



**Common Council
Meeting
City of Middletown
November 4, 2019**

1. Pledge of Allegiance- Pres. Rodrigues asked all to rise for the pledge.
2. Roll Call: Present: Ald. Ramkissoon, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9
3. Approval of Minutes

On motion of Ald. Jean-Francois seconded by Ald. Masi to accept the minutes from Sept. 17th & Oct. 1st 2019 as submitted.

All in favor

4. Correspondence
John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.
5. For the Good

Susan De Puy-I would like to ask if there is anything that anybody is doing to enhance the signs coming into the City.

Pres. Rodrigues- I know we have a committee and they are working on it.

6. Reports of Dept. Heads

Maria Bruni/Economic Development- We are preparing for the holiday season. Finalizing our tree selection and will be announcing that soon. The tree lighting and the parade November 29th.

Starting to do our marketing for the parade. If you go to the BID website you can see the guidelines and applications.

We have been working thanks to Ald. Johnson who coordinated this with the School District, Middletown Athletic Dept. David Coates and Kevin Gleason regarding the NYS Boys Soccer Final that is coming up and the state football. Looking for a downtown dining guide. We were able to get a dining guide together which is going to be electronic and also they are going to be sending it out to the Coaches and it will be distributed on the field for those weekends.

I want to thank Eileen who really helped put this brochure together and get our website prepared for it.

Commissioner Tawil/DPW- Reminder to the public we started picking up the leaves today. Starting with the 1st Ward, 2nd Ward, 3rd and 4th Ward.

O&R relayed their contractor not O&R they have done a lousy job with the surface restoration on Highland Ave. We have been going back and forth and arguing with the contractor. Finally O&R came through for us they did not like the job themselves and they directed the contractor specialty asphalt contractor to come and mill half of Highland Ave. which they started today and tomorrow paving. This is O&R paying for it, we regret sincerely the inconvenience for the public having to drive through that nasty job. I want to thank O&R for stepping in.

Please be prepared for the snow. One inch or more keep your cars off the road. No parking ordinance that is going to kick in the middle of the month. We are expecting some snow as early as Thursday night, be prepared.

Water level and our raw water supply the last amount of rain last month helped us out significantly to realize our deficit and to recover from it. Our reservoirs right now are over 88% full, 2 of the reservoirs are overflowing even. We are in good shape.

Woolworth building construction the exterior, site work, paving, curbs and sidewalks, landscape all has been completed. The Mayor will report more the next time he is here.

2 more projects out for bid. One of them is the walkway from East Main St. to Orchard St. which will be connected to the back of the Woolworth building. Bid opening is within a couple of weeks for that. We had a pre-construction meeting about 6 contractors there that is moving along very well.

Other project out for bid is the finished water pump station/booster pump at the Water Treatment plant that is advertised and that will be out for bid. Bid opening will be early next month.

Heritage Trail segment 2 from Hartley Rd. to East Main St. or the Switch Inn. Work is being pursued by the contractor and he is working on the difficult part of the Heritage Trail which is the bridges. We are working with Orange County, Orange County is lead agency we are just reviewing the shop drawings, permits and so on and insurances we own that property and we are responsible for those bridges. We are working with OC and that work is progressing very well. Segment 3 we had a walk through, the design has started again OC is the Lead Agency; the Mayor, myself, OC DPW and their consultant and Commissioner of Parks & Recs. we walked the trail and where it is going to be and it seems we will be overcoming any obstacles that we have for Segment 3. The design has started and is moving along.

The DRI parking lot and green infrastructure all the parking lots as you know in the City of Middletown, downtown will be upgraded and redesigned and improved. It will incorporate green infrastructure in there to minimize the impact of storms for the flooding. Hopefully that project will be out for bid by early next month. We have just reviewed the final plans right now.

The other item is the Waste Water Treatment- our sledge disposal expenses went up by over 50% in May of this year so we have a huge chunk of cost of disposing of our sludge. As such the Council, Mayor and Common Council they agreed for us to start studying to find the technology that will increase the solid, percent solid in the sludge from 20% which is what we produce right now up to 80 or 90%. ...myself and Waste Water Treatment Plant operators and our consultant CDM Smith we went to PA. to see the latest drying technology that is available to thicken the sludge. There are a few options that we are looking at, some of them are very impressive; new technologies. Some of them are complicated. We will see which technology will be best for us for our needs in order to cut our holding and tipping fee for the sludge at the WWTP. We are producing methane again and we are using methane to heat the sludge which is required to make the digesters operational.

Conclude with cheers in today's editorial in the Record. I want to compliment and congratulate all you guys the fathers of the city and Mayor for the foresight and allowing us to proceed with this project which is to purchase water shed property in order to protect the water shed (our life line)

Newburgh unfortunately for them their main reservoir feeder got polluted because it has huge development all around it and they cannot protect it. We don't want to be there so hopefully 50 yrs. from now 100 yrs. from now people will look back on us.

Ald. Tobin- ESG.

Commissioner Tawil-ESG, one of the resolutions tonight is as you know ESG concluded their \$14million project. We are hoping the savings and energy that we are realizing by purchasing all these LED lights and all that we've done with the water meters, we are hoping the savings and energy will pay for the borrowing for the \$14million for the life of the job which is about 15 or 18 yrs. Project is finished so we are into the measurement and verification. Part of our contract in there we have until Nov. 11th to exercise our option which is to hold ESG accountable for measurement and verifications. MMV (measurements and verification) for all the energy savings there and inefficiencies they promised us and that will be done through ESG and ECG. ECG is our consultant on the job. So they would require about \$126,000 that is the cost of verification and measurement verification. Also there are bonds as part of the cost they issued bonds and the bonds say if they fail in their target then the company will cut the check for the city. That is very subjective in there but however there are some measures in there that we have to accurately measure the performance in there. So that is the resolution before you tonight to authorize the \$126,000 for ESG to do the measurement and verification.

Pres. Rodrigues- We have seen statements. A lot of statements.

Commissioner Tawil- Yes, yes especially the street lights.

Ald. Johnson-You and I had a conversation about what you call zombie telephone poles. Can you update the Council and the public as to what the issues on hand are for those?

Commissioner Tawil-We have zombie poles which is basically when you are driving around certain areas in the City you will see a pole that has been hit and is bent or is broken, still have wires on it and there is a brand new pole right next to it. Usually the utility company such as O&R, Spectrum, Frontier we play this game about who is responsible for it. The rule is the last one out, last one of the broken pole would have to remove the pole the ugly one. The compromised one. I think we have a gap in our code that we cannot force the last one, the last wire whether it is Spectrum or Frontier to move the wire. It stays there. We send friendly reminders there, we took pictures all around we sent code enforcement throughout the city and take pictures, send them letters. But I think as we spoke probably your committee with the blessing of the Council President should tighten our legislations in order to force these companies to get the wires, the last people out.

That is what you, Alex, myself and the Council Pres. can sit down and talk about.

Pres. Rodrigues-The Town of Wallkill did something like that.

Commissioner Tawil-Exactly. The Town of Wallkill did that a couple of years ago. I'm not sure what their success is but whatever we have to do. If we tighten our ordinance and then we can drag them to court. The judge can impose penalties on

them that will get their attention. We tried, took a picture of each and every pole. There is a pole on Mill St. /Fulton it is hanging up in the air, hanging on the pole.

Ald. Johnson- I had a resident call and she has a zombie pole in front of her home, sidewalk needs repair, she has been trying for years she has been calling O&R they don't want to repair the sidewalk until they get their telephone issues resolved. There is no resolution to the problem. So she is frustrated.

Commissioner Tawil- We took pictures of each and every pole that we know of in the City of Middletown. We sent it to all 3 companies and we tried. We are going to have to toughen our ordinance and drag them into court. Unfortunately so that we can have a timely resolution so we can get rid of these broken poles.

Pres. Rodrigues- I already put it in committee.

Ald. Kleiner- Streets in the back of the Psych. Center there tends to be no lights operating and I haven't really been back there at night to check. Are we responsible now for the lights?

Commissioner Tawil-No not for the private roads. Only responsible for the lights on the city roads which is certain streets in the psych. center that the city owns and was dedicated to the city that was part of the subdivision. These are the only ones we are responsible for, last road that connects Cty. Rte. 78 Egerton Rd. that for example is privately owned. We don't maintain it, we don't put any lights and that carries throughout the roads that are privately owned.

Ald. Kleiner-Right the roads that you go back what is now Rockland Psych. Those would be still state owned or privately owned?

Commissioner Tawil-Yes whatever is not owned by the city roads, whatever is not city roads not owned by us and we are the ones that invested the money to basically re-establish those lights. Only on city roads.

Ald. Kleiner- Behind the recycling center is the city doing anything back there? I don't know what activity was going on that question came up.

Commissioner Tawil-Behind the recycling center.

Ald. Kleiner-Anything new going on?

Commissioner Tawil- No.

Chief Ewanciw/Police- Piggyback on something that Jacob brought up about the overnight parking. Effective Nov. 15th overnight parking takes effect which entails no parking on city streets from 2am to 6am every day. Jacob did mention on times of snow it doesn't matter if it is prior to Nov. 15th you cannot park on the streets.

Ald. Johnson- Are residents still able to call if they are going to have guests for Thanksgiving and have cars on the street. Is that no longer an option?

Chief Ewanciw- What we have done in the past 2 yrs. we forgave the parking ordinance during the holiday season as long as there was no pending weather. If there is weather pending then we have to enforce the code.

Ald. Johnson- Does the resident have to call ahead?

Chief Ewanciw- No. What we have done the last years we put out through Nixel and social media that the parking ordinance was going to be waived during that time. With the blessing of the Council and the Mayor I have no problem doing that again.

John Naumchik/City Clerk-The early voting is now done and Sunday was the last day. Great turnout. I am hearing there is a total of around 6,000 people that voted, that is not just at the Senior Center, I haven't gotten the Senior Center exact amounts yet. Tomorrow is Election Day. All the poles in the City of Middletown will be open at 6am. If you do not know where to vote you can call our office at 845-346-4166. 6am to 9pm

7. Public Hearings & Grievances

John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.

8. Petitions & Complaints

John Naumchik- Nothing this evening.

9. Remarks of the Mayor

Mayor is here this evening.

10. Remarks of the Aldermen

Ald. Masi- As John said tomorrow is Election Day. If you haven't already voted please do so tomorrow. It is your right as a free American and it should be your obligation. Many men and women have sacrificed much and sometimes even their lives so you could have this right.

On November 11th next Monday is Veteran's Day there are 2 local celebrations. Please if possible attend one, if not simply thank a veteran. Remember your freedom is what it is because the men and women who have served our country.

You can either go to American Legion Post #151 at 185 Wawayanda Ave. beginning at 10am with a buffet following the ceremony.

Or the Middletown Elks Lodge at 48 Prospect St. 10:30 am a light lunch will follow the ceremony. That is Middletown/Wallkill Veteran's Council.

Ald. Tobin- I think Mr. Masi said it all. Please vote.

Ald. Green- We've exercised our right to vote. Hopefully a nice turnout.

Ald. Johnson-Nothing this evening.

Ald. Ramkissoo- Vote, vote, vote. Have a good evening.

Ald. Kleiner-We will also be having a 2nd Ward constituents meeting on Nov. 11th at 7pm.

Also Mercury is going to be moving in front of the sun morning of Veteran's Day. Don't look at the sun unless you have special glasses for that.

Warming Station opens Nov. 17th and there are 3 more training days scheduled if you are considering volunteering. You can go to the website middletownwarmingstation.com, sign up. The training sessions will be 11/7, 11/19 and 12/11. Great way to give back to the community.

I do want to thank Don Paris we had a public hearing for the public hearing. When no one shows up with any complaints that is a pretty good sign.

I went to the Post Office tonight and it is pitch black in their parking lot. I mentioned it to them, no one knew anything about it. So whether they are still on daylight savings time, they haven't gone back to standard time. I don't know what it is they need to get that together. They never did repaint that parking lot.

I do want to recognize we did lose 2 wks. ago Mr. Ted Sly. Ted Sly was the Orange County Historian for at least 20 yrs. and whenever there was an event going on there was Ted with his video camera and smile and jokes. He was quite an asset to OC. They are going to name a room in the 1841 courthouse and it is going to be the Ted Sly room and his collections. His wife Linda Sly who passed away the year before. Their collection of video tapes and interviews. Great addition to the history of OC.

Ald. Jean-Francois- I would like to thank Officer Gallagher and Regino for attending our 4th Ward constituents meetings last Saturday. We had a great discussion, very informative. Thanking them for taking the time to show up in our meeting.

Please come out and vote tomorrow.

Ald. Kleiner-Thursday, November 14th from 6:30 pm-8pm at the Mulberry House Senior Center Sen. Metzger and others are having rent and utility laws "Know your rights". It is for tenants for anyone who pays utilities. Public is invited to attend.

Ald. Burr-Nothing this evening.

11. Unfinished Business

John Naumchik-Nothing this evening.

12. New Business

234.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$850.00 within the Senior 2019 budget.

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

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$850.00 within the Senior 2019 budget in the following manner:

From	Amount	To
A.6772.495 Misc.	\$300.00	A.6772.400 Contractual Services
A.6772.401 Travel Expense	\$300.00	A.6772.400 Contractual Services
GA.5680.100 Personal Services	\$250.00	GA.5680.103 Overtime

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

235.19 Resolution to amend the City Code for revisions to the Rental Permit requirements to allow advertising of rental units.

On motion of Ald. Johnson seconded by Ald. Tobin

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Department of Public Works have recommended revisions to the Rental Permit requirements to allow advertising of rental units.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Middletown, New York, that the Code of the City of Middletown, Chapter 296, Housing, be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Subsection A of Section 296-24, Unlawful acts, is hereby amended by replacing Paragraph (2) to read as follows:

(2) List, solicit, advertise or offer, exhibit or show to any person a rental unit in a boardinghouse, rooming house, lodging house, multiple dwelling or two-family dwelling for the purpose of bringing about the rental thereof unless:

(a) There is a currently effective rental permit for the subject unit issued in accordance with Article III of this Chapter; or

(b) A full application for a rental permit for the subject unit has been submitted to the Department of Public Works.

Section 2. Subsection A of Section 296-24, Unlawful acts, is hereby amended by replacing Paragraph (3) to read as follows:

(3) Accept a deposit of rent or security in connection with the rental of a rental unit in a boardinghouse, rooming house, lodging house, multiple dwelling or two-family dwelling unless:

(a) There is a currently effective rental permit for the subject unit issued in accordance with Article III of this Chapter; or

(b) A full application for a rental permit for the subject unit has been submitted to the Department of Public Works.

Section 3. Section 296-39, Unlawful acts, is hereby amended by replacing Subsection B to read as follows:

B. List, solicit, advertise or offer, exhibit or show to any person a rental unit in a single-family dwelling or owner-occupied two-family dwelling for the purpose of bringing about the rental thereof unless:

(1) There is a currently effective rental permit for the subject unit issued in accordance with Article IV of this Chapter; or

(2) A full application for a rental permit for the subject unit has been submitted to the Department of Public Works.

Section 4. Section 296-39, Unlawful acts, is hereby amended by replacing Subsection C to read as follows:

C. Accept a deposit of rent or security in connection with the rental of a rental unit in a single-family dwelling or an owner-occupied two-family dwelling unless:

(1) There is a currently effective rental permit for the subject unit issued in accordance with Article IV of this Chapter; or

(2) A full application for a rental permit for the subject unit has been submitted to the Department of Public Works.

Section 5. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or the application of any other provision to any item in this ordinance is held invalid, the invalidity of that provision or application shall not affect any of the other provisions or the application of those provisions to other items in this chapter or ordinance.

Section 6. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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

236.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$10,000.00 from the General Fund Balance for a donation to the Howells Fire Department to purchase a UTV for emergency response on the Middletown Reservoir Trail System.

On motion of Ald. Tobin seconded by Ald. Green

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Mayor to sign all documents for the donation of \$10,000.00 and to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$10,000.00 from the General Fund Balance for the Howells Fire Department purchase of a UTV for emergency response on the Middletown Reservoir Trail System in the following manner:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO
General Fund Balance	\$10,000.00	A.3410.201 FD Vehicles

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

237.19 Resolution to accept the second enforcement period funding in the amount of \$4,729.00 for the STOP DWI funding for the contract dates of March 15, 2019 through January 1, 2020.

On motion of Ald. Green seconded by Ald. Kleiner

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to accept the second enforcement period funding in the amount of \$4,729.00 for the STOP DWI funding for the contract dates of March 15, 2019 through January 1, 2020 and that this funding be added the STOP-DWI budget line within the Police Department Budget.

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

238.19 Resolution to authorize a police escort for the St. Joseph's Procession on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, December 15, 2019 beginning at 12:00 PM and last until 1:00 PM.

On motion of Ald. Masi seconded by Ald. Tobin

Resolved; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown authorizes a police escort for the St. Joseph's Procession on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, December 15, 2019 beginning at 12:00 PM and last until 1:00 PM.

Route: Leave the Church parking lot a turn left onto Cottage Street, then right onto Wisner, turn right onto Sproat Street and proceed on Wickham Avenue, from there turn

left onto North Street, left onto East Main Street, left on Robert Street, and then right on Cottage and continue on Cottage to the Church.

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

240.19 Resolution to exempt the City of Middletown from certain real estate taxes on lands solely devoted to public use as a part of the City of Middletown water shed and related equipment for fiscal year 2021.

On motion of Ald. Johnson seconded by Ald. Burr

Whereas; the City of Middletown wishes to request the County of Orange to exempt the City of Middletown from certain real estate taxes on lands solely devoted to public use as a part of the City of Middletown water shed and related equipment thereon for fiscal year 2021.

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Common Council of the City of Middletown, NY does hereby request the County of Orange, NY, to exempt properties of the City of Middletown, NY from certain County real estate taxes on lands solely devoted to public use as part of the City of Middletown water shed and related equipment thereon and located within the Towns of Mount Hope and Wallkill for fiscal year 2021, respectively, as follows:

<u>TOWN OF MOUNT HOPE</u>	<u>TOWN OF WALLKILL</u>	
12-1-23	999-1-21	999-1-19
14-1-44.1	999-1-22	999-1-20
14-1-76	999-1-23	48-1-5
14-1-95	999-1-24	48-1-6.1
14-1-127	999-1-25	64-1-2
17-1-19	999-1-26	69-1-15
	999-1-27	999-1-20.1
	999-1-28	49-1-32
	999-1-29	49-1-62.2
		64-1-4.1

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

240.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$239,000.00 from the General Fund Balance to fund the workers compensation line for the balance of the year.

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

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$239,000.00 from the General Fund Balance to fund the workers compensation line for the balance of the year in the following manner:

From	Amount	To
General Fund Balance	\$239,000.00	A.9000.840 Workers Comp.

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

241.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$1,500.00 within the Corporation Counsel 2019 budget to cover upcoming publishing and transcription invoices.

On motion of Ald. Kleiner seconded by Ald. Tobin

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$1,500.00 within the Corporation Counsel 2019 budget to cover upcoming publishing and transcription invoices in the following manner:

FROM:	AMOUNT	TO:
A.1900.991	\$1,500.00	A.8020.900
Appraisal of Property		Planning Board

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

242.19 Resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign three Storm Sewer Easements to install and maintain a storm sewer across adjacent properties approved by Corporation Counsel.

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

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Mayor to sign the attached three Storm Sewer Easements to install and maintain a storm sewer across adjacent properties approved by Corporation Counsel.

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

243.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer for a budget transfer from the General Fund Balance for \$61,752.00 in order to repurpose it to Capital Project (Downtown Improvement project) which will be budget neutral.

On motion of Ald. Burr seconded by Ald. Tobin

WHEREAS: in 2014 a budget line was funded for a project called "Community Beautification, General Expense (A.8510.900) the funding totaled \$425,713, with \$229,113 coming from the General Fund Balance. The Treasurer is requesting to close out the project and return the unspent monies to the General Fund Balance to be repurposed, and

From	Amount	To
A.8510.900	\$61,752.00	General Fund Balance
Community Beautification		

SO LET IT BE RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer for a budget

transfer of the above monies from the General Fund Balance in order to repurpose it to Capital Project H.0897.900 (Downtown Improvement project) since this money was transferred to the General Fund from the closing of another project, the impact will be Fund Balance neutral in the following manner:

From	Amount	To
General Fund Balance	\$61,752.00	H.0897.900 Downtown Improvement

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

244.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$7,000.00 within the Parks & Recreation 2019 budget to cover shortage of funds due to the increase in special events, call outs, work at reservoir and fall field usage

On motion of Ald. Burr seconded by Ald. Johnson

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$7,000.00 within the Parks & Recreation 2019 budget to cover shortage of funds due to the increase in special events, call outs, work at reservoir and fall field usage in the following manner:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO
A.7180.100 Pools/Personal Services	\$7,000.00	A.7020.103 General Rec. /Overtime

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

245.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$30,000.00 from the General Fund Balance to cover payroll expenses for the new DPW Code Officer salary from date of hire to the remainder of the year.

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

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$30,000.00 from the General Fund Balance to cover payroll expenses for the new DPW Code Officer salary from date of hire to the remainder of the year in the following manner:

From	Amount	To
General Fund	\$30,000.00	A.1490.100 Personal Services

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

246.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$400.00 within the Senior Center 2019 budget for telephone expense.

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

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$400.00 within the Senior Center 2019 budget for telephone expense in the following manner:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO
GA.5680.440	\$400.00	GA.5680.481
Travel Expense		Telephone Expense

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

247.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$61,156.00 partly from the General Fund Balance, Sewer Fund Balance and within the DPW 2019 budget.

On motion of Ald. Masi seconded by Ald. Kleiner

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$61,156.00 partly from the General Fund Balance, Sewer Fund Balance and within the DPW 2019 budget in the following manner:

	FROM	AMOUNT	TO
1.	A.1620.476 Traffic Systems	\$9,500	A.1620.477 Traffic & Paint
2.	General Fund	\$13,656	A.8160.440 Repairs to Equipment
3.	Sewer Fund	\$12,000	G.8120.440 Repairs to Equipment
4.	General Fund	\$8,000	A.1620.440 Repairs to Equipment
5.	General Fund	\$8,000	A.8160.450 Materials and Supplies
6.	A.5142.440 Repairs to Equipment	\$10,000	A.5110.440 Repairs to Equipment

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

248.19 Resolution to donate two City fire trucks - City Fire Engine #2 to Hancock Fire Department and City Fire Truck #6 to Fairchester Hose Haulers.

On motion of Ald. Masi seconded by Ald. Green

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to declare the following fire trucks surplus and no use to the City and donate them to the following:

- City Fire Engine #2, 2000 Spartan, VIN 4S7AT3993YC036692 that is being replaced with a new unit, to the Hancock Fire Department which will be effective on November 15, 2019.
- City Fire Engine #6 a 1988 Pierce vehicle, VIN1P9CT01D63A040512 which was replaced in 2009 to donate this unit to Fairchester Hose Haulers.

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

249.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to enter an agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with the City's current external auditors (RBT) to do a review of selected time keeping and payroll procedures.

On motion of Ald. Masi seconded by Ald. Johnson

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to enter an agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign the attached agreement with the City's current external auditors (RBT) to do a review of selected time keeping and payroll procedures in the amount of \$5,000 and will be funded by the following transfer within the 2019 budget.

From	Amount	To
A.1331.900	\$1,600.00	A.8888.900
F.1331.900	\$1,700.00	F.8888.900
G.1331.900	\$1,700.00	G.8888.900
Data Processing Supplies		Accounting Fees

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

250.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$6,000.00 within the Police Department 2019 budget for training.

On motion of Ald. Tobin seconded by Ald. Ramkissoon

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$6,000.00 within the Police Department 2019 budget for training in the following manner:

From	Amount	To
A.3120.480 Office Expense	\$ 2,000.00	A.3120.433 Training
A.3120.406 Canine Care	\$ 4,000.00	A.3120.433 Training

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

251.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$12,000.00 from the Sewer Fund to cover ongoing services by CDM Smith, required for post-digester start-up operation.

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

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$12,000.00 from the Sewer Fund to cover ongoing services by CDM Smith, required for post-digester start-up operation in the following manner:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO
Sewer Fund	\$12,000	G.8130.400 Sewer Contractual

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

252.19 Resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract renewal with CPI-HR for services with respect to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the City.

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

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Mayor to sign the attached contract renewal with CPI-HR for services with respect to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the City.

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

253.19 Resolution to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$61,258.41 from the General Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund Balance to fund a shortfall for ESG to measure and guarantee the performance and savings from the project.

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

WHEREAS; the City has elected to use all the M & V Services provided by ESG to measure and guarantee the performance and savings from the project. These services run from 10/1/19 to 9/30/20 and total \$126,266.00. There is \$65,007.59 left in the unspent capital line (H.223) leaving a shortfall of \$61,258.41.

SO LET IT BE RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of Middletown hereby concurs with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Treasurer to transfer a total of \$61,258.41 from the General Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund Balance to fund the shortfall in the following manner:

From	Amount	To:
General Fund. Bal.	\$31,242.00	A.1490.400 Contractual, General
Water Fund Bal.	\$23,891.00	F.8310.400 Contractual, Water
Sewer Fund Bal.	\$ 6,125.41	G.8110.400 Contractual, Sewer

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 OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS

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

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. Ramkissoo, Tobin, Kleiner, Johnson, Jean-Francois, Burr, Green, Masi, Pres. Rodrigues-9

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:38PM

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Sisco