

**BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2015**

MAYOR'S STATEMENT: Under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of the Annual Meeting Notice of January 2, 2015 and was forwarded to the Star Ledger, Courier News and Home News, and posted at Borough Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Mayor	Ronald Dobies
Council President	Sean Kaplan
	Kevin Dotey
	Stephen Greco
	John Madden
	Bob Schueler
	Jack Mikolajczyk

Attorney: Aravind Aithal

APPOINTMENTS

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #275-15

WHEREAS, Patrolman Chad Corner has successfully completed all phases of the promotional testing procedures; and

WHEREAS, Chief Matthew Geist has recommended that Patrolman Chad Corner be promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey, that Patrolman Chad Corner be promoted to the rank of Sergeant effective December 9, 2015 at an annual salary of \$110,079.00.

Councilman Madden made a motion for adoption seconded by Councilman Greco and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Kaplan, Greco, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #276-15

WHEREAS, Patrolman James Bacon has successfully completed all phases of the promotional testing procedures; and

WHEREAS, Chief Matthew Geist has recommended that Patrolman James Bacon be promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey, that Patrolman James Bacon be promoted to the rank of Sergeant effective December 9, 2015 at an annual salary of \$110,079.00.

Councilman Madden made a motion for adoption seconded by Councilman Dotey and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Greco, Kaplan, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

Police Chief Geist congratulated the new Sergeants and thanked the Mayor and Council for their continued support of the Police Department.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #297-15

The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Employment Agreement between the Borough of Middlesex and Matthew P. Geist to serve as Chief of Police effective July 14, 2015 - July 14, 2020.

Councilman Madden made a motion for adoption seconded by Councilman Dotey and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Greco, Kaplan, Madden, Mikolajczyk, and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

PROCLAMATIONS-NONE

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Dobies presented the following individuals within the community the "Middlesex Borough Outstanding Citizen Awards" and also former Fire Chiefs who have served in the borough:

Father Pat Kuffner
Al Lowande
Jim Gorman
Dan Gitler
Daniel Gilroy
Mark Kranz
Subhash Dani
Joseph Waide
Bruce Perone
Angelo Rossi
Guy Hoyt
Phil Lopa

Dr. Linda Madison
Cassius Kennick
Jason Bond
William Moore
Sharon Schueler
Frank Terracciano
Anthony Parente
Jim DiSalvo
Frank Bozzomo
Dawn VandeWiele
Joseph McNulty

Fire Chiefs

Ed Winters
Jack Costa
Andy Castaldo, Jr.
Kevin Mott
Louis Moscetti

George Taylor
Barry Proctor
Jim Rinker
David Bird

PUBLIC HEARING-NONE

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Councilman Dotey made a motion to approve the November 17, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Meeting Minutes seconded by Councilman Greco and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Greco, Madden, and Schueler. Nos: None. Abstain: Kaplan & Mikolajczyk..

REPORTS – STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. Finance/Taxation/Real Estate/Construction Official/Insurance - Nothing to report
2. Recreation/Recreation Fields/Water & Light
 - A. Councilman Greco reported that the Christmas Tree Lighting is scheduled for Saturday, December 12, 2015 at 6pm in front of Borough Hall.
3. Fire/OEM/Board of Health/Rescue Squad/Flood – Nothing to report
4. Public Works/Parks/Sanitation/Recycling
 - A. Councilman Schueler reported on the following regarding the DPW:

1. Fall clean up on all borough properties was done, including leaf removal from parks ball fields and buildings
 2. Repair and set up of Christmas Decorations at Borough hall in preparation for tree lighting
 3. Received delivery of new container for Electronics Recycling at recycle yard set in place with stone
 4. Updated and began work on pot hole list
 5. Inventoried the snow fighting equipment, plows, spreaders and blowers to make sure everything is in working order and running for the upcoming winter season
 6. Clean up and maintenance of Paper street, Pershing Place off Wilton and removed garbage and regarded the area that is a stone base.
 7. General maintenance at borough: painting, replacing light bulbs, ceiling tiles and exterior drain leaders and downspouts at borough hall. General repairs at Police HQ
 8. Continued Leaf pick up throughout the borough on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Leaf bags are still available at recycle yard with coupon from tax bill
 9. Bulk pickup season is over until first Wednesday in February. Any bulk items left out can be subject to violation. Reminder, currently bulk pickups require an appointment
 10. Closed and winterized the bathrooms at Mountainview Park, Haverstick Field and the snack shack at the football field. Note that a port a john has been placed in Mountainview Park to provide a comfort station to users of the park.
 11. While we should use the money in the capital budget for stream cleaning to clear blockages in streams, I suggest we have DPW manager create a plan including manpower to remove the other trees and debris that are not in the stream or hanging over the boundary of the stream.
5. Police/Legal/Code Enforcement/Construction/Municipal Court
 - A. Councilman Madden made a motion to approve the November, 2015 Municipal Court Report seconded by Councilman Greco and carried by a unanimous vote of Council.
 6. Administration/Department of Senior Services/Legislation/Licensing
 - A. Councilman Mikolajczyk reported that the Borough Clerk has prepared a borough organizational chart which will be forwarded to Council, and put on the December 22, 2015 Regular Meeting for council adoption.

- B. The signs for Daisy Park and Lincoln Park have come in. The DPW Supervisor will install these signs by the spring.
- C. A resolution will be approved this evening to transfer HUD funds to purchase A/V Equipment for the Middlesex Public Library.
- D. The DPW Assistant Supervisor met at Daisy Park with the HUD Committee Liaison and discussed what the committee would like regarding the driveway parking, fencing and basketball courts at the park. The committee is looking to have the parking and fencing done before winter, and then the basketball court done in the spring.

REPORTS

Mayor

- 1. Mayor Dobies stated that discussion on Baekeland Avenue Parking will be moved to Executive Session due to potential litigation. Councilman Mikolajczyk made a motion to move Baekeland Avenue Parking to Executive Session seconded by Councilman Greco and carried by a unanimous vote of council.
- 2. Stream Clearing – Mayor Dobies received an estimate for the stream clearing from Predator for \$24,000 for the next phase of cleaning blockages in the stream. Councilman Schueler is recommending that the DPW Supervisor create a plan to see what we can do with the wood and debris adjacent to the brook. Councilman Kaplan also is recommending that we clean the park out and move through other sections of town. Councilman Schueler will request a plan from DPW immediately to utilize our manpower in order to have it implemented between January and April.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Consent Agenda 2015(V)

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of various proposed resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex do not wish to remove any resolutions from this Consent Agenda.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the following resolutions on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved and adopted.

Resolution #277-15 – Resolution #294-15

Councilman Kaplan made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Greco, Kaplan, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. No: None. Abstain: None.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #277-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund 2015 property taxes on the following property. The finance/mortgage company overpaid.

BLOCK/LOT	NAME & ADDRESS	AMOUNT
257/15	Caamano, Joseph & Allison 420 Runyon Ave	\$1,502.92

Check is to be made payable to: Caamano, Joseph & Allison
420 Runyon Avenue
Middlesex, NJ 08846

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #278-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to amend the 2015 added assessment from \$5,432.85 to \$2,768.24 on Block 295, Lot 29, 460 Voorhees Ave. There was a computer calculation error that did not take into account the 1st & 2nd quarter payments billed and/or made.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #279-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF
2016 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 3500HD WORK TRUCK**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex wishes to purchase a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD Work Truck 4WD Regular Cab Mason Dump Truck w/Plow &

Sander from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Contracts Law, 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, Hertrich Fleet Service is under State Contract No. A88759 for the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the purchase of a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD Work Truck is \$55,039.90; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council that the purchase of a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD Work Truck is ordered under State Contract No. A88759 be and is hereby approved.

The Treasurer hereby certifies that the funds in the amount of \$55,039.90 are available in Account No. 04-1879-00-1879-77.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #280-15

The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$7,288.72 to redeem tax sale certificate #2015-1854 and tax sale premium in the amount of \$17,100, Block 136, Lot 28, 241 Oak Dr. The check is to be made payable to:

US Bank Cust for BV001 Trust
50 South 16th Street – Suite 2050
Philadelphia, PA 19102

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #281-15

The Governing Body hereby approves the transfer of \$4,970.00 HUD Funds for the purchase of the Middlesex Public Library Audio Visual System. The Purchasing Agent approved of the purchase from Office Business Systems, 600M Ryerson Road, Lincoln Park, New Jersey. The HUD funds will be transferred out of the following Accounts:

CDRS 1119	\$1,795.00
CDRS 8831	\$1,694.61

CDRS 1221

\$1,480.39

The Treasurer hereby certifies funds are available in the above accounts.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #282-15

FY2017 (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017)

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for Prevention of Alcoholism and drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organization, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Middlesex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic Plan for the Middlesex Borough Municipal Alliance Committee grant for Fiscal year 2017 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$20,965.00
Cash Match	\$ 5,241.25
In-Kind	\$15,723.75

2. The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance Grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #283-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE
OF GLOBE TURNOUT GEAR**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex wishes to purchase Globe Turnout Gear for the Fire Department from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Contracts Law, 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, NJ Fire Equipment is under State Contract No. A71063 for the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the purchase of turnout gear is \$36,335.32; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council that the purchase of turnout gear is ordered under State Contract No. A71063 be and is hereby approved.

The Treasurer hereby certifies that the funds in the amount not to exceed \$36,335.32 are available in Account No. 04-1879-1879-75.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #284-15

Accepting the resignation of Chris Howard, a part time employee from the DPW effective November 25, 2015.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #285-15

The governing body hereby hires Salvatore Dispenziere as a permanent part time employee for the Department of Public Works at \$12.00 per hour for 28 hours per week, effective December 14, 2015, pending a satisfactory background and physical.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #286-15

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has recently performed a review of the unexpended balance of Improvement Authorizations; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this review of the various Improvement Authorizations, it was determined that various inactive, unexpended and unneeded Improvement Authorization balances exist that should be considered for cancellation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Auditor has recommended the cancellation of certain inactive, unneeded and unexpended Improvement Authorizations; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has also reviewed the accounts and concur with the Auditor's recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following Improvement Authorizations are hereby cancelled as follows.

Improvement Authorizations	Ordinance	Cancelled To	Cancelled To
	Number	Fund Balance	Deferred Unfunded
Park Construction	1473-99	\$3,220.75	
Victor Crowell Park	1474-99	\$1,562.45	
Borough Landfill	1476-99	\$1,997.72	
Mountainview Park	1480-99	\$1,892.25	
Building Improvements	1492-00	\$2,119.31	
Purchase of Senior Bus	1513-00	\$4,332.91	\$0.08
Victor Crowell Park Bridge	1524-01	\$8,157.71	
Reconstruction of Roads	1525-01	\$367.96	
Improvements to VC Park	1545-01	\$5,895.72	
Reconstruction of Roads	1548-01	\$370.18	\$0.19
Construction of Bikeway	1571-02	\$5,935.49	
Various Capital Improvements	1582-03	\$13,527.93	
Sanitary Sewer Improvements	1590-03	\$14,885.27	
New Sidewalks	1599-04	\$14,271.87	\$0.25
Improvements to Soccer Field	1600-04	\$960.22	
Various Capital	1605-04	\$4,182.53	

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Hanover Square Condo Association \$ 5,668.44
Alliance Property Management
PO Box 2207
Morrestown, NJ 07962-2207

Middlesex Village Condo Association \$ 23,477.63
C/O Regency Management Group
35 Clyde Road, Suite 102
Somerset, NJ 08873

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #288-15

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT OF MEDICARE PREMIUMS FOR CERTAIN ELIGIBLE PENSIONERS UNDER CHAPTER III, PUBLIC LAW 1973, NJ HEALTH BENEFITS PLANS

WHEREAS, Chapter III of Public Laws 1973, which provided for reimbursement of Medicare premiums of certain eligible pensioners was adopted by the Mayor and Council by resolution on April 9, 1974; and

WHEREAS, certain retired employees of the Borough have applied for reimbursement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that the disbursing officers be and they are hereby authorized to draw checks, charged against Insurance (1) Group Insurance for Employees from the period July through December, 2015, as follows:

James L Benson	\$629.40	Patricia A Benson	\$629.40
445 Harris Ave		445 Harris Ave	
Middlesex, NJ 08846		Middlesex, NJ 08846	
Archie J Blood Jr	\$578.40	Margie L Blood	\$629.40
54 Lincoln Ave		54 Lincoln Ave	
Barnegat, NJ 08005		Barnegat, NJ 08005	
Anthony Cole	\$578.40	Susan Cole	\$578.40
246 Oak Dr		246 Oak Dr	
Middlesex, NJ 08846		Middlesex, NJ 08846	

Dorothy Coren 20 Mead Pl Middlesex, NJ 08846	\$663.00	Anthony Di Bartolomio 4714 Southern Trail Myrtle Beach, SC 29579	\$578.40
John Giuliano 339 Second St Middlesex, NJ 08846	\$578.40	Thomas Lynch 359 Market St Middlesex, NJ 08846	\$629.40
Charlie Nash 213 Melrose Ave Middlesex, NJ 08846	\$578.40	Jerome Nowak 1886 East Fir Ave, Apt 104 Fresno, CA 93720	\$578.40
Arthur Roberts 305 Harris Ave Middlesex, NJ 08846	\$578.40	Erica Schaefer 58 Joe-Ent Rd Flemington, NJ 08822	\$629.40
Jerry Schaefer 58 Joe-Ent Rd Flemington, NJ 08822	\$629.40	Lorraine Smith 5602 Gold Ct New Bern, NC 28560- 9747	\$578.40
Earl S Thompson 6525 41 Ave North St Petersburg, FL 33709-4907	\$624.00	Karen Thompson 6525 41 Ave North St Petersburg, FL 33709- 4907	\$624.00
James Tolomeo 841 West Second St Middlesex, NJ 08846	\$629.40	Rita Wahler 16 Fitzsimmons Ave Middlesex, NJ 08846	\$599.40

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #289-15

The Treasurer hereby authorizes the transfer of funds for the Current Budget of 2015:

ACCOUNT NAME	TO:	FROM:
Police Overtime S/W		\$ 6,000

Police New Hires O/E	\$ 6,000	
Swim Pool S/W		\$ 20,000
Swim Pool O/E	\$ 20,000	

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #290-15

The governing body hereby declares a 1999 Dodge Van, Vin No. 2B4HB15X8XK572352 surplus. This vehicle will be donated to the Middlesex Board of Education.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #291-15

The governing body hereby authorizes the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute the Grant Agreement with the County of Middlesex Office of Aging and Disabled Services for Transportation and Information & Assistance for the term January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #292-15

The governing body hereby hires Jim Rinker as the Code Enforcement Inspector for 10 hours per week, at \$13.00 per hour effective January 1, 2016.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #293-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF
NEW SERVERS FOR BOROUGH HALL**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex wishes to purchase new servers for Borough Hall from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Contracts Law, 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, Ocean Computer Group is under WSCA/NASPO Contract #B27160 & WSCA/NASPO Contract #AR602 (networking) for the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the purchase of new servers is \$51,615.70; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council that the purchase of new servers for Borough Hall is ordered under WSCA/NASPO Contract #B27160 & WSCA/NASPO Contract #AR602 (networking) be and is hereby approved.

The Treasurer hereby certifies that the funds in the amount of \$51,615.70 are available in Account No. 04-1879-00-1879-90.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #294-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK
LAPTOP & IT PROJECT MANAGER LAPTOP**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex wishes to a laptop for the Municipal Clerk and a laptop for the IT Project Manager from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Contracts Law, 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, Dell Marketing LP Software is under State Contract No. 89967 for the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the purchase of two laptops is \$4,487.66; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council that the purchase of two laptops is ordered under State Contract No. 89967 be and is hereby approved.

The Treasurer hereby certifies that the funds in the amount \$1,887.66 are available in Account No. 04-1605-00-1605-55 and in the amount of \$2,600.00 are available in Account No. 04-1715-00-1715-89.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #295-15

THE DISBURSING OFFICERS BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO PAY THE ATTACHED CLAIM LIST AS PRESENTED, IF FOUND CORRECT, AND APPROVED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. EXCLUDED VOUCHERS MAY BE PAID UPON BEING FOUND ACCEPTABLE.

Councilman Kaplan made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Greco and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Greco, Kaplan, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. Nos: None. Abstain: None.

DISCUSSION ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS-NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Dobies opened the Public Portion of the meeting for any comments.

John Ellery, 701 Lincoln Boulevard stated that it has been two years and 11 months and now they mailed out more sewer bills, and in the last 3 years the sewer bills have tripled. He indicated that the bills that were just received must be paid by December 30 and the businesses must come up with these funds in this short amount of time. He feels that we need a proper ordinance for commercial and residential properties. He is requesting that the council work on these issues and move forward, as we are destroying our sewer system.

John Mrofchak, 128 Wood Avenue indicated that this sewer issue could have been settled 3 years ago, but no one wanted to settle it, and the Mayor and Council will not sit and work with the businesses.

Ed Johnson, 216 Hazelwood stated that he sent a letter to the Borough Attorney regarding the ethics violation against Mayor Dobies and requested he forward a copy of the letter to the governing body. Mr. Johnson explained the facts regarding this incident to council and after his explanation requested that if they agreed with his rationale, that they make a recommendation to the state ethics board to pull the summons for an adjournment.

Betty Platten, 4 Hooker Avenue questioned why the council is addressing the mayor's attorney regarding the ethics complaint filed against the Mayor. When Mrs. Platten was on council they were told they couldn't discuss any litigation which involved the plaintiff and or in this case the Mayor.

Seeing that there was no further public participation, Mayor Dobies closed the public portion of the meeting.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

Resolution #296-15

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Governing Body will reconvene.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex will go into closed session for the following reason listed below as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 and the minutes will be kept, and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the items no longer require confidentiality, the minutes can be made public.

1. Chief of Police's Contract
2. Employee Salaries/Request for Full Time Employees

Councilman Schueler made a motion for approval seconded by Councilman Madden and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Dotey, Greco, Kaplan, Madden, Mikolajczyk and Schueler. Nos: None. Abstain: None.

Councilman Madden moved to reconvene the Regular Meeting seconded by Councilman Schueler and carried by the following roll call vote.

ROLL CALL

Mayor	Ronald Dobies
Council President	Sean Kaplan
	Kevin Dotey
	Stephen Greco
	John Madden
	Bob Schueler
	Jack Mikolajczyk

Attorney: Aravind Aithal

At the direction of council, the Borough Clerk will put a resolution on the December 22, 2015 Public Agenda to authorize the Borough Attorney to write a letter to the Ethics Board to withdraw the ethics violation against Mayor Dobies.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Schueler made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting seconded by Councilman Greco and carried by a unanimous vote of members present.

Respectfully yours,

Kathleen Anello, RMC
Borough Clerk