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The regular meeting of the Middlefield Town board was opened at 7:03pm. The minutes of the last town board meeting held on September 14, 2021, and the Budget Workshop held on September 28, 2021, have been available for review. The highway bills had a correction due to an invoice already being paid, making the total \$90,776.81. The General bills had a correction due to the street light bill not being added, making the total \$9,055.62. A Motion to approve with those corrections being made was made by Branigan, second Leon. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Present: Deputy Superintendent Bud Tabor, Council members Peg Leon, Kelly Branigan, and Jeff Woepfel. Zoning Officer Neal Newman, Highway Superintendent Brendan Kraham, David Karl, Planning Board Chair Sydney Waller, Robert Mindurski, Les Rathbun, Arthur Weinstock, Town Attorney David Clinton, James McCartney. Attorney Chuck Talent.

Highway Superintendent's Report- Brendan stated a truck is in the shop with estimated repairs of \$12,000. Also, the power washer needs to be replaced. Attorney Chuck Talent was present for the Shipway Road closure. An application to abandon road was received. A turnaround was discussed. An order of discontinuance contingent on the construction of a turnaround, which is estimated to need 75 feet, was agreed to. **Resolution #10 of 2021.** The Town of Middlefield agrees to permanently discontinue Shipway Road from the point that Shipway Road enters the lands of Stoney Brook Farms, LLC, identified by tax map parcel numbers 56.00-2-3.01 and 56.00-2-4.00. Stoney Brook Farms, LLC and its sole member, Tina Delaney release said Town from all damages, monetary and otherwise, by reason of discontinuing such highway through the LLC's premises. A Motion to approve was made by Leon, second Branigan. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Planning Board Report- Chairman Sydney Waller gave a report to the Board. A lot Line Adjustment was brought before the board. Robert Mindurski (163.00-1-21.00), 307.98 acre (prior to lot line adjustment). To (163.00-1-33.02) Robert Hamilton 11.48 acres. Midurski's lot size will now be 247.58 acres. A Motion to approve was made by Woepfel, second Branigan. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Zoning Officer- Neal Newman gave a report to the board.

Attorney's Report-A draft law to opt out of allowing cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site consumption sites as authorized under Cannabis Law Article 4 was provided to the board from the Town Attorney David Clinton.

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New Business- The preliminary budget was discussed. Next year's health insurance will decrease by a little over \$13.00. The preliminary budget was approved with a Motion by Leon, second Branigan. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried. A public hearing will take place at the November 9, 2021 town board meeting, and salaries will be advertised.

Temporary Special Permits. Sydney Waller. Art Show October 14, 2021. 5-7pm. A Motion to approve was made by Leon, second Branigan Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried. Rotary Club Fall Fling. This permit was signed off on prior to this meeting, due to it not being submitted in time for the event. October 9, 2021. 10-5pm. A Motion to approve was made by Leon, second Branigan. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Recovery money is being used by the County to fund the budget increases to the ambulance fund requests. The County is looking into going to a County wide ambulance service.

Bills

General Bills. Abstract 10. Vouchers 175-194 in the amount of \$6,315.29. A Motion to approve was made by second Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried. Kelly Jeff

Highway Bills. Abstract 10 Voucher 149-163 in the amount \$146,968.40. A Motion to approve was made by Woeppel, second Branigan. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 pm with a Motion by Woeppel, second Leon. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Beth Moakler
Town Clerk