

Village of Middlefield Regular Council Minutes
January 12, 2017

Council met in regular session. Mayor Garlich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Bill Blue, Mr. Carl Hornung, Mr. Scott Klein, Mr. Sam Morrow, Mr. Ron Wiech and Mr. Rick Seyer.

Also present: Mr. Nick Giardina-Fiscal Officer, Mr. Tom Lee-Village Solicitor, Ms. Leslie McCoy - Administrator, Mr. Nick Bellas-Zoning Inspector, Ms. Billie Warren-Recreation Director, Chief Tucholski – Police & Director of Streets & Utilities, Lt. Savage, Ms. Sarah Mathews-Rumpke, Ms. Frances Hanna, Mr. Alex Duncan, Mr. Roger Hanna, Chief Reed-Middlefield Fire Department, Paula Shenal-Community Care Ambulance and Diane Ryder-Maple Leaf.

Opening Ceremony: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda: No Additions or deletions to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes: December 30, 2016 regular meeting – ***Mr. Hornung moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Blue. Roll call: Yeas (6).***

Payment of Bills: ***Mr. Wiech moved to authorize payments totaling \$661,040.53, motion seconded by Mr. Hornung. Roll call: Yeas (6). This includes the debt payments for the plants and Sperry Lane Funding, the final payment for the software upgrade and street stripping.***

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: Income Tax and Financials – Report is included in the packet. Mr. Giardina stated that Income Tax was up about 110,000 compared to last year. The Village had an additional carryover this year of about \$230,000. There were no major expenses or projects in 2016. Discussion regarding the investments and the interest that has been collected this year.

ECON DEVELOPMENT: Report is included in the packet. Ms. McCoy stated that December was a little slow. January has been picking up. The old Ames building is moving forward and will be coming before Planning Commission to request open storage. The broker stated that there are two tenants for the building. The building will be occupied this year

ZONING REPORT: Report is included in the packet. Mr. Bellas stated that zoning is typically slower in the winter months. There were two permits issued in December. Discussion regarding the Vondrasek house and the fact that it is in the courts but has been deeded over to the Yoder's Brother Foundation. Yoder's Brothers Foundation has a purchase agreement on the house and it will be rehabbed in the near future.

DIRECTOR OF STREETS & UTILITIES REPORT – Report is included in the packet. Chief Tucholski stated that the department performed truck maintenance & repairs. So far have used about 75 ton of salt. The nativity scene and the snowflakes have been removed and stored. Middlefield Farm & Garden is repairing one of the tractors. Mr. Harrison & Mr. Berkey installed a radio commercial meter at Duramax. There are 10 residential meter that still need to be installed. Mr. Seyer stated that he would like to see the holiday decorations updated for next year. Mr. Hornung stated that he had comments about the rest of downtown not being light up.

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POLICE REPORT – Report is included in the packet. Chief Tucholski gave the statistics for the month of December. 4951 calls for service for the year; calls for service were down from last year. The department has been working some theft cases. Still waiting on the new cruiser to be put into rotation.

PARKS & RECREATION REPORT – Report is included in the packet. Ms. Warren stated that the basketball season is in week 4 and will be hosted at the high school. Wrestling season is going well. Ms. Warren gave the winners of the Home for the Holidays Contest and the Adult Coloring Contest. The Adult Egg Hunt will be held on April 8th. Mr. Seyer questioned Ms. Warren regarding her budget. Discussion regarding the survey that is available on the website; about 40 people have already completed the survey just today.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT - Report is included in the packet. Chief Reed gave the statistics for the month of December. Discussed the grants that the department has received and applied for.

AMBULANCE REPORT – No report submitted. Ms. Shanel stated that the department did 133 calls in December. CCA has put on two new ambulances to service and have continued training. Both the Township and the Village are very pleased with the service that CCA has been providing. Mayor Garlich stated that the contract is due to renew this year.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-

Mayor Garlich stated that the Village is looking at installing a dog park. Looking at the end of Eagle Park off of Tare Creek Parkway as the location. This is will discussed further in committee meetings.

Mr. Seyer announce that he will be retiring at the end of the year. This will be his last year and will not be seeking re-election. He would like to encourage anyone interested in running for Council to start attending meeting so that the person knows what is going on in the Village.

2017 APPOINTMENT

1. Appointment by Mayor
 - a.)Local Board of Tax Review 1. Mr. Joe Tucholski
2. Appointment by Council
 - a.)Local Board of Tax Review 1. Dave McDowell 2. _____

FIRST READING -

**RESOLUTION 17-01 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2017 TRAFFIC SIGN
RETRO REFLECTIVITY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR THE VILLAGE OF
MIDDLEFIELD, OHIO**

Mayor Garlich introduced Resolution 17-01 by title only.

This is to make sure that the signs are visible in the Village. Discussed the house number requirement.

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Mr. Hornung made a motion to place Resolution 17-01 on First Reading, motion seconded by Mr. Morrow. Roll call: Yeas (6)

RESOLUTION 17-02 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GEAUGA COUNTY AUDITOR TO PROVIDE TAX ADVANCES FOR THE 2017 COLLECTION PERIODS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Garlich introduced Resolution 17-02 by title only.

Mr. Wiech made a motion to waive the required readings and declare Resolution 17-02 an emergency, motion seconded by Mr. Morrow. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Mr. Morrow made a motion to **PASS** Resolution 17-02, motion seconded by Mr. Wiech. Roll call: Yeas (6)

ORDINANCE 16-145 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 945 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE REFUSE SERVICES FOR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Garlich introduced Ordinance 16-145 by title only.

Mayor Garlich gave an overview of the new chapter. Discussed some of the verbiage that is used in the chapter. Ms. Mathews gave clarification between what is solid waste and recyclable material. Discussion regarding how delinquencies will be handled. Ms. McCoy stated that if the resident falls behind in their garbage payment they are subject to having their water disconnection. Discussion regarding a bag program.

Mr. Hornung made a motion to waive the required readings and declare Ordinance 16-145 an emergency and place Ordinance 16-145 on First Reading, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. Roll call: Yeas (6)

ORDINANCE 17-101 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE 3RD ANNUAL ADULT EGG HUNT, WAIVING ANY PROHIBITION OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE REGARDING SAME, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Garlich introduced Ordinance 17-101 by title only.

Mr. Seyer made a motion to waive the required readings and declare Ordinance 17-101 an emergency and place Ordinance 17-101 on First Reading, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. Roll call: Yeas (6).

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

ORDINANCE 16-140 AN ORDINANCES SELECTING THE BID OF RUMPKE OF OHIO, INC. AS THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR RESIDENTIAL AND MUNICIPAL WASTE HAULING, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING SERVICES FOR THE

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**VILLAGE, ACCEPTING SAID BID, AND DIRECTING THE VILLAGE
ADMINISTRATOR TO FINALIZE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR SAID
SERVICES.**

Mayor Garlich introduced Ordinance 16-140 by title only.

Mr. Hornung made a motion to **PASS** Resolution 16-140, motion seconded by Mr. Morrow. Roll call: Yeas (6).

OLD BUSINESS – Nothing before Council

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Web Site Report – Kim Breyley:** Report in the packet. Ms. Breyley stated that it was a great month. The firework brought a lot of views especially with mobile users.

COMMITTEE REPORTS and COMMUNICATIONS

Streets, Sidewalks, & Utilities (Mayor Garlich/Carl Hornung/Sam Morrow) – No meeting in December.

Public Safety (Mr. Seyer/Mr. Blue/Mr. Wiech) – No meeting in December.

Finance & Ordinance (Mr. Klein/Mr. Seyer/Mr. Morrow) – Minutes are in the packet.

Parks & Recreation (Mr. Wiech/Mr. Hornung/Mayor Garlich) – No meeting in December.

Economic Development (Mayor Garlich/Mr. Blue/Mr. Hornung) – No meeting in December.

Planning & Zoning (Mayor Garlich/Mr. Klein/Mr. Linberg/Mr. Dietrich/Ms. Davis) – No meeting in December.

VILLAGE CALENDAR: In packet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Nothing before Council

There being no further business before Council the regular session adjourned at 8:03. pm.

Approved: _____
MAYOR

Attest: _____
FISCAL OFFICER