned and Gary Kendall seconded approving the plan. Motion carried 5-0.
10. Dave Wagner motioned and Dan Fountain seconded allowing Amanda Riwitis to keep retired K-9 officer Kimbo as her personal dog. Motion carried 5-0.
11. Utility Superintendent Carl Spears presented quotes for a new Utility Truck. He will be trading in a 2013 F-150. Dan Fountain motioned and Gary Kendall seconded buying a 2020 Chevrolet Silverado for a cost of 22,824 from Stoops Automotive Group in Muncie. This price includes 16,000 for the trade in value of the F-150. Motion carried 5-0.

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

John Smith

Richard Schwalbe

Mary Koo

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Clerk-Treasurer