

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN

The Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Middletown held a special meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at 11803 Old Shelbyville Road.

Present at the meeting were:

Mayor J. Byron Chapman
Commissioner Marcie Willhite - absent
Commissioner Mark Stigers
Commissioner Paul Zimmerman
Commissioner Tom Abbott
City Attorney John Singler
City Clerk/Mayor Assistant Deborah Columbia
City Treasurer Tracy Dohn
Admin Paula Osbourne
Director of Operations Marty Stansbury

Call to Order

Mayor Chapman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Silent reading of minutes

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 12, 2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman and unanimously approved.

Silent Reading of Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Stigers made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018 as tendered by the City Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman and unanimously approved.

Middletown Cemetery 4A

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to approve the April financial report for the cemetery. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman and unanimously approved.

Cemetery 4B

None.

Announcements

None.

Police Update

None.

Museum Moment

Mrs. Wetherby said there was no new news.

Middletown Chamber of Commerce

No report.

Comments from the floor

At the time there was none, however later in the meeting the following occurred: Karen Fox, 244-0156, 119 Wooded Falls asked for her streets to be paved. She also stated they are plagued with speeders in that subdivision. Chief Blaser will monitor the streets. There is a retention basin by the condos that has trash in it and attracts a lot of bugs. Mayor Chapman advised that is privately owned but we would contact them.

Tina Kopatz lives in Canterbury, she has made several complaints about the graffiti on the Peddler's Mall. Marty will contact them again about painting.

Middletown Police Update, Chief Blaser

Chief Blaser advised they have been writing some citations - mostly warnings. Metro Safe is re-doing the city map to show the Middletown area. Once this is completed, they should start to get dispatched.

Municipal Order 05-15-18-C, 18LSCAPE1023, Chapel in the Woods, Southeast Christian, landscape plan

Steven Heuke with Heritage Engineering was in attendance representing Southeast.

They advised there will be on site water storage and they will protect the existing trees.

Attorney Singler recapped the municipal order. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to approve Municipal Order 05-15-18-C and Commissioner Stigers seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 05-15-18-A Approving extension of mowing contract

Attorney Singler read the municipal order and advised this is for a one- year extension at the same price.

Commissioner Stigers made a motion to approve Municipal Order 05-15-18-A and Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 05-15-18-B Professional services contract for auditor

Attorney Singler advised that this is a professional services contract.

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion to approve Municipal Order 05-15-18-B and Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ordinance 05-15-18-A, Setting the tax rate, first reading

Attorney Singler advised this is the first reading. The tax rate is the same as last year - .135.

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to consider this the first reading of Ordinance 05-15-18-A and Commissioner Stigers seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ordinance 05-15-18-B, Comprehensive Plan 2040

Attorney Singler explained the plan as follows: There is a joint planning unit with all cities with zoning authority that have input into the comprehensive plan outline, goals and objectives and the founding ideas. Every 5 years the plan must be amended. The Land Development Code is the implementation of these goals. There is a 90-day window to get all cities to pass the plan.

This is the first reading. Jeff O'Brien and Joe Haberman will be at the next meeting to provide details.

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to consider this the first reading of Ordinance 05-15-18-B and Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Project reports and/or up-dates:

No update.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Singler advised that city has received a request from a gentleman that wants to have an Air BNB in Middletown. This is considered a short-term rental.

Mayor Chapman spoke with Mr. Duncan who wants to have this rental on Herrick Lane. He indicated that he wants to "do things the right way" that is why he came to the city regarding his proposal.

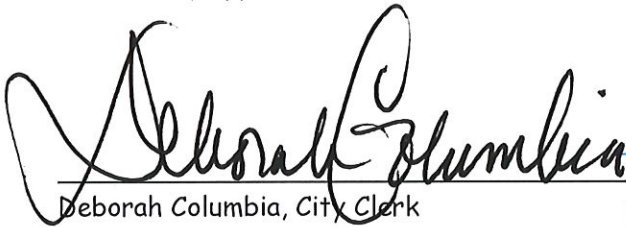
Attorney Singler advised that if we want to allow this, we would have to pass this portion of the Land Development code that pertains to short term rentals and adopt an ordinance.

Mayor Chapman asked the commissioners what they thought. Commissioners Zimmerman and Stigers were in favor of it while Commissioner Abbott was not in favor of it.

It was agreed that we would contact someone to come speak to us at the next meeting who could provide more information.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Commissioner Stigers and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.



Deborah Columbia, City Clerk



J. Byron Chapman, Mayor