

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN

The Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Middletown held a regular meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at 11803 Old Shelbyville Road.

Present at the meeting were:

Mayor J. Byron Chapman

Commissioner Mark Stigers

Commissioner Paul Zimmerman

Commissioner Amy Oliver

Commissioner Ron Wolf

City Attorney John Singler

City Clerk Deborah Columbia

City Treasurer Tracy Dohn

Director of Operations Marty Stansbury

Call to Order

Mayor Chapman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Silent reading of minutes

Commissioner Stigers made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 14, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf and unanimously approved.

Silent Reading of Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for February 1, 2019 through February 28, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman and unanimously approved.

Middletown Cemetery 4A

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve the February financial report for the cemetery. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Oliver and unanimously approved.

Cemetery 4B

None.

Announcements

Commissioner Stigers advised they were having a clean up day on Saturday 3/16 from 9:00 - noon at the cemetery.

Police Update

Sgt. Bass was in attendance and advised they are taking less reports due to the MPD. For the month they responded to two burglaries and one theft from auto.

Museum Moment

Nancy Wetherby had no news but did advise their member dinner is next month.

Middletown Chamber of Commerce

Executive Director, Freda Chapman, stated there are now 400 + members. The chamber's lunch was today and a speaker with OSHA was there.

Comments from the floor

None.

Middletown Police Update, Chief Herman

Chief Herman gave a brief update regarding the events in February. We had one officer that left but we will be hiring a new officer that starts next week.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-A First Watch 18DEVPLAN1200, 12913 Shelbyville Road

Mike Hill with Land Design was here representing First Watch. He gave an overview of the project.

The commission asked about drainage - they are still looking at this and will get approval from MSD.

The building could not be saved, and they plan a scrape and rebuild. They hope to start quickly after the acquisition is complete.

The landscape plan will need to be approved later.

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-A and Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-C Hi Float 18DEVPIAN1213, 13025 Middletown Industrial

Missy Legel with Civil Design, Inc. was here representing Hi Float. This new building will have the same look as the existing building. They will need to go back to BOZA for a setback waiver.

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-C and Commissioner Stigers seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-B 17LSCAPE1029 Revised Landscape Plan, Story Point

Greg Zimmerer with Milestone Design was in attendance representing Story Point. This is a revised landscape plan to add a generator and additional shrubs.

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-B and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-D Apply for Recreational Trail Grant & Municipal Order 03-14-19-E Apply for Land & Water Grant

Mayor Chapman advised we would address these two together. The Rec Trail grant is 80/20 and Land & Water is 50/50 and we can apply for \$250,000 each.

We have a budget - we can amend as we go along if needed.

An audience member asked if we would consider a family restroom and another asked if we were going to put two maintenance buildings up.

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-D and Commissioner Stigers seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-E and Commissioner Oliver seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-G Professional Services Contract for Wetherby Park

This was tabled until the next meeting in April as the commission wants to see past projects that Bell and Bayus have completed.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-F Mowing Contract extension - 1 year

This is to extend the mowing contract one more year.

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-F and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-H Extending Eventualities festival contract - 2 years

This is to extend the festival contract for two more years.

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-H and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 03-14-19-I Awarding Garbage Contract

Attorney Singler provided an update that Rumpke did not exercise their option to extend by two years, so we had to put the contract out to bid.

Rumpke was the low bidder. Mayor Chapman recommends we take the two-year option as the price is the same.

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve Municipal Order 03-14-19-I and Commissioner Stigers seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ordinance 03-14-19-A Codification Update - first reading

Attorney Singler recapped the ordinance and advised the ordinances are on line with American Legal. This is the first reading.

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to consider this the first reading of Ordinance 03-14-19-A and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ordinance 03-14-19-B Changes to Chapter 152: Signage - first reading

Attorney Singler advised this is to provide guidelines for when something is art and when it is signage. If it's art, it is exempt from signage regulations. The application must come to the city for approval.

Commissioner Stigers made a motion to consider this the first reading of Ordinance 03-14-19-B and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ordinance 02-14-19-A Insurance Premium Tax Revision, second reading

John read the ordinance and advised Metro is raising the insurance premium tax and this must be completed by 3-23 when the rates are published. Middletown will only raise their rate if Metro raises their rate. This will keep the monies in Middletown and they will not go to Metro.

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion to approve Ordinance 02-14-19-A and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Singler advised we have a couple of properties lingering with delinquent taxes and grass cutting. He will have more information at the next meeting.

Project reports and/or up-dates:

None.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Oliver and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.


Deborah Columbia, City Clerk


J. Byron Chapman, Mayor