

***BURGESS AND COMMISSIONERS  
OF MIDDLETOWN MARYLAND***

**TOWN MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**July 8, 2013**

The first monthly meeting of the Burgess and Commissioners of Middletown was called to order on July 8, 2013, by Burgess John D. Miller at 7:00 p.m. in the Middletown Municipal Center, 31 W. Main Street, Middletown, Maryland. Present were: Burgess Miller, Commissioners Jennifer Falcinelli, Larry Bussard, Richard Dietrick, Tony Ventre and Christopher Goodman.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*Town Minutes* – June 6, 2013 Public Hearing

*Town Minutes* – June 10, 2013 Town Meeting

Commissioner Bussard motioned to accept this consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Dietrick and passed unanimously.

**PERSONAL REQUEST FOR AGENDA:**

***Cooper Fisher***, Marbles champion. Burgess Miller introduced Cooper and a few of his team mates. Burgess Miller presented Cooper with a certificate congratulating him on being crowned king of the National Marbles Tournament.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

***Middletown Farmers Market Sign*** – Burgess Miller stated that the signs will be 1 sided only, the Farmers market will contribute \$360 and Main Street Middletown will contribute \$200-\$350 adding their logo, therefore the signs are paid for. Drew stated that the location of the signs will be along the Middletown Parkway near Holter Road and along Franklin Street by the primary school. Drew stated that the Town staff will put the signs up and also will change the small sign at the bottom.

Motion by Falcinelli to accept the locations of the signs, seconded by Bussard. Motion carried.

***Discussion of Water Allocation for Active Adult*** – The water & sewer committee does not object to using 200 gal. per day for active adult only. Drew provided some statics that show we are well below the average for both Active Adult and residential properties. Burgess Miller stated that if we lower the usage for active adult we will gain more taps, which could help us with the Hailey Development. Drew stated that this would all have to be resubmitted to MDE for their approval. There was some discussion that since the statics shows that the active adult units currently use less than 150 gal. per day that we

could possibly reduce the active adult units to 150 gal. per day. It was recommended that this go back to the Water & Sewer committee for their review now that Drew has prepared the static data.

**AT&T Cellular Lease Amendment** – Drew stated that he has the lease amendment in hand giving the Town \$600 more a month.

Motion by Bussard to accept the AT&T lease amendment giving us \$600 more a month, seconded by Falcinelli. Motion carried.

**5K/10K Race** – John with Atlantic Edge was present. He stated that they plan to hold their 5K/10K race here in Middletown on November 2, 2013. This is a profit organization and what they plan to do is give a certain percentage amount of the proceeds to the Fire Dept. Burgess Miller stated that we've never had a profit organization want to do something like this before. The Commissioners directed staff to see what other municipalities do in this type of situation and also have Atlantic Edge contact the Fire Department to see if they would be on board with this event.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES – postponed to July 22 meeting**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Hailey Development – Additional Water Capacity Discussions** – Burgess Miller stated that this interjects with our previous discussion in regards to water taps. Right now there is only enough taps for phase 1 of this project which is 35 and 81 total needed. Hailey Development wishes to start the pursuit of the additional water needed. Commissioner Falcinelli stated that there is no money budgeted to drill more wells and perform the draw down tests required. Hailey Development is aware of this and that would be something that would have to be worked about between Hailey & the Town. Drew stated that the next area we would look for water would be the Harris property just on the outside of Town west of Brookridge South. Drew stated that in previous years the Harris' were open to being annexed into Town and acquiring the water rights for this property as most of this property is in the floodplain. Staff was directed to enter into discussions with Hailey and come back to the Town Board with a draft public works agreement.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Joe Rosin, 104 Prospect Street and Dawn Riset** - representing St. Thomas Moore were present tonight looking for some assistance on getting the sale of the property approved through the State. Ms. Riset stated that currently St. Thomas Moore pays rent on this property at a much higher rate than what their mortgage payment will be once they have acquired the building and because of this their funds have decreased significantly and they cannot afford to continue to do so. Burgess Miller recommended that they speak to the Superintendent of Schools first. Burgess Miller said that the Commissioner will support any action and he would write letters to the Board of Education.

**Susan Krauss, 104 Locust Court** – stated that there is a lack of communication with her and the Town. Ms. Krauss stated that she has contacted the Town by letter and phone a few times and it has taken quite some time for her to get a response back from the Town in regards to her water problem. Ms. Krauss stated that she cannot do white clothes as they come out dirty from the dirty water. Ms. Krauss is wanting some answers, she is aware that Plan A is not going to happen as her neighbor is not willing to give the Town the easement necessary to do so, so she is wanting to know what plan B is? The Board agreed to explore getting the easement possibly from Mr. Grim and they also agreed to allow Ms. Krauss to change her water filters out every 2 months versus every 3 as previously noted.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

"Taste of the Town" – Saturday, July 20, 2013

**MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH**

<i>Planning Commission Workshop</i>	<i>Wednesday, July 10, 2013</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Water &amp; Sewer Committee</i>	<i>Wednesday, July 17, 2013</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Planning Commission</i>	<i>Monday, July 15, 2013</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Parks &amp; Recreation</i>	<i>Tuesday, July 16, 2013</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Town Board Meeting</i>	<i>Monday, July 22, 2013</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Main Street Board</i>	<i>Thursday, July 25, 2013</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Griffin  
Office Manager