

# *BURGESS AND COMMISSIONERS OF MIDDLETOWN MARYLAND*

## TOWN MEETING MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING

May 9, 2016

The first monthly meeting of the Burgess and Commissioners of Middletown was called to order on May 9, 2016, by Burgess Miller at 7:00 p.m. in the Middletown Municipal Center, 31 W. Main Street, Middletown, Maryland. Present were: Commissioners Larry Bussard, Jennifer Falcinelli, Rick Dietrick, Tom Catania and Christopher Goodman.

### CONSENT AGENDA

#### *Financial Statements*

#### *Flower Planting along Walking Trails – Cone Branch & Wiles Branch*

#### *Town Minutes – April 25<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting*

Commissioner Dietrick motioned to accept this consent agenda as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Falcinelli and passed unanimously.

### Personal Requests for Agenda:

**Abby Bolcik, Middletown Middle School Student Government – Fundraising for a bench to be placed along Wiles Branch Walking Trail** – Abby showed a power point presentation to the Burgess & Commissioners with her idea of placing a bench along the Wiles Branch Walking Trail. The Board was very receptive of the idea and gave her the blessing to fund raise to do so. Burgess Miller stated that the Town Staff will provide the concrete pad for the bench.

### Unfinished Business:

**Review of Cross Stone Commons Revised Connection Fee Agreement** - Drew stated that the revised agreement has new language per the Boards discussion last month. The new language states that “the connection fee per EDU which is in effect in the Town at the time of issuance (prevailing rate)”. Commissioner Falcinelli stated that the Exhibit states \$20,000 and so there is no confusion she would like to have that changed to the prevailing rate. Consensus of the Board to send back to the Town Attorney to finalize and forward onto the developer.

**Budget Workshop** – The Board went over the General operating, General CIP, Water/Sewer operating and Water/Sewer CIP. It was the consensus of the Board to advertise for a 3% water/sewer rate increase and advertise all the budgets as presented. The public hearing will be held on May 23, 2016 at 7pm.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES –

**WATER & SEWER** – Commissioner Falcinelli reported:

Spring Flow – 128,000, water used April 2016 – 277,000, East WWTP treated 186,000 gal., and the WWTP treated 132,000 gal.

Sold 20 rain barrels.

**PUBLIC WORKS** – Commissioner Bussard reported:

Our guys have been busy replacing the partitions at the Memorial Park bathrooms and mowing grass. Green Street project is underway.

**PLANNING COMMISSION** – Commissioner Catania reported:

Zoning Ordinance review has been completed the new language will be forthcoming to the Town Board for approval.

Signs around the football field at the High School a few were shown facing out and they need to be facing into the field. Ron Forrester has sent a letter to the school advising them of this.

**PARKS and RECREATION** – Commissioner Goodman reported:

POS priority list: Memorial Park Phase 2, Remsberg Park bathrooms and Benches at Cone Branch Park.

New meeting time is now the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

**FINANCE** – Commissioner Dietrick reported:

Working on 2017 Budget.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION** – Commissioner Falcinelli reported:

Asked that we send out the information regarding the Dog Park.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Richland Golf Club Summer Outdoor Music request** – This request is the same as it has been for that last few years. Live Music will be allowed on the deck beginning Friday, May 27 thru Friday, September 30, 2016. The house will be from 7pm.-10pm. The music has to adhere to the 65 decibel stipulation.

Motion by Commissioner Bussard to approve the request, seconded by Commissioner Goodman. Motion carried 6-0.

**Community Service Time – Policy for Employees** – Burgess Miller stated that he has discussed this with the staff at the staff meetings and this would allow any employee to volunteer at different organizations or at school events and get paid for doing so. Burgess Miller asked that the Commissioners review and will approve at next month's meeting.

**Appointment to the Board of Appeals** – Chairman Rudy is up for re-appointment and has asked to be re-appointed.

Motion by Commissioner Falcinelli to re-appoint Fred Rudy to the Board of Appeals for a 3 year term, seconded by Commissioner Goodman. Motion carried 6-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: none**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Griffin  
Office Manager