



Borough of Middlesex
Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
~ Minutes ~

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Middlesex, NJ

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Tuesday, May 24, 2022

7:00 PM

Municipal Building

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 AN ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE TO THE STAR LEDGER, COURIER NEWS AND HOME NEWS, AND POSTED AT BOROUGH HALL.

SALUTE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Mayor John Madden
Council President James Eodice
Councilman Jeremiah Carnes
Councilwoman Amy Flood
Councilman Jack Mikolajczyk
Councilman Martin Quinn
Councilman Douglas Rex

Also Present:

Joe Costa Interim Administrator
Christopher Corsini Borough Attorney

Others Absent:

PRESENTATIONS

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointing Karen Rutkowski as a Regular Member to the Board of Health

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex

PROCLAMATIONS

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read Ordinance 2060-22 by title:

ORDINANCE 2060-22

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX IN
CHAPTER 40, FIRE DEPARTMENT, SECTION 40-2 RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX
THAT:**

Section 40-2 shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 40-2 Rules and Regulations <<http://ecode360.com/10336906>>

A. The Fire Department may adopt such rules and regulations as may be deemed advisable concerning the assignment of the Assistant Chiefs, Captains and other members of the Department and concerning the conduct of members of the Department on or about any station house, or while engaged in the service of the Department. The Borough's Rules and Regulations will prevail if or when there is a conflict between the two.

B. Membership:

(1) All persons seeking membership with the Fire Department must be approved by the Borough Council. The Borough Council, in its sole discretion and with cause, may also remove or suspend any members.

(2) Minimum Training Requirements:

- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Be at least 18 years old
- Have a high school diploma or G.E.D.
- Pass a background investigation.
- Pass a physical exam.

(3) The Chief shall report to the Mayor and Council and the Business Administrator any officer or member, who, by reason of age, disease, accident or other incompetency, does not, or cannot fully and properly perform the duties required of him.

- (4) Should any member of the Fire Department resign or pass away, the Chief or the designee shall secure all Borough equipment assigned to the former member.

- (5) The Chief shall submit without delay, the resignation of any member of the Fire Department to the Municipal Clerk. The Borough Council will formally accept the resignation at their next available Council Meeting.

C. Chief: Responsibilities

(1) Fire Calls

- a. The Chief shall have absolute command, control, charge, management, discipline, and supervision of every officer in the fire Department.
- b. The Chief shall attend all fires when possible. In the event the Chief is unable to physically be at the scene, the Chief will be contacted as soon as possible and made aware of the situation.
- c. The Chief shall have sole control, management and command at fires over all officers and members of the Department, and over all apparatus and appurtenances belonging to the Borough.
- d. The Chief shall cause to be extinguished all fires with the least possible danger to life and property, and prevent unnecessary damage at fires, from fire, water, etc.
- e. The Chief shall have power in case of fire to demolish buildings or parts of buildings, or other structures which in his judgment might cause further damage to life or property.
- f. The Chief shall have power to remove any obstacle which interferes with the operation of the Department in fighting a fire subject to all applicable statutes and regulations.
- g. The Chief shall have power to cause the removal of any property whenever it shall become necessary for the preservation of such property from fire or to prevent the spreading of fire or to protect adjoining property.
- h. The Chief shall submit monthly reports to the Mayor and Council containing the number of fires within the Borough and a record of alarms and fires. He will maintain the records of the cause if known,

the damage done, a list of companies reporting and a list of individual members reporting for duty at each fire.

- i. The Chief shall, during the progress of a fire, serve as the primary responding officer and may, in collaboration and consultation with the Chief of Police or other appropriate command staff, direct the police force present, for the purpose of preserving property and the enforcement of order.
- j. The Chief or the designee shall record all fire accidents and report them immediately to the Business Administrator.

(2) Fire Department Operations

- a. The Chief or the designee shall keep an accurate record of all business transacted in the Fire Department.
- b. The Chief or the designee shall at all times supervise and keep in repair and ready or instant use all the property of the Borough connected with the Fire Department.
- c. The Chief is required to make special reports upon any matters which in his judgment require the attention of the Borough Council.
- d. The Chief shall provide a list of firefighters annually who qualify for the benefits of the LOSAP program.
- e. The Chief or the designee shall see that companies conduct regular drills.
- f. The Chief or the designee shall recommend to the Borough Administrator the purchase of new apparatus, hose, equipment, etc.
- g. The Chief or the designee shall requisition and account for all supplies.
- h. The Chief or the designee shall test and approve or disapprove, with the reasons therefore, when practicable, all apparatus, hose, equipment, or tools before purchase or acceptance of same.
- i. The Chief shall report annually to the Borough council the number of members of the Fire Department and their names, the number and names of all members who have been discharged during the year, and all statistics and information regarding the fires in the Borough during the year, the losses by fire, the causes of fire, and its prevention or extinguishment, and such other information and make such recommendations as he may deem wise.

- j. The Chief or the designee shall make an inventory of all property of the Borough and its condition in December of each year.
- k. The Chief shall certify all bills against the Borough chargeable to said department.
- l. The Chief or the designee shall supervise and direct the testing of all relevant equipment and apparatuses with appropriate timeframes, as determined by the National Fire Protection Association, NFPA.
- m. The Chief or the designee shall order equipment and training subject to the approval of the Business Administrator.

D. Requirement to Drive Borough Fire Apparatus

- (1) The Chief or the designee shall design and conduct an evaluation process to assess the driving skills, emotional maturity, and operational knowledge of potential drivers.
- (2) The Chief or the designee shall document the progression and approval, pursuant to the evaluation process referenced above, of each driver in thorough and complete detail and shall retain all records for each active driver and for all drivers affiliated with the Department for a period of five (5) years after the driver ceases driving for the Department.
- (3) Trainers must be aware to properly prepare the candidate before the evaluation. Trainers must be watchful of the candidate's skill, demeanor, and knowledge of driving large vehicles under extremely stressful conditions.
- (4) All Fire Apparatus Drivers must possess or achieve the following:
 - A valid NJ Driver's License
 - A minimum of three years driving experience
 - A minimum of three years firefighting experience
 - A minimum of one year experience with the Middlesex Fire Department to become familiar with specifics of the local roads and operations
 - Fire apparatus knowledge
 - Emotional maturity
 - Every driver must requalify annually

E. Requirement to Take Borough Fire Trucks out of Municipality:

- (1) In case a fire occurs in the municipalities within reasonable distance of the Borough's limit, when aid is requested, the Chief, in his discretion, may send such aid, but in no case shall more than two (2) companies leave the Borough at one time, unless on order from the Mayor or Business Administrator.
- (2) A Shared Services Agreement is required between the Borough and any neighboring municipality should a neighboring municipality request the Fire Department be "on call" on a regular basis. This Shared Services Agreement shall be a legal document between the two municipalities and shall be incorporated under the appropriate statute.
- (3) Unless fire apparatus is required as cited above or if there is a need for repair or maintenance, permission to take apparatus out of the municipality for any other reason (e.g., parades, wet-downs, demonstrations, funerals) approval must be granted in advance by the Borough Council.

F. Borough Apparatus and Equipment:

- (1) All members of the Fire Department are expected to treat Borough Apparatus and Equipment with care and respect. If any equipment is missing or damaged, it is to be reported immediately to the Business Administrator through the Chief or the designee.
- (2) Members abusing or mishandling equipment or who have repeatedly lost or caused equipment to be damaged shall be disciplined according to the Department's Progressive Discipline policy.

G. Discipline:

- (1) The Chief or the designee will develop and enact a progressive discipline policy for members of the Fire Department.
- (2) The Chief or the designee shall diligently inquire into any and all complaints of misconduct made by resident or other individuals against the Department members while on duty, and for neglect of duty or violation of the rules and regulations of the Department.
- (3) If charges are filed by the Chief against any officer or member of the Fire Department, the Chief shall immediately notify the Mayor and Business Administrator.

- (4) The Chief shall (have power to) summarily suspend any member of the Department from duty for flagrant violation of the rules and regulations where the reputation and discipline of the Department would suffer if such action were not taken.
- (5) The Chief shall forward to the Mayor and Council and the Business Administrator report of his action in the above.
- (6) The Chief shall have power, in case of violation of rules and regulations, which violations have been proven, to demote or dismiss the offender from the Department and must report such at once to the Mayor and Council.
- (7) The Mayor and Council may, upon recommendation of the Board of Fire Officers and within their own discretion, suspend or expel any member of the Department who shall conduct himself at any time, whether on active duty or not, in such a manner as to be unbecoming to a member of the Fire Department.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication as required by law.

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/14/2022 7:00 PM
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President	
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman	
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex	

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read Ordinance 2061-22 by title:

ORDINANCE 2061-22

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 323 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLED
“RENT CONTROL”**

WHEREAS, the existing Chapter 323 titled “Rent Control” is outdated and must be repealed in its entirety; and

WHEREAS, in consideration thereof, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex desires to repeal Chapter 323 of the Municipal Code, titled “Rent Control”; and

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Chapter 323 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey titled “Rent Control” is hereby repealed pursuant to the provisions hereof:

Section I

Chapter 323 is hereby repealed and deleted in its entirety.

Section II

All ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section III

If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to this section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section IV

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication in the manner required by New Jersey general law but, in no event, less than 20 days after its final passage by the Borough Council and approval by the Mayor, where such approval is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181(b).

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/14/2022 7:00 PM
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President	
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman	
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex	

ORDINANCE(S) FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read Ordinance 2059-22 by title:

ORDINANCE 2059-22

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE SALARY RANGE OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX

TITLE	SALARY	RANGE
Full Time Employees		
Chief of Police	\$160,000	\$195,000
Borough Administrator	\$100,000	\$150,000
Borough Clerk	\$65,000	\$100,000
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$40,000	\$65,000
Administrative Clerk/Purchasing Agent	\$45,000	\$65,000
Chief Financial Officer	\$85,000	\$110,000
Treasurer	\$60,000	\$85,000
Tax Collector	\$50,000	\$75,000
Finance/Tax Clerk	\$40,000	\$55,000
Human Resources/Payroll Clerk	\$45,000	\$60,000
DPW Superintendent	\$90,000	\$120,000
Recreation/Office on Aging Director	\$60,000	\$85,000
Recreation Manager	\$40,000	\$55,000
Court Administrator	\$60,000	\$75,000

Court Deputy Administrator	\$47,000	\$60,000
Court Violations Clerk	\$37,000	\$47,000
Certified Technical Assistant	\$45,000	\$65,000
Senior Administrative Assistant	\$42,000	\$55,000
Administrative Assistant	\$32,000	\$45,000
Records Clerk	\$34,000	\$50,000

Part Time Employees

Assistant Recreation Director	\$11,000	\$14,000
Recreation Committee Secretary	\$1,200	\$2,000
Tax Assessor	\$20,000	\$40,000
Code Enforcer/Zoning Official	\$30,000	\$65,000
Construction Official	\$10,000	\$15,000
Electrical Sub-Code Official	\$11,500	\$17,000
Building Sub-Code Official	\$20,000	\$25,000
Resale Certificate Inspector	\$2,500	\$7,500
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$10,000	\$25,000
Fire Sub-Code Official	\$10,000	\$15,000
Planning/Zoning Clerk (per meeting)	\$200	\$400
Shade Tree Secretary	\$2,350	\$3,000
Juvenile Conference Committee Secretary	\$1,500	\$2,500
Municipal Magistrate	\$35,000	\$50,000

Hourly Employees

	Per Hour	Per Hour
Administrative Clerk	\$14.00	\$20.00
Construction/Code Inspectors	\$13.00	\$16.00
DPW Laborer	\$14.00	\$20.00
Meals on Wheels Driver	\$14.00	\$20.00
Medical Transportation Driver	\$14.00	\$20.00
Senior Transportation Driver	\$14.00	\$20.00
Pre-School Program Coordinator	\$14.00	\$20.00
Pre-School Program Instructor	\$13.00	\$18.00
Playground Coordinator (Seasonal)	\$14.00	\$20.00
Playground Site Supervisor (Seasonal)	\$12.50	\$18.00
Playground Counselor (Seasonal)	\$12.00	\$16.00
Police Matrons	\$15.00	\$20.00
Crossing Guards	\$14.00	\$20.00
Custodian	\$15.00	\$20.00

Mayor Madden opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2059-22. Seeing that there were no public comments, Mayor Madden closed the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2059-22.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the May 10, 2022 Regular & Executive Meeting Minutes

RESULT:	APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman
AYES:	Eodice, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex
ABSTAIN:	Carnes

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Madden stated as a reminder that Primary Election is on June 7 and polls will be open from 6AM - 8PM.

- Districts 1, 2 & 3 will be voting at Middlesex High School
- District 4 & 10 will be voting at the American Legion
- District 5 & 6 will be voting at Hazelwood School
- District 7, 8 & 9 will be voting at Mauger Middle School

All voters that have had their voting locations changed for this year have been sent postcards notifying them of where they will be voting.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council President Eodice

Council President Eodice stated that he will not be stepping down as Council President and that he will be finishing out his term.

Councilman Carnes

Councilman Carnes made the following comments:

Cultural and Heritage Committee is doing well, although the last few events have been cancelled. There are several events being planned for the future.

JLUB will meet tomorrow for the Master Plan, anyone wishing to attend the meeting is welcome.

The American Legion re-opening ceremony went well and their new facility is well done.

Councilwoman Flood

Councilwoman Flood made the following comments:

The Swim Pool Commission met Wednesday May 18th. These meetings are open to the public and during the summer they are held at the snack bar in the pool facility the third Wednesday of the month. Saturday May 21st the pool held an open house and brought in several new registrations. The pool will be offering some new programs which can be found on the website.

The Board of Education met May 12th and opened to the public after an executive session. Several new positions were brought to the Board and the 2022-2023 school calendar was approved.

Councilman Mikolajczyk

Councilman Mikolajczyk made the following comments:

Highlights of the Police Report: 1897 Calls for service, 4 arrests, 2 DWI's, 296 summons, 29 crashes. Commented on the traffic issues at the cross section of Hazelwood Avenue and Union Avenue. Hazelwood stop signs are up. The process to change over dispatch duties has started.

Meetings have been held including fire and OEM to help seamlessly transfer over.

Councilman Quinn

No report was given.

Councilman Rex

Councilman Rex made the following comments:

The Shade Tree Commission received 6 Emails with resident's communicating status of issues with their shade tree and asking for them to be investigated. Various Commission members volunteered to do the task. Reports will be given at the next meeting.

Update on budget:

The Commissions was informed that it is slated to receive \$45,000 for 2022. This was approved at the last council meeting when the budget was approved.

Various JLUB applications were discussed, and the Commission had concerns about the 400 Market application. The location of the Pin Oak and Evergreens, based on site plans, appear to be on High Street. Chairman Bond felt the foundation on lot 17 was approximately 12 feet away from trunks of the Evergreens. The Pin Oak may be a Borough tree and measurements should be taken. He also felt a tree protection zone, installed to drip line, should be installed, prior to construction, and enforced by the Borough's code enforcement during construction. 3' layer of wood chips and durable mats should be installed prior to construction as well.

Chairmen Bond indicated that based upon the plans for the proposed construction at 221 Second Street, he feels it is impossible to protect or save the two Ash trees on the north side of the property.

Previous Work Agenda:

Reports were given for inspection and recommendations for 6 residential sites. They ranged from pruning, side walk shaving, to removal. All removals where Ash trees effected by the Emerald Ash borer. Plans were discussed for their replacement.

Unfinished Business :

RFP for tree Inventory - Chairman Bond did not have an update as there are concerns that it will be expensive to conduct.

Dedication of property on Raritan Avenue as a tree arboretum - Chairmen Bond continues to work on a plan to submit to Joe Costa.

General Update:

Arbor Day planting in front of Library was successful. The Shade Tree planted a seedling from the Salem Oak and plan on placing a sign on the tree in the future. Pictures are available on website.

Shade Tree will have a display at the Library in June and material has been collected.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- **Master Plan update** - JLUB Hearing on May 25, 2022 in the Library Community Room
- **Ambrose Brook** - Administrator thanked the DPW for working to rebuild the banks and remove the debris
- **Memorial Day Parade** - There are up to 19 floats for the parade
- **BA Ad- 8** resumes have been received. Once a few more are received we will begin the interview process.
- **Sewer Ordinance** - This ordinance is under review. Meeting held with engineer. Will look into costs to the borough and meet again to discuss best option to move forward.
- **Sewer Connection fees (uncollected)** - The View has paid \$200,000, the Lofts committed to paying \$58,000 and 100 Factory Lane will pay fee, but is challenging calculations at this time.
- **Measures to prevent uncollected sewer connection fees in the future** - Administrator discussed check list to prevent this happening in the future
- **Update on McDonalds Property** - The building has been boarded up and fencing will be installed.
- **Rescue Squad Lease** - Meeting was held with the Rescue Squad representatives, their attorney and borough Administrator. This will be discussed in Executive Session at the June 14 Meeting

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Rich Rutkowski, 211 Maple Street, commented on the uncollected sewer connection fees and asked the Mayor who is responsible for the mistake.

Gene Hanania, 353 Lincoln Blvd, expressed his concern for traffic conditions by his residence. He indicated that there are cars speeding down the road creating a danger to the residents and asked the Mayor how he can get the issue resolved.

Kevin Redzinski, 441 Fairview Avenue, commented on the clearance of Ambrose Brook and the Rent Control Ordinance that was introduced. Mr. Redzinski stated that the Borough needs to have a Forensic Audit conducted, and asked the Mayor to look into the cost of this Audit. Additionally, he commented on the uncollected sewer connection fees, stating that it is another reason why the Borough needs the Audit. He also commented on the court camera system currently in use asking if it had streaming capabilities and asked about the cost of streaming systems.

Dave Polakiewicz, 240 Hazelwood Avenue, stated that he believes that the Borough needs to conduct a Forensic Audit. He also commented on an OPRA request he recently submitted, asking what the reasons for redaction were, who makes that decision, and how they are justified. Mr. Polakiewicz commented on the transparency of the Borough.

Bob Edwards, 243 Hazelwood Avenue, commented on the publication of the council meetings on Piscataway TV, stating that a week is too long to wait to air the video. He asked the Mayor to look into other avenues such as YouTube.

NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 156-2022**ACCEPTANCE OF STANDING REPORTS**

The Governing Body hereby accepts the following Reports itemized below:

1. Acceptance of the April, 2022 Police Report

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 157-2022**ACKNOWLEDGING THE CHANGE IN STATUS FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES UNDER THE VETERAN TAX DEDUCTIONS**

WHEREAS, per (N.J.S.A. 54:4-8.10 et seq.as amended by P.L. 2019 c.413; N.J.A.C. 18:27-1.1 et seq.), certain Veterans were the owners of property in the Borough of Middlesex on or before October 1, 2021, and

WHEREAS, said Veterans did file their claims for the Veteran deduction with the proper official of the Borough of Middlesex, Middlesex County, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has allowed the following Veteran deduction(s) for the 2022 tax year totaling \$250.00

Name: Sullivan, Marcia
Block/Lot: 231 / 14
Amount: \$250.00

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 158-2022**APPROVAL OF AMUSEMENT MACHINE LICENSES FOR 2022/2023 (EXPIRE 5/31/2023)
FOR THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX - *Item Removed from Consent***

The application for Amusement Machine Licenses, Pool Tables and Music Licenses, filed by the following establishments, which have been approved by the Chief of Police, be accepted, and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the licenses upon receipt of the fees. This license is valid until May 31, 2023.

End Zone Lounge	(1) Pool Table	\$350.00
425 Bound Brook Rd.	(4) Amusement Machine	
	(1) Music Machine	
Ferraro's Pizzeria & Pub	(1) Music Machine	\$150.00

275 Lincoln Boulevard

American Legion	(1) Pool Table	\$350.00
707 Legion Place	(5) Amusement Machine	
	(1) Music Machine	

Tim Kerwin's Tavern	(2) Amusement Machines	\$350.00
353 Bound Brook Rd.	(1) Music Machine	
	(1) Pool Table	

Ellery's Grill	(3) Amusement Machines	\$350.00
701 Lincoln Boulevard	(1) Music Machine	

TOTAL \$1550.00

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 159-2022

**ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JUAN RIVERA IBARRA FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS EFFECTIVE MAY 10, 2022**

The Governing Body hereby accepts the resignation of Juan Rivera Ibarra from the DPW effective May 10, 2022. Mr. Ibarra was employed part time in the Sanitation Department.

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 160-2022

APPROVAL OF THE TOWING LICENSES FOR 2022/2023 (EXPIRING 5/31/2023)

The following applications for Towing Licenses for 2022/2023 have been approved by the Police Department and met all Borough requirements, and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the license in consideration of the fees which have been paid.

1. Hart's Auto Body
2. Tierno's Automotive Inc.
3. M&W Towing Service

4. Mike's Towing
5. JVD Towing

NON-CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 161-2022

PAY ALL CLAIMS

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.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex

AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEM

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Borough Clerk Linda Chismar read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 162-2022

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 including Contract Negotiations - PBA, Potential Litigation - Flood Issues, Real Estate - Sampling Plant and Land Acquisition - Easements; 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.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Eodice, Council President
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Councilman
AYES:	Eodice, Carnes, Flood, Mikolajczyk, Quinn, Rex

Contract Negotiations - PBA

Potential Litigation - Flood Issues

Real Estate - Sampling Plant

Land Acquisition - Easements

ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Meeting will be June 14, 2022

Respectfully yours,

Linda Chismar, RMC
Borough Clerk