



**Common Council
Meeting
City of Middletown
March 19, 2019**

1. Pledge of Allegiance- Pres. Rodrigues asked all to rise for the pledge.

Pres. Rodrigues asked to remain standing for a moment of silence on the passing of former Lt. Chet Rogers

2. Roll Call: Present: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

3. Approval of Minutes
John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.

4. Correspondence

Ags & Markets Humane Society of Port Jervis inspection-Received & Filed

Letter High Rose Ridge Homeowners Assoc. traffic issues-Legislation

2 letters New Beginnings Church on Mulberry St. Community Outreach-DPW

2nd request for a motorcycle fund ride for Outreach-DPW

5. For the Good of the City

Presentation from Kellyann Kostyal-Larrier-Safe Homes of OC

Chief Ewanciw- This evening we have with us a representative from Safe Homes of OC Kellyann. Middletown Police Dept. partnered with Kellyann with Safe Homes just over a year ago to do some additional outreach into the community for victims of domestic violence. Kellyann will discuss a little bit about the program. I know the

Mayor touched upon it especially what we had occurred earlier this year with the 2 homicides that were related to domestic violence.

Kellyann-Safe Homes

Spoke about Safe Homes that provide direct services to victims and their children that are survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking.

Ald. Johnson-Is there seasonal variations of incidents of calls?

Kellyann-No I think there are misconceptions about what people think. There definitely are peaks and valleys in the sense of when kids are getting out of school or back into school. Or possibly when people have the ability to make ...choices it is sometime difficult if kids are home.

Ald. Johnson-The grant that you are applying for how much is it for? What agency is ...provided.

Kellyann-Both funds are federal funds under of Office of Victim Services and the Office of Victim Services currently fund our organization but this is a competitive RFP and because this program is currently is funded by what is called stock money...which is federal money, that money is going to run out and so we are going to attempt to write this program into the next calendar year full time for the Middletown dept. Port Jervis actually launched first but they still don't have space; as I said to you the Chief had space before we even left the building to be honest with you. It is my believe it takes a couple of years and some of it can't be measured because it is about building relationships it has been my experience and my career here as well as Dutchess County that it takes several years to build trust.

Ald. Masi- When I was a probation officer in OC I can tell you the most difficult cases were domestic violence. At that time obviously we didn't have the resources that we have now and I thank you for getting involved. I thank the Chief and the dept. for welcoming you along with the Mayor and hopefully this will go a long way and resolve some of the problems.

Police Chief Ewanciw-This evening we would like to conduct pinning ceremony for some recent promotions within the Police Dept.

(Attached to minutes)

Darrin Cross-I am with the Middletown Little League. Here to update you on the League this year. As most of you know its been a tough ball season for us; we lost a past board member to a tragic car accident her name was Jennifer Parisella. She was a very active parent and she will be missed by everybody in the baseball and softball community. In her memory all Little Leaguers will wear her name on their sleeve this year. A few months later we lost our beloved Lena Citrini. She passed away 6

wks. ago, she is the mother of Roseanne Citrini our president of our league. She was the heart and soul of the concession stand, always reminding us that we were here for the children. In her honor we are renaming the concession stand Lena Café.

Our numbers this year are close to the same as last year. I have been working with the City and School District in putting our online registration on their home page. Hoping more parents will think of baseball and softball in the off season.

I would like to give a thanks to the City of Middletown's Mayor's Office and City Hall for always supporting the Little League. I would also like to thank the Police Dept. and the Fire Dept. for their continued support. I met with the Police Chief the other day and had a great conversation and we would love to do another pop up bar-b-que which we discussed.

That brings me to talk about the park. Last year was our best fund raising year ever. We were able to donate money to the Parks Dept. for some of the changes on our wish list and this is coming true.

Thanks to our players and families they did an amazing job fundraising last year. I think everyone is going to be happy with some of the things we are changing and adding to the park. Our sponsors this year almost everyone had returned and even added a few. We added Steve Dodd Plumbing & Heating, R Williams Lawn Care and Middletown Lions came forth. Thank you we are excited to have them on board.

I have a couple more thank you. This year we were selected by the Waalkill Engine #6 as the recipient of their annual St. Paddy's Day fundraiser. We have some ideas that we want to do with the money that we are going to receive; possibly another scoreboard and more improvements to the park. Also thank you to the Elks Lodge. The Elks Lodge really stepped up last year and helped us do our Tricky Tray and became so successful.

In closing I would like to thank Chris Brinkerhoff and her entire staff; John Bianchi and his entire staff. We hands down have the best parks dept. in the area.

Thank you for letting me share Opening Day Parade is April 7th, lineup at 10:30 at Presidential if mother nature cooperates.

The other day I did have the honor speaking with Miguel for a few minutes about things that we can do. So I am here asking for help. Our numbers are down just a little bit not much; but we are not having the early registrations and Miguel and I talked about it. It doesn't matter if they are playing football, baseball, lacrosse whatever they are doing we are open for ideas. I met with the Parks Commission the other day and I think Mr. Burr talked about reaching out to Dana Distributors, possibly putting signs with Arizona Ice Tea, Snapple Ice Tea sign up with your local youth sports. So if anyone has any ideas we are open to suggestions.

Woman spoke-I have a little issue in our neighborhood. We have a sinkhole across the street I live on Grant St. it has been slowly enlarging itself, I also think there are more issues are happening in front of my house. My sidewalk is level with the road now and I notice that half of the snow the water seepage is going down amongst where the water turn off is and the gas shutoff is. There seems to be cracks opening at the end of my driveway, not very big. If you put something on it; it is going to temporarily solve the issue but I believe something is going on underneath.

Pres. Rodrigues-Is that where they were doing the construction?

Woman- No, no this sinkhole started in 2016 it was very small, now it is enlarged it is by Draper Brook actually it is a cave in. It was very small in the beginning now it is enlarged about 12-15 ft. in length and maybe 5-6 ft. in width. I don't know if it is in conjunction with maybe the brook more caving's starting to happening or weakening's. As I said there is an issue with my side of the street now and I know it is going to be very costly; but it also runs along the side of my house. I don't know what is under there because the house is extremely old it is over 100 yrs. old. It is a little concern for me.

Pres. Rodrigues-We will forward right to the Commissioner of DPW.

6. Remarks of Dept. Heads

Maria Bruni/Economic Director- The office has been working on our Action Plan for our Community Development Block Grant. It is going through the public comment period currently; also our IDA and CDA reports are being finalized and implemented into the system. Of course housing rehab and economic development work continues. We are finalizing the summer concerts and outdoor movies all the great stuff that is going to happen this summer and the Paramount.

Jacob Tawil/DPW Commissioner- DPW has a few items on the agenda tonight.

Public service comment, the snow has melted it is going to be spring and please check your front yard. Pick up the litter.

I want to thank all the aldermen they keep sending me comments and I want to call out the Council Pres. because almost every weekend on a regular basis he sends me a long list to myself and code enforcement officers. It is very helpful to us.

The spring cleanup we have a resolution that you consider for junk week. We are going to start on March 25th. We are going to start with the 1st Ward, 4th Ward April 1st, 3rd Ward will be April 8th and 2nd Ward will be April 15th. That is the time when you put your spring cleanup in the front of the house. It is very important the residents of the City of Middletown please be pro-active if you see somebody coming from outside the city to deposit junk in front of anyone yard please call the police immediately. That costs us a lot of money.

Water flushing is scheduled for April 8th. We do annually every year, please check our website. Check your water before your wash to make sure that it is cleared up. At least 24 hrs. after the flushing.

Wednesday night we are going to do water system maintenance. Basically we are going to be replacing an old valve on Highland Ave. We sent a message out through Nixel, anybody not registered please register.

Reminder about water meters, we installed new meters that are capable to send electronic signals all the time. Please go on our website and register your account. That way you can see your water consumption, any leaks.

Before you tonight one of the complicated resolutions is an amendment to contract with CDM Smith. That is basically for the screw pumps for the City of Middletown Waste Water Treatment Plant. The Council and the Mayor allocated \$3million for that project we thank them and very much needed. In the meantime we applied for a grant from EFC, EFC after appropriating \$3million as a capital project; EFC gave us \$750,000 as a grant. The remainder of the project which is up to \$3million will be zero interest loan which is great. As such CDM Smith they have to modify their contract to include the requirement which EFC which is WBE and BE requirements and other requirements that they have to comply with and suppliers as well. We had to incorporate all their provisions with EFC.

Another resolution before you is \$26,000 for TAM Enterprises for sanitary overflows and manhole overflows. We have been continuously trying to minimize this problem, so the reception on the interceptor on the main trunk sewer line that is behind Campbell Plaza that is going to be replaced. It is full of roots and the pipe has been compromised so TAM Enterprises will come in and bypass the flow from around certain section.

Pres. Rodrigues-Going back to cleanup. Electronics cannot be out.

Commissioner Tawil-Electronics no that...

Pres. Rodrigues-Tv's cannot be outside on the curbs. If they are out right them up.

Commissioner Tawil-Understood. You may wish to do a special electronic pick up every year.

Pres. Rodrigues-I think we should do that now, drop off at DPW or...

Commissioner Tawil-Ok right now we have everybody... may be right after we are done. We will be happy to do it. After we are done with the spring cleanup.

Pres. Rodrigues- Maple Hill Park if you look from California Ave. you have a field tank, machinery and at Maple Hill Park it is still dirt and not put together. What is the timeframe?

Commissioner Tawil-The reason behind it as we discussed in the past, requirement to dredge the pond that was not part of the original contract. The cost of dredging it, using special equipment that the Army Corp. of Engineers would approve using without having to go through a lengthy process of getting permission from them for the small pond. There is a clamshell type in old technology that we can use; \$220,000 they want to dredge 3 ft. deep of that pond at Maple Hill. We applied for the grant, we applied to HUD to give us the money, they approved it. Right now we are finalizing it. Once we sign the change order with the contractor then he is going to go full blast to do it. This was not part of the project otherwise the project could have ...cleaned up. You are going to have machines running all around it, so there was no sense in digging it up all over again.

Pres. Rodrigues- How long does it take to dredge it?

Commissioner Tawil-I think it is like 2 weeks, 2 weeks is just the process of getting it. We have been going back and forth with HUD and Orange County Community Development, we did an extension of the contract now we have to wait until the contractor signs the change order then they are ready to proceed.

Pres. Rodrigues-No ...getting rid of the fuel tank and that area that is cleared.

Commissioner Tawil-If it is not needed. I think he is going to come in, he needs it for his equipment unfortunately.

Pres. Rodrigues-On California Ave.?

Commissioner Tawil- No that is another project. We are talking about Maple Hill. The other project is West Main and Monhagen brook that is the 2nd project. That project is not completed he started work again. He resumed his work, he shut down for the winter I apologize I confused the two and he said he is starting now. He should be working right now, I haven't been up there but the work should have resumed. Hopefully within a few weeks.

Ald. Ramkissoon-Only because this came up and the date is approaching April 1st is the day you are going to start taking yard waste again. Clarify yard waste is in cans for the summer.

Commissioner Tawil- We are going to start collecting the yard waste. It has to be inside the can otherwise you can bundle the branches in 18 in. diameter. It is all on our website and then they cannot be more than 36 inches long. That is the code.

Cannot put leaves in the street, you will be fined.

Pres. Rodrigues-That comes from the neighbors up on Monhagen Ave. The leaves blowing from the Psych. Center across Monhagen Ave. and landing on their house all year long.

I think we should put in committee to look at doing something to stop- some kind of barrier.

Ald. Kleiner- There use to be a wall up on Monhagen Ave. it is removed. Asked the Commissioner when bulk pick up when that would start and we know it is early this year, can we please advertise it as much as possible. May be in the Record, particularly on the website. Can we remove all the roundabout stuff now so you have a clean page? Asked John maybe we could have bulk pick up week as the first item on the home page on the website. Roundabout information you could have a link to it. Want to make it as easy as possible.

Commissioner Tawil-Understood. The minute you approve it, obviously we cannot be presumptuous. Once approved then it is there.

Ald. Tobin- Asked Commissioner Tawil, NY Rising and Grant St., cornerstone ...is there an estimated time or is NY Rising working slower. This summer/this year/ next year.

Commissioner Tawil-I don't have an answer to be honest. The whole project if I remember correctly we are working on it as fast as the State and the project consultants.

Ald. Tobin- The bridge and the rest of the money is going towards the other improvements.

Commissioner Tawil-Yes. The bridge on West Main St. Grant St. the minute you called me about it we send immediately people over there to clean up and cover the opening with a steel plate. The same day we got the referral. It is NY Rising project and we going to go there tomorrow again to check because the first time I hear there is something around the house. We will go take a look.

Ald. Tobin- the whole stream underneath the city ...cover it up.

Commissioner Tawil-Natural stream. Amazing how strong these things are when we did Washington and Houston. The thickness concrete 2ft. thick top slab on the culvert; not where it goes by Grant St.

Ald. Tobin-Do we an answer for her, she is more concerned about her house.

Commissioner Tawil-We are going to go tomorrow to take a look. First time I hear about the house, we will take a look. We will try to walk through it and see what is going on.

Ald. Green-Potholes it comes up quite a bit. We have people going around doing that. If someone sees something should they contact DPW - Office?

Commissioner Tawil- Yes please. Contact them, if you don't any response by all means give me a call or give you a call. Unfortunately the black top the hot stuff is not available yet, the plants aren't open. We use cold patch. We go to New Jersey we do one truck load.

Right now we are focusing on spring cleanup.

Ald. Jean-Francois-Over the weekend I had the opportunity to spend some time with Code Enforcer Ramkissoon just to see what they do on a daily basis. I have to tell you these gentlemen are doing a wonderful job for our community. I just thank you for a job well done.

Commissioner Tawil-Thank you very much I will let them know.

Police Chief Ewanciw-Thank you for allowing me to honor my recent promotions this evening. It is a great honor.

First to comment on Kellyann is very passionate about her goal, very educated and committed to the program. We signed on as soon as we sat down with her and her staff last year. Realizing it is a benefit to our residents. She briefly touched upon and Mr. Masi domestic violence is a very volatile situation. Emotions are involved, people are very worked up ... One of the great things we are seeing in our follow ups when we do approach with the advocate from Safe Homes in a softer manner out of our uniform, trust is being built, relationships are being built. We are actually getting enough trust that the victims of domestic violence are following up, are reporting additional situations and opportunity to work with Safe Homes to provide additional resources to help them to be more safe. It is going to be great partnering with Safe Homes is quite often there is a lot of programs that are pushed through the Police Dept. that don't have any resources. As you heard Kellyann state she comes along with resources; her programs involve staff who works with inside our building and funding. When we do send members of our organization out to the community with her staff it is funded by their grant money which is very nice resource to have. We have to assume some of the cost but it is nice to have some money come back. She definitely puts a lot of effort in obtaining grants and working in creating partnerships. It has been a great partnership with her.

Situation on Monday, March 11th at 23 Knapp Ave. It is very unfortunate situation. I cannot give you many details at this point, it is an active investigation. But I can assure you and the public that Detectives of the Middletown Police Dept. worked tirelessly especially the first 2-4 days it was almost around the clock. Following up on leads, tracking down leads, tracking down people, continuing the work there is not a moment that goes on that one of them is not working on it or thinking about it. I do ask the public or anybody in the community if you have any information; please,

please forward that to us. You can do anonymously through the Nixel application, we will not know who you are. Whatever information is provided to us will remain confidential and may be the missing piece of the puzzle that we may need.

Additionally this Thursday, March 21st we partnered with Parks & Rec. withOC to host training for parents of teenagers or preteens. The training is called Hidden Mischief. It is a very interactive training environment in which the representatives fromset up a mock teenager's bedroom with a tremendous amount of paraphernalia that we see with our teens. As an educational component where there is a discussion from the representatives you actually get sent in as parents into this mock bedroom to observe it. You get a note card and you are suppose to write down the items that you see that you believe are indicative of poor behaviors or possible behaviors that may lead to trouble. Afterwards all the things that you observed and tremendous amount of other things are actually broken down and explained to you. It is very eye opening. I along with my wife attended the training about 2 yrs. ago. I went in support of my wife she wanted me to go I have teenage sons and I actually walked away learning quite a bit. I was very, very impressed. It is a great opportunity, it free of charge, it is at the Parks & Rec. Center this Thursday, the 21st. It starts at 6pm. It is not so much for the children, it is more of an educational program for the parents so that we can monitor what our children are doing. It is also about some of the stuff with social media and some apps and some paraphernalia whether it be clothing or types of medications.

Currently right now so you are aware I don't have a lot of details on this we are out on Cottage St. with a possible, it is a barricaded subject at this point.

John Naumchik/City Clerk- We started the municipal id program last week with a rousing applause and a lot of people. We issued over 160 ids so far. More coming. I would like to thank Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson for the translation the 2 people they sent to help. Very helpful, they helped a lot. I also want to thank the 2 people in my office Karen and Lori for the great job that they are doing. Very resourceful and very rewarding. Thank you very much.

Ald. Tobin-2 day timeframe.

John Naumchik-Yes. Right now it is Wednesday and Thursday from 9-3. Applications are on our website.

7. Public Hearings & Grievances
John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.
8. Petitions & Complaints
John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.
9. Remarks of the Mayor
Mayor DeStefano is not here this evening.

10. Remarks of the Aldermen

Ald. Burr-Congratulate our officers for their promotions. Well-deserved and hardworking officers all the time.

Bulk pick up week/Jacob- you are allowed to put it out on Sunday night, correct?

Commissioner Tawil-Yes.

Ald. Burr- We are first if you can put it out on Sunday because we don't want to keep coming back, because they aren't coming back. As Jacob said we are first in the 1st Ward this year and then they have to go through the other three wards.

Ald. Jean-Francois- Congratulate all the officers that received their promotion this evening job well done.

Ald. Kleiner-I want to add to that and congratulate the officers on having really worked with all of them. Excellent candidates for promotions. Congratulations.

Thank Kellyann from Safe Homes and Chief Ewanciw and the Mayor for immediately it hasn't always been the case but this time for immediately opening up and working with them and realizing what a valuable organization they are. I certainly hope it is going to help; as we all know domestic disputes it can be on the nastiest snowy coldest night and you always have domestic it is one of the toughest.

Congratulate Cornerstone/the \$7.5 million to improve what was formerly the Middletown Health Center facilities on Benton Ave. that is another great thing for the city, much appreciated.

The id cards thank you John, Lori & Karen they were besides everything else they do they did an amazing job. Always bumps and hiccups along the way and then all of a sudden this isn't working and they just plowed ahead. Thanked the people who helped them with the translation it certainly made it easier and again I encourage anyone to please come and help.

I have my card it is very nice, great cards. We are hoping it will make it useful in a lot of ways. Also make an appeal because I don't think I will be able to be there on Thursday, make an appeal to the school board and school system to get on board with the id and to accept it for parents who need to attend school events. I know Miguel is going to be working with the hospital where they will also accept it as identification. It is very important, our Police Dept. is already committed to accepting it. We have high hopes for it.

The Warming Station the capacity is 30, this last week several times they had 35-36 people. They are doing with what they can, working with Code Blue, working with

HONOR, working with the police they have been very helpful. I thank them and all the volunteers because the need there is obvious and again with Safe Homes when you have an advocate follow up you have an advocate who is able to follow through and work with people. It is so important and we really need at some point we need daytime operation if we could get some funding for the Salvation Army to do that. Because you really can't help people at the Warming Station; it is just cement walls, it is a meal, go to sleep. You can't really socialize, you can't talk to people in the system, you can't find out where you can get help and how you can get out of that situation. So I am hoping like the Port Jervis Empowerment Center at some point will have a place where people can go in the day time and will have a bunch of agencies to get the help they need.

Tomorrow is spring, I hope the weather agrees pretty soon. Happy spring.

Ald. Ramkissoon- Congratulate our officers as well. New Sargent our 2 new detectives. I have had the pleasure of working with Det. Bailey for at least 8 yrs. now a real asset to our Police Dept. Congratulate the officers and their families.

For Safe Homes their work here will be valuable to the community, to the people who otherwise might not know how to get out a situation that is terrifying.

Tonight I just want to quickly shout to DPW and our Commissioner.

Ald. Johnson- Yes I was very impressed with the Safe Homes presentation. As she said collaborations sometimes is a stumbling block. I want to thank the Chief for putting our best foot forward and putting up the welcome mat.

I did speak to a resident on West Main they were working in his back yard today that was good news.

The leaves on Monhagen ...conversation. There was a wall ...snow fence which is not esthetic but I did serve the purpose. Whether we can do the more permanent solution remains to be seen.

I had an opportunity to meet with Maria on another matter and I got a quick tour of downtown the sidewalk program is moving along great there are more applications in the pipeline. It's a beautiful thing. I did a quick walk through with Maria of the Woolworth building painfully slow by my standards but otherwiseperhaps by July 1st business will be ready for action.

I did walk the Tompkins building which is astounding. Should be up and running by July 1st.

I did want to give a brief update, as you know we have the Dump/Strays which is the feral cat program. We funded last year I think it was our 2nd year; I work with Robyn Stewart she processed 203 cats. I did 16 of them through the City of Middletown. I

did 23 for the good of the city, TARA did 93, she did 87 from the surrounding area. I believe we allocate \$2500 to her and she gets \$25 a cat and she did 116 cats.

Ald. Green-Congratulate our officers, we really do have a phenomenal Police Dept. we wish them well, safety.

With Safe Homes coming in domestic disputes are very dangerous, to have this new form of outreach it is just a wonderful program.

With a Police dept. that is so focused on community policing it is such a valuable asset. Especially in our day and age.

With the city id program I was fortunate enough, I spent about an hour, hour and half in the Clerk's Office watched card number 1 go through and watched countless numbers go through after that at such an amazing rate and pace. Congratulations.

If anyone ever doubted why we should have this card program if you could see the faces and what this means to the people who are getting this, it is certainly eye opening. It made even more real to be in that office and see what this mean to people. So I am really glad.

Spring cleaning is a big thing. Please take 5-10 minutes out of your weekend and go out in your yard for any waste that is out there. The smallest changes if everyone did them just imagine what we could accomplish.

Ald. Tobin-I also like to congratulate the officers on their promotions. Safe Homes for their presentation. I think it more than such a complicated issue the domestic violence, it is more than putting a posting a phone number, it's making that connection, making the people feel safe and I think that goes hand in hand with what the Chief is doing with the community policing trying to make that connection to the neighborhood. Great initiative.

I was very happy to see the formal announcement of Cornerstone Family Health Center. It is an investment in the community. Supposedly a one stop shop.

Ald. Masi- I too would like to congratulate the officers that were promoted and I want to thank Kellyann for her presentation on Safe Homes.

For those of you who watched the meeting 2 weeks, I want to thank you for all the offers to buy Robert's Rules for me. I just had a brain freeze and I couldn't wrap around it and I do want to thank the Mayor for trying to bail me out. I apologize for that and I do thank all of you for the offers.

11. Unfinished Business

John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.

12. New Business

57.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$12,000.00 within the DPW 2018 budget for TAM Enterprises completed work at the Campbell Plaza.

On motion of Ald. Jean-Francois seconded by Ald. Green

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$12,000.00 within the DPW 2018 budget for TAM Enterprises completed work at the Campbell Plaza for Cleaning, TV and Root Cutting, cleaning lines, bypass pumping, installation of wingnut plug and grouting of downstream of 8” sanitary line to be abandoned in the following manner:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO
G. 8120. 100 Sewer Personal	\$12,000.00	G. 8120.400 Sewer Contractual

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

58.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$26,000.00 from the Sewer Fund Balance for TAM Enterprises for the replacement of 80’ of 30” Sewer line at the right-away-behind Campbell Plaza.

On motion of Ald. Jean-Francois seconded by Ald. Tobin

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$26,000.00 from the Sewer Fund Balance for TAM Enterprises for the replacement of 80’ of 30” sewer line at the right-away behind Campbell Plaza as per the attached memo dated March 4, 2019 in the following manner:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO
Sewer Fund	\$26,000.00	G.8120.400 Sewer Contractual

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

59.19 Resolution authoring the closing of streets for the Middletown Little League Parade on Saturday, April 7, 2019 at 10:00 AM.

On motion of Ald. Burr seconded by Ald. Kleiner

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown authorizes the closing of streets for the Middletown Little League Parade on Saturday, April 7, 2019 at 10:00 AM, lining

up at the Presidential Park Elementary School, walk up Sunset Street, make left onto Watkins and into Watts Park.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

60.19 Resolution to approve the 2019 Clean-Up Week schedule.

On motion of Ald. Jean-Francois seconded by Ald. Green

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby approves the following schedule for the 2019 Annual Spring Clean-Up Week:

CLEAN UP SCHEDULE

First Ward – March 25, 2019

(Set out Sunday evening, March 24, 2019)

Fourth Ward – April 1, 2019

(Set out Sunday evening, March 31, 2019)

Third Ward – April 8, 2019

(Set out Sunday evening, April 7, 2019)

Second Ward –April 15, 2019

(Set out Sunday evening, April 14, 2019)

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

61.19 Resolution to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$16,481.25 from the General Fund Balance to cover expenses for the rest of 2019 with Samsara for GPS licensing services.

On motion of Ald. Masi seconded by Ald. Tobin

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$16,481.75 from the General Fund Balance to cover expenses for the rest of 2019 with Samsara for GPS licensing services for City of Middletown vehicles in the following manner:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO
General Fund	\$16,481.75	A.1490.481 DPW Tele.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

62.19 Resolution to approve a grant for the Land Acquisition for Source Water Protection Project, approve permanent borrowing of 1.5M, establish a capital line in the 2019 budget and authorize to Mayor to sign an agreement with RJ Smith

On motion of Ald. Masi seconded by Ald. Green

WHEREAS; the City of Middletown has been awarded two State grants that Middletown has applied for and received from WQIP Round 15 award for the Middletown “Land Acquisition for Source Water Protection Project. They are \$3.0 million each for the protection of Watersheds. The City will have to match 25% or \$750,000 each. Much of this expense will be for the purchase of land in our water shed. This is a multi-year project covering many parcels and each will be evaluated based on merit and reimbursements from the state. The City will have to lay out 100% and be reimbursed at 75% for each expenditure, and

WHEREAS; temporary borrowing will be used as a funding source to start the project and proceeds from the Grant will be deposited directly into the Capital project to help fund future purchase delaying the City’s requirement to borrow the full \$1.5 million until the project is near completion, and

WHEREAS; the Board of Estimate has recommended the following:

- Approval of the two grants totaling \$6.0 million
- Approval to prepare the permanent borrowing resolution of \$1,500,000 for matching funds
- Approval of the establishment of a capital line in the budget for \$1,500,000
- Authorization for the Mayor to sign documents relating to the project and the grant.
- Authorization to retain R.J. Smith (Commercial Real-estate Broker) to help acquire the many parcels of land to be purchased in this project.

LET IT BE RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to approve the above six points and authorize the Mayor to sign the attached agreement with RJ Smith to represent and assist the City in acquiring future parcels to be determined.

Ald. Kleiner-Revise the agenda didn’t we add the \$750,000?

John Naumchik- Don talked with the bond counselor he said leave that out. He wanted it taken out.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

63.19 Resolution to approve Amendment No. 1 – SRF Bid Incorporation Primary and Secondary Screw Pumps Replacement Project from CDM Smith.

On motion of Ald. Green seconded by Ald. Masi

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to approve the attached Amendment No. 1 – SRF Bid Incorporation Primary and Secondary Screw Pumps Replacement Project from CDM Smith and authorize the Mayor to sign the attached amendment from CDM Smith.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

13. Local Laws

John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.

14. Audit

On motion of Ald. Masi seconded by Ald. Tobin

I move that the accounts be audited the claims be adjusted and the Treasurer be authorized to issue warrants for their payment.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

15. Adjournment

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 9:28 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Sisco