

TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 9, 2021 | 7:00 P.M.

The Town of Middletown Town Council meeting was held in the council chambers located at 7875 Church Street, Middletown VA on Monday August 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Town Council Present

Mayor Charles Harbaugh IV
Vice Mayor Jeffrey Pennington
Councilor Carolyn Aliff
Councilor Scott Fink
Councilor Carole Snyder Jones
Councilor Shayla Rickard
Councilor Stephanie Mitchell

Staff Present

Municipal Clerk Christina Smith
Police Chief Gary Benedict Jr.

1. Set Agenda

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

2. Approval of Previous Council Meeting Minutes

Councilor Pennington made a motion to approve the Town Council Meeting minutes from July 12, 2021. Councilor Fink seconded the motion. All Councilors were in favor and the minutes were passed.

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

John Owing 7000 Valley Pike – states he opposes the Hester Property Development and urges the Town Council not to approve the site. He is concerned with the growth in this area and the traffic. He stated we do not know what they would be building so why would you approve it.

John O’Connell 8365 Valley Pike – New plant manager from Thermo Fisher Diagnostics introduced himself and gave a brief history of his career with Thermo Fisher and advised Mayor & Town Council he is looking forward to a continued relationship. The mayor presented Mr. O’Connell with an appreciation plaque for their recent donation for the town’s 4th of July celebration in the amount of \$5k

Shawn Graber Back Creek District Supervisor with Frederick County touched on some recent concerns regarding the development of the Hester Property. He advised some more citizen input sessions would be beneficial to calm the concerns and answer questions. He was not signed up to speak.

4. Report of the Facilities Committee

Nothing to report

5. Report of the Personnel and Finance Committee

Councilor Snyder Jones made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Councilor Fink seconded the motion. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Fink – Yes
Councilor Mitchell – Yes
Councilor Pennington – Yes

Councilor Rickard – Yes
Councilor Aliff – Yes
Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes

Motion carried 6-0

6. Report of the Public Works Committee

Nothing to report

7. Report of Public Safety Committee

Councilor Fink stated nothing to report other than as reported in the packet.

8. Report of the Ordinance Committee

Nothing to report

9. Report of the Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilor Pennington read the Third & Final reading of “ORDINANCE TO RE-ENACT SECTION 17-7(A) THE HISTORIC DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN’S ZONING ORDINANCES. Councilor Snyder Jones seconded the reading. Mayor Harbaugh asked for a roll call vote.

Councilor Fink – Yes
Councilor Mitchell – Yes
Councilor Pennington – Yes

Councilor Rickard – Yes
Councilor Aliff – Yes
Councilor Snyder Jones – Yes

Reading carried 6-0

10. Report of Special Committees

11th Annual Car, Truck & Tractor Show August 15, 2021 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

11. New or Unfinished Business

Set Joint Public Hearing – August 23, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.
Set Work Session Meeting – Tuesday September 7, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

12. Petitions and Communication

Nothing to report

13. Adjournment

Mayor Harbaugh adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Christina Smith
Municipal Clerk

Charles Harbaugh, IV
Mayor