

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN

The Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Middletown held a special meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Present on the Zoom meeting were:

Mayor J. Byron Chapman
Commissioner Ron Wolf
Commissioner Mark Stigers
Commissioner Paul Zimmerman
Commissioner Amy Oliver
City Attorney John Singler
City Clerk Deborah Columbia
Director of Operations, Marty Stansbury
MPD Chief Rob Herman
Treasurer Tracy Dohn

Call to Order

Mayor Chapman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Silent reading of minutes from Special Meeting of 5/14/20 & Special Meeting of 5/28/20

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of 5/14/20 and Commissioner Stigers seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Commissioner Stigers made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of 5/28/20 and Commissioner Oliver seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Silent reading of Treasurer's report for May 2020

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve the treasurers report for May and Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Middletown Cemetery 4A

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

Cemetery 4B

None.

Middletown Police Update, Chief Herman

Chief Herman provided an update for May. He is trying to keep the staff safe and prepared. We had some peaceful protesters on Shelbyville Rd. and Urton Lane Sunday, 6-7. He and the mayor met with them and it was a very pleasant conversation.

Commissioner Oliver asked about mental health resources - could we have something available or posted on the website? Chief Herman advised that they carry this material with them, and his officers are trained.

St. Patrick Bond Discussion - Mike Herrington, Stites & Haribson

Attorney Singler stated Saint Patrick's is requesting the city serve as the issuer for the St. Patrick's School Foundation bond. The city has sponsored other entities in the past and this bond will result in no debt to the city and any default would be against the school only.

Mike Herrington: the funds will be used for improvements and expansion of the school.

Commissioner Wolf asked about the statement "for the most part" the funds will be used for... Attorney Herrington advised that other funds could be used attorney fees or other expenses.

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to allow St. Patrick's to move forward with their request. Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ordinance 05-14-20-A Setting the Tax Rate, Second Reading

Attorney Singler read by summary the ordinance and advised this is the same rate as last year - .135 per \$100 and it is ready for action.

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to approve Ordinance 05-14-20-A and Commissioner Oliver seconded the motion. Motion carries.

This is a call vote. All voted yes.

Ordinance 05-28-20-A Amending the Budget, Second Reading

Attorney Singler recapped the ordinance and stated this is the second reading and it is ready for action.

Commissioner Stigers made a motion to approve Ordinance 05-28-20-A and Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carries.

This is a call vote. All voted yes.

Motion to open public hearing for Road Fund

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to open the public hearing for the Road Fund and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Public Hearing for Road Fund pursuant to KRS 174.100

Attorney Singler reviewed the road fund budget.

Comments from the floor on Public Hearing

Mayor Chapman asked for comments and there were none.

Motion to Close Public Hearing

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to close the public hearing and Commissioner Oliver seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ordinance 05-28-20-B, Enacting a Budget, second reading

Attorney Singler recapped the ordinance and advised this is the second reading and it is ready for action.

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve Ordinance 05-28-20-B and Commissioner Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carries.

This is a call vote. All voted yes.

Ordinance 06-11-20-A Amending Chapter 92 Relating to Nuisances, First Reading

Attorney Singler advised that when we last updated this chapter, we did not have a Code Enforcement Board. Now that we have a board, we need to revise some language in this chapter to make it clear we have this board and a code enforcement officer.

Commissioner Stigers made a motion to consider this the first reading of Ordinance 06-11-20-A and commissioner Oliver seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Municipal Order 06-11-20-A Professional Services Contract, Middletown Cemetery

Mayor Chapman advised the current contract expires the end of June and Ralph Lax has agreed to the same amounts and a month to month contract.

Commissioner Oliver made a motion to approve Municipal Order 06-11-20-A and Commissioner Stigers seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Cathie Tucker asked about the stone that needs to be repaired and the care of the cemetery. Mr. Lax takes care of the cemetery and he will also repair the stone.

Attorneys Report

Attorney Singler advised he is working on changes to Chapter 91 of the Code of Ordinances regarding connecting to roadways and it will be on the July agenda.

Project Updates

Director of Operations, Marty Stansbury, spoke regarding the sidewalk on Kratz. It is moving well and is about 40% complete. Also, the maintenance building is close to completion - MSD will be finished hopefully Monday and LG&E later in the week.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Commissioner Stigers and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


Deborah Columbia, City Clerk


J. Byron Chapman, Mayor