

MIDDLETOWN TOWN COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
February 13, 2012

Town Council Present

Mayor Marshall Brown
Councilor Charles H. Harbaugh, IV.
Gil Barrington
Councilor Donna M. G. Gray
Councilor Mark H. Davis
Councilor John Blaisdell

Town Council Absent

Councilor Bernhards

Staff Present

Rebecca L. Layman, Clerk

Mayor Brown called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Brown asked for a roll call. Clerk Layman stated all Councilors present with the exception of Councilor Bernhards. Mayor Brown stated that this Public Hearing was on an ordinance to amend Chapter 15, Article III, Water Rates and Charges, Sec 15-25 (A). Mayor Brown asked that Council make a correction on their paper were it states a 14% increase change to a .66 cents per one thousand gallon. Mayor Brown asked if there were any citizen comments. Clerk Layman stated yes that Susan Chewning had a comment.

Susan Chewning 2176 Shawn Drive – She understands the need for the water rate increase, because when Winchester charges more for water Middletown does as well. Mrs. Chewning would like to state that every time something comes up the answer is always we the Town are going to cut services if we don't get a 30% increase. Mrs. Chewning stated that water and sewer revenue does not supply services to the Town, water and sewer revenue is suppose to take care of water and sewer and she understands that it is suppose to be sustainable, and that money should not be used to supply regular services that we get any place else. Mrs. Chewning stated that you can't cut water and sewer services and she understands that we have to pay for it, but that is not something you can cut, and that is not a threat that can be used.

Mayor Brown called to adjourn the Public Hearing meeting at 6:40 pm.

Marshall Brown, Mayor

Rebecca L. Layman, Town Clerk