

February 20, 2023

The Town Council of the Town of Middlebury met in regular session at the Town Hall, Middlebury, IN at 6:00 pm, February 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Miranda Cripe. Everyone in attendance took part in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon the roll call, the following members of the Council were present:

Karl Miller, Scott Miller, Miranda Cripe, Dan Shoup and Chuck Teall

Also present were Jackson Beck, Attorney, Mary Cripe, Town Manager and Peggy Hutchison, Clerk/Treasurer.

MINUTES:

Dan Shoup moved to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2023 meeting. Scott Miller seconded, and the motion passed with a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS:

The following Accounts Payable Vouchers were reviewed and approved on a motion by Chuck Teall and seconded by Dan Shoup. The motion passed with a voice vote.

Accounts Payable Vouchers payroll – 2/5/2023	\$ 138,382.65
Accounts Payable Vouchers – February 20, 2023	\$ 337,295.13

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The update on the Town's website was tabled until the March 6th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mary Cripe presented an "Interlocal Agreement between Elkhart County, Indiana and Town of Middlebury, Indiana for Animal Control Services". This is for the 2023 services at a cost of \$5,940.00. Chuck Teall motioned to approve the agreement and Dan Shoup seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Robert Miller is requesting the Council hire Matt Cooper for the Public Works Department. Robert stated they received several applications. Chuck Teall motioned to approve the hiring and Dan Shoup seconded. The Salary Ordinance Amendment will be presented at the March 6th meeting.

Mary Cripe presented contracts from Peerless Midwest, Inc. for Well #5 - well cleaning and rehabilitation with a contract price of \$24,900.00. For Pump #2 - high service and overhaul with a contract price of \$14,500.00 and for the Intermediate Pump Overhaul with a contract price of \$16,900.00. Chuck Teall motioned to approve the contracts with Peerless Midwest, Inc. and Dan Shoup seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Jackson Beck presented proposed Resolution No. 2023-02 – “A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Middlebury authorizing the Investments of Public Funds Pursuant to IC 5-13-9.5”. Scott Miller motioned to approve the Resolution and Karl Miller seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Resolution No. 2023-03 “A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Middlebury Authorizing the Application for a Rural Business Development Grant” was presented. The Resolution needs to accompany the Matching Funds letter. The Grant total is \$78,975.00 with the Town’s portion of the engineering fees being \$8,875.00. This is for the River Mill project. Scott Miller motioned to approve the Resolution and Karl Miller seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Jackson Beck presented the proposed “Fourth Amendment to Interlocal Agreement” between the Town of Middlebury and the Middlebury Community Library. This is for two (2) years with an annual amount of \$7,200.00. After some discussion, Scott Miller motioned to approve the Fourth Interlocal Agreement and Dan Shoup seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Department Reports:

Water Department – No report

Public Works Department – Nothing to add to the report.

Wastewater Department – The VFD and one (1) new pump have been installed at the Greencroft Lift Station. Still waiting on parts for the other pump. One (1) pump has been installed at the North Ridge Lift Station. They are having electrical problems at the Oxidation Ditch.

Park Department – No report

Police Department – Nothing to add to the report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Redevelopment Commission meeting –cancelled for February.

Elk. County Redev. Comm. Meeting – March 2, 2023 – 2 pm – Elk. Cty. Administration Bldg.

Next Council meeting - Monday, March 6, 2023 at 6 pm -Town Hall

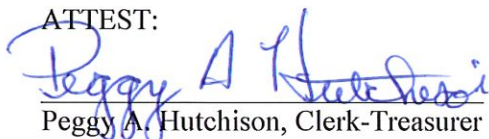
Tree Board Meeting – March 7, 2023 at 7 pm – Town Hall

The meeting was adjourned.



Miranda Cripe, Town Council President

ATTEST:



Peggy A. Hutchison, Clerk-Treasurer