

Town of Middlesex

Regular Meeting

April, 10 2025

Present: David Adam, Supervisor  
Leon Button, Council Member  
Austin Liddiard, Council Member  
Paul Mitchell, Council Member

Also Present: Sarah Purdy, Yates County Legislature  
Josh Burnett, Highway Superintendent  
Ron Keller, Terry Mott, Dan Paddodl, Bruce St. Lawrence– towns people

Recording: Rebecca Moore, Town Clerk

Absent: Stephanie Betts, Council Member

**Call to Order/Pledge**

Supervisor Adam called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, 1216 State Route 245, Middlesex NY. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Open Public Comments 7:00 PM**

Memorial Day parade will be held in Gorham and there will be help needed for planning and organizing as well as operation day of. Calling for all convertibles or plastic cars for rides for those being honored.

Line up at 0900 – starts at 1000

Float for Marcus Whitman area for veterans name on the Town float – space is available. Cost at the \$150.00 range.

Advertisement on town property – Pioneer and Pine Horse – not correct to have a business advertised on cemeteries and requesting they be moved down the way out of respect of the veterans and resolve the business advertisements on town properties.

**Close public comments 7:11 PM**

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention

Request to approve March 13, 2024 board meeting minutes was approved by Council Member Mitchell and Council Member Liddiard seconded approval, all in favor

**Town Clerk Report**

Town Clerk report submitted to the Town Board. Complete Town Clerk is available upon request in the Town Hall for public review.

**Highway/Buildings/Grounds**

Highway Superintendent report submitted to the Town Board. Complete Highway Superintendent is available upon request in the Town Hall for public review.

ADDED to report: Found hydraulic leak in the excavator so it should be all set to be used now.

Clean up Days worker names: Paul Lee, Bob Quayle, Carson Soles, Ed Nemitz, Daniel Nemitz

Council Member Button arrival 7:36 PM

**Water District Superintendent – Alan Williams**

Nothing to report

**Code Enforcement Officer**

Code Enforcement Officer, planning and ZBA report submitted to the Town Board. Complete Code Enforcement Officer, planning and ZBA is available upon request in the Town Hall for public review

**Historian**

Historian report submitted to the Town Board. Complete Historian is available upon request in the Town Hall for public review.

**Yates county legislature – Sarah Purdy**

Middlesex is not on Yates County Highway report for repair, so nothing to report on projects.

Decision on sale tax sharing was made by committee and it will be the same as 2025 for 2026

Adjacent property: complaints regarding the parking lot issue and the town was told to put Lime on it and after the lime wasn't working, sample was needed and came back showing bacteria in the water sample. Meeting held on sidewalk and debate on ownership was had, however, Town of Middlesex holds no ownership to the property. It was decided that the County was going to investigate and found the Dutton Family Trust owes the property and there is lack of communication back from the Trust to discuss the survey needed and next steps. Thoughts from the county is to do ground penetrating trading

radar (that doesn't involve digging) and it will assist with 'where' the leakage is coming from. County needs an access agreement with the Trust. Supervisor will call the DEC to move forward

**Tax Assessor- Patrick Grimaldi**

Tax Assessor report submitted to the Town Board. Complete Tax Assessor is available upon request in the Town Hall for public review.

**David Adam, Supervisor**

Insurance premium comparison review – Supervisor brought attention to the comparison review that was distributed amongst council members for approval in motions

South Lake Road Assessment Lu Engineering – recommend going back to Lu Engineering and request a 'bare bones' request vs the FULL quote received, to be approved next town meeting, 5/8/2025

Friendship House – East side of building needs to be maintained by the Town of Middlesex per the deed agreement between the Town of Middlesex and The Friendship House

Supervisor Adam will be submitting a letter on behalf of the Town of Middlesex Urging elected state representatives, Thomas O'Mara and Philip Palmisano, to support legislation to monitor and prevent harmful algal blooms (HABs) in New York Waterways

**Open for public comments 7:39 PM**

Hearing none

**Close public comments 7:39 PM**

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING** New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention 7:39 PM

**Motions:**

Motion to approve Scales Lawn company as the Town of Middlesex Lawn and Landscape company adopted by Council Member Button – seconded by Council Member Mitchell, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 3 Adam, Button, Mitchell

Nays 0

Council Member Liddiard recused himself from the above motion due to conflict of interest

Motion to accept Insurance contract from Stork Insurance Agency for 2025 adopted by Council Member Liddiard – seconded by Council Member Mitchell, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard

Nays 0

Motion to approve Paricia Stringer term for 04/10/2025 – 09/30/2029 for Board of Assessment Review adopted by Council Member Liddiard – seconded by Council Member Mitchell, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard

Nays 0

Motion to Accept Lu Engineers Town Engineering Services adopted by Council Member Button – seconded by Council Member Mitchell, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard

Nays 0

Motion to Accept Rebecca Parshall resignation from the Middlesex Zoning Board of Appeals effective April 9, 2025 adopted by Council Member Liddiard – seconded by Council Member Button, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard

Nays 0

Motion to approve Ferrara Fiorenza PC Attorneys and Counselors at Law for legal services adopted by Council Member Mitchell – seconded by Council Member Button, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard

Nays 0

Motion to hire Paul Lee, Bob Quayle, Carson Soles, Ed Nemitz and Daniel Nemitz for Town of Middlesex Town clean up days on April 26, 2025 at \$30.00 per hour adopted by Council Member Liddiard – seconded by Council Member Button, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard

Nays 0

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution # 15- 25

### **Resolution to pay audit of claims for April 2025**

On a resolution by Council Member Mitchell – seconded by Council Member Liddiard, the following resolution was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard

Nays 0

Resolution # 16-25

**Resolution to adopt Local Law New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention**

On a resolution by Council Member Mitchell – seconded by Council Member Liddiard, the following resolution was adopted:

ROLL CALL: Supervisor David Adam – Aye  
Council Member Liddiard – Aye  
Council Member Button – Aye  
Council Member Mitchell – Aye

ADOPTED: Ayes 4  
Nays 0

Resolution # 17- 25

**Resolution to approve Yates County Highway Department 2025 Mowing Contract**

On a resolution by Council Member Liddiard – seconded by Council Member Mitchell, the following resolution was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard  
Nays 0

Executive session called into order by Council Member Mitchell– seconded by Council Member Liddiard @ 8:15 PM - recorder Rebecca Moore and any others except Board members David Adam, Paul Mitchell, and Leon Button

Council Member Mitchell makes motion to exit executive session and Council Member Liddiard seconded @ 8:54 PM

Executive session Motion to direct Supervisor Adam to find an interim Code Enforcement Officer adopted by Council Member Mitchell – seconded by Council Member Button, the following motion was adopted:

ADOPTED: Ayes 4 Adam, Button, Mitchell, Liddiard  
Nays 0

**Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Council Member Liddiard – seconded by Council Member Button, with all in favor to adjourn the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Middlesex at 8:57 PM.