

MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 8, 2019 | 7:00 p.m.

The Middletown Town Council Meeting was held in the Council Chambers, 7875 Church Street Middletown, VA on Monday April 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Present

Mayor Charles Harbaugh, IV
Councilor Carolyn Aliff
Councilor Daryl Terrill
Councilor Jeffrey Pennington
Councilor George Smith
Councilor Carole Snyder Jones
Councilor Scott Fink

Staff Present

Municipal Clerk Christina Smith
Treasurer/Town Manager Rebecca Layman
Chief Gary Benedict Jr.
Public Works Superintendent Les Morefield
Public Works Employee Allen Nance

1. Call to Order

Mayor Harbaugh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Moment of Silence

Mayor Harbaugh called for a moment of silence.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Harbaugh led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Roll Call

All Councilors were present.

5. Set Agenda

Mayor Harbaugh asked for a motion to set the agenda. Councilor Pennington made a motion to set the agenda. Councilor Snyder Jones seconded the motion. All Councilors were in favor and the agenda was set.

6. Approval of Previous Council Meeting Minutes

Councilor Snyder Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from March 11, 2019 Town Council meeting. Councilor Fink seconded the motion. All Councilors were in favor and all minutes were passed.

7. Citizen Comments (3 minutes per person per meeting – max 30 minutes)

Tess Klimm 7930 Main Street – see attached

8. Report of the Facilities Committee

Nothing to report

9. Report of the Personnel and Finance Committee

Councilor Snyder Jones made a motion to approve the Treasurer report. Councilor Aliff seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Aliff – Yes

Councilor Terrill – Yes

Councilor Pennington – Yes

Councilor Smith – Yes

Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes

Councilor Fink – Yes

Motion carried 6-0

10. Report of the Public Works Committee

Nothing to report

11. Report of Public Safety Committee

Councilor Fink stated police calls and case reviews are in the packet.

12. Report of the Ordinance Committee

Nothing to report

13. Report of the Planning and Zoning Committee

Nothing to report

14. Report of Special Committees

Mayor Harbaugh stated today was opening day for baseball at the town park. Legacy Saints defeated Paw Paw 20 - 3

15. New or Unfinished Business

Set Work Session Meeting date – May 6, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

16. Petitions and Communication

Nothing to report

17. Adjournment

Mayor Harbaugh adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Christina Smith
Municipal Clerk

Charles Harbaugh, IV
Mayor

April 8, 2019

To Town Council

My name is Tess Klimm and I am here tonight as president representing the Middletown Heritage Society. In March at our monthly meeting we voted to offer the Heritage Society's assistance to work with the town and possibly form a committee to help design and fund a display for the newly finished space upstairs at Town Hall.

We do understand that the space is not yet available to the public until handicap assistance of some form such as a chair lift is provided. Actually, creating a display museum like area would also require time for public outreach gathering our history and creating a vision which will work best for the future use of that room.

One idea we discussed is to provide a storyboard around the room on large 8x4 foot stretched canvas prints with smaller artifacts hung beside the canvas prints and possibly some small display cases against the walls. We could begin "Indian Highway" to "Early Settlers" to "Middletown is incorporated" to the "The Turning Point of our Civil War" to "The Railroad provides transportation" to "1900's Main Street" and more as examples until now.

Middletown has a very rich history with inventors of the threshing machine Danner Clocks and so much more. It had a baseball team and a carnival on Main Street. This is a wonderful opportunity to help tell that history even if the space is only open a few times a year.

I'm hoping Jeff Pennington with his love and knowledge of history and anyone else interested will help represent the council's interest and give permission for the Society to begin to ask for community participation to help design a possible display.

Sincerely,



Tess Klimm
President MHS