

MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 9, 2015

The Middletown Town Council Meeting was held in the Council Chamber, 7875 Church Street, Middletown, VA on Monday March 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Present

Mayor Charles Harbaugh, IV
Councilor Tom Simon
Councilor George Smith
Councilor Carole Snyder Jones
Councilor Jeff Pennington
Councilor Carolyn Aliff
Councilor Scott Fink

Staff Present

Municipal Clerk Christina Smith
Public Works Superintendant Donald Riffey
Chief of Police Phil Breeden

1. Call to Order

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

2. Moment of Silence

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

6. Citizen Comments

Marshall Brown at 7994 Main Street Middletown, VA states he is here due to the inaction of the current administration. He states Frederick County just cleaned out a well west of town and has laid out plans to run water lines from that well underneath the railroad tracks, underneath Meadowbrook and underneath Route 11 over into LFCC. This Town is about to lose millions of dollars for failure by this administration to do a boundary adjustment or annex that property. What it would cost in attorneys fees is a spit in the bucket compared to the income that will come in from that property. Once they go across 81 and start building it up we will never be able to touch that property again. This is serious folks and this has been dragging on since my administration but a decision has to be made and let the people of this town know. Does this current administration have the desire and understanding of what this community needs for the future. We are going to go down in smoke without that property. Please sit down and talk about it, pull the attorney in on it, pull anybody in on it. The tax revenue that the Dollar General has brought this community to allow us to put water lines in that we needed, improve the sewage lines, improve the

sewage plant. There are so many things that we need the cash for today and in the future that we are not going to have.

Ken Hunter at 128 Blackfeet Trail Winchester, VA states he is here to introduce himself and let the Town know he is running for Board of Supervisors against Gary Lofton as the Republican nomination. He would appreciate everyone to come out on April 27, 2015 to Millbrook High School from 6:30 to 7:30 and vote for him.

Shawn Graber at 456 Brill Road Star Tannery, VA states he is also running for the Board of Supervisors as an Independent and would like to meet with anyone that is interested after the meeting tonight to answer any questions and tell you a little bit about himself.

7. Approval of Previous Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Harbaugh asked for a motion to approve the February 9, 2015 minutes. Councilor Aliff made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. All Councilors were in favor and the Town Council minutes were approved.

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 Simon seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Aliff – Yes	Councilor Smith – Yes
Councilor Pennington – Yes	Councilor Simon – Yes
Councilor Fink – Yes	Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes

Motion carried 6-0

10. Report of the Public Works Committee

Councilor Simon made a motion to move \$5267.50 from budget line item 20-810-0400 to budget line item 20-810-0200. Councilor Pennington seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Aliff – Yes	Councilor Smith – Yes
Councilor Pennington – Yes	Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes
Councilor Simon – Yes	Councilor Fink – Yes

Motion carried 6-0

Councilor Simon made a motion to move \$6016.50 from budget line item 30-820-0400 to budget line item 30-820-0200. Councilor Aliff seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Aliff – Yes	Councilor Smith – Yes
Councilor Pennington – Yes	Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes
Councilor Simon – Yes	Councilor Fink – Yes

Motion carried 6-0

Councilor Simon made a motion to approve Carl Brown Consulting to perform a water & sewer rate analysis in the amount of \$11,284.00. Councilor Aliff seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Aliff – Yes	Councilor Smith – Yes
Councilor Pennington – Yes	Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes
Councilor Simon – Yes	Councilor Fink – Yes

Motion carried 6-0

11. Report of Public Safety Committee

Councilor Aliff stated the police report/calls are in the packet.

12. Report of the Ordinance Committee

Councilor Pennington made a motion to approve “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CERTAIN TOWN CODE SECTIONS PERTAINING TO PARKING and IDLING OF LARGE VEHICLES AND CAMPERS. Councilor Aliff seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Aliff – Yes	Councilor Smith – No
Councilor Pennington – Yes	Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes
Councilor Simon – Yes	Councilor Fink – Yes

Motion carried 5-1

13. Report of the Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilor Fink made a motion to approve Resolution that Town Council members appointed to its Boards and Commissions as a liaison are not voting members of such Boards and Commissions. Councilor Snyder Jones seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Aliff – Yes	Councilor Smith – Yes
Councilor Pennington – Yes	Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes
Councilor Simon – Yes	Councilor Fink – Yes

Motion carried 6-0

14. Report of Special Committees

Middletown’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt March 28, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Middletown Town Park.

15. New or Unfinished Business

Committee Meeting will be March 17, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.
Work Session Meeting will be April 6, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.

16. Petitions and Communications

Nothing to report

17. Adjournment

Mayor Harbaugh adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Christina Smith
Town Clerk

Charles H. Harbaugh, IV Mayor