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MIDDLETON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

7:00 PM

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1. 7:00 PM Warrant: #2105 & 2106 **Approved 5-0**
Minutes: Open Session: August 18, 2020 **Approved 5-0**
Town Administrator updates and reports
 - The Maple Street/Liberty Street intersection project is complete. The project finished slightly ahead of schedule. Thanks to Paul Goodwin and Ken Gibbons for managing this project. [\$408,000 project. \$172,000 was paid for with a State complete streets grant and the balance, \$236,000, is paid for with Chapter 90 funds.]
 - Transfer Station stickers for the coming year are now available. As a reminder, stickers are no longer being sold in person at Memorial Hall. All sales are through the website or via mail. October 1 is the deadline for new stickers and this deadline will be strictly adhered to. Residents should get their applications in sooner rather than later to allow time for processing and mailing, to make sure you get your sticker in time.
 - Thank you to everyone who voted last week in the State Primary Election, whether in-person or in advance. Turnout was 35%. Thanks also to everyone who helps make elections happen, including the Town Clerk's Office, poll workers, DPW, School employees, Police and others. Democracy is a lot of work and it is worth every bit of it.
 - Last week we issued a request for quotes for the first phase of the rail trail. This is the section from Essex Street to Central Street. Katrina O'Leary submitted a grant application to fund a portion of this work. We found out today that we are receiving \$164,936. This is great news and we will include acceptance of the grant on the next agenda. [We applied for \$174,800]
 - Work began over the weekend at 245 South Main Street. The former home of Main Street Grill, Daley's, and Haley's will become a 99 Restaurant. Work started with building demolition. The new restaurant will be placed back from South Main Street with parking up front. We welcome the upgrade in this location.
 - In other development news, the properties associated with the Candlelite Motel are scheduled for hearings with the Zoning Board of Appeals. We welcome the redevelopment of these properties. I look forward to turning the page on what was long an unflattering part of Middleton's history.
2. 7:15 PM Public Comment Period **None**
3. 7:20 PM Review and vote on the application for transfer of license from Interstate Management Company LLC to Merritt Boston North Operator LL regarding the operation and management of the Double Tree Hotel at 51 Village Road, Kevin Varr and Steve Mobley **Approved with amendments 5-0**

4. 7:40 PM Review and vote on Third Amendment to Waste Disposal Agreement with Covanta, extending the existing contract by three years at \$90/ton, \$93.60/ton, and \$97.34/ton **Approved 5-0**
5. 7:50 PM Review and vote on policy regarding meetings during the COVID State of Emergency
Postponed
6. 8:00 PM Update on Police Chief search process **Update**
7. 8:10 PM Review and vote to declare surplus a 2007 Dodge Charger and authorize the Town Administrator to dispose of it in the Town's best interest **Approved 5-0**
8. 8:05 PM Vote to appoint Lauren Calabrese to the Cultural Council for a term through June 30, 2021 **Approved 5-0**
9. 8:10 PM Vote to accept the following grant: Fire Department: Assistance for Firefighters Grant – COVID-19 Supplemental: \$22,710 **Approved 5-0**
10. 8:20 PM New Business: Reserved for topics that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed
None
11. 8:30 PM Executive Session: Pursuant to GL c. 30A, s. 21(a)(6) to consider an offer to purchase real property where discussing the matter in open session may have a detrimental effect on the Town.

Upcoming Meetings: September 22: Regular BOS meeting
October 6 & 20: Regular BOS meetings

The Board reserves the right to consider items on the agenda out of order. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.