

# *BURGESS AND COMMISSIONERS OF MIDDLETOWN MARYLAND*

## TOWN MEETING MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING

March 27, 2017

The second monthly meeting of the Burgess and Commissioners of Middletown was called to order on March 27, 2017, 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

*Minutes – March 2, 2017-Workshop and March 13, 2017 Town Meeting.*

Commissioner Catania motioned to accept this consent agenda as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Bussard and passed unanimously.

### Personal Requests for Agenda:

#### Unfinished Business:

**Public Meeting - Discussion of Addition or Deletion of Fluoride Treatment** – Commissioner Falcinelli reported that the Water & Sewer Committee met last week and because the Committee felt that due to the many complexities associated with the fluoride injection this should be a Town Board decision. Commissioner Falcinelli stated that the Town's Engineer is recommending that we do not inject fluoride into our system due to operational issues regarding calcium buildup in waterlines as the current treatment plants. Drew stated that the Town Board and staff do not disagree with the fluoride benefits but, it is more of a financial, maintenance and now operational issue. Drew showed the Board and those present in the audience a piece of the pipe that Town staff removed from the reservoir that currently has fluoride injected. The pipe is almost completely clogged from the buildup over the years.

Lewis Corl, 110 Linden Blvd. – stated that with this being a health issue he would think that the cost would be minimized.

Dr. Andrea Kaleta, 10 Jessorong Drive – asked how other municipalities are able to provide fluoride with no issues? Drew explained that our water mainly comes from wells and described that our treatment process is very different than most. Dr. Kaleta stated that she sees both sides here, she would like for fluoride to be added but, she also understands the financial aspect of it as well.

Burgess Miller stated that we will continue to have this discussion at the next few meetings and then the Town Board will make their decision on to add or not to add fluoride to the system at the May 8, 2017 meeting.

**Annual POS Program Requests – Frederick County** – Commissioner Goodman stated that the Parks Committee met last week to discuss projects they would like to put in for grant money with Frederick County. 1. Remsberg Park bathrooms - \$40,000, 2. Wiles Branch Park – picnic tables, grilles, bike rack - \$5,443 and 3. Shrubs at Remsberg Park (to shield solar array) - \$7,500.

**Discussion of Peddling Ordinance** – Burgess Miller stated that this has been discussed previously. Burgess Miller presented a draft ordinance for the Board to review.

**Review of FY 2016 Audit** – Drew went over the FY16 audit with the Board.

**Discussion of Wireless Telecommunications Siting Ordinance** – Cindy presented some draft language for the Board to review on wireless telecommunication siting.

**Memar Annexation – Discussion and scheduling of future workshops** – Drew stated that Farhad is looking for a meeting date to meet with the Town Board to discuss the annexation agreement. Burgess Miller stated that this item will continue to be on the future agendas of the Town Board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Request from T-Mobile for Amendment to Cellular Lease Agreement** – Drew stated that at the last meeting the Board agreed to counter offer with T-Mobile to keep the monthly payment the same (\$2,150) and 2% increase yearly. Drew reported that he received notification today at 3:30pm. that T-Mobile accepted our offer.

Motion by Commissioner Falcinelli to accept the offer, seconded by Commissioner Bussard. Motion carried 6-0.

**Planning Commission Annual Report** – Cindy stated that the Planning Commission adopted the 2016 Annual Report on March 20, 2017. Cindy reviewed the annual report with the Board.

**Recommendation to stripe Smithfield and Layla Drive** – Commissioner Bussard stated that Smithfield and Layla Drive are designed to be collector streets, therefore staff feels that it is in the best interest to stripe these Streets. This would be done in conjunction when the striping of West Green Street is done. It was the consensus of the Board to stripe Smithfield and Layla.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- *250<sup>th</sup> Town Talk (Transportation History) – Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 6:30pm. at the Municipal Center*
- *Sustainability Committee Openings*

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Griffin  
Office Manager