Municipal Building
1200 Mountain Avenue

March 11, 2003

A public meeting of the Mayor and Council was held at the above place on the above date commencing at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor	Ronald S. Dobies (absent)
Council President	Bruce Sadowski
	Louis Curcio
	Colin Fowler (absent)
	Michael Hompesch
	Josephine Liana (absent)
	Garrett Mulcahy
Attorney:	George Hendricks
Administrator:	Joseph Manning

Council President Sadowski opened the meeting with the Sunshine Law Statement saying the meeting had been advertised in the Public Meeting Notice of January 7, 2003.

Middlesex Borough Environmental Commission Chairman Ralph Magliette presented the Year 2003 Environmental Excellence Award to the Middlesex Borough Girl Scouts, Service Unit #9 for their efforts on the annual Flower Planting for the Memorial Day Parade and adopting and beautifying Castle Park.

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance No. 1578-03 for introduction.

ORDINANCE NO. 1578-03

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX FOR THE YEAR 2003

Mr. Sadowski moved for introduction seconded by Mr. Hompesch and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Members Curcio, Hompesch, Mulcahy and Sadowski. Nos.: None. Abstain: None.

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance No. 1579-03 for introduction.

ORDINANCE NO. 1579-03

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING TE PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR WATCHUNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE CONTRACTING FOR THE CODIFICATION OF THE BOROUGH ORDINANCES, APPROPRIATING $25,600 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Mr. Sadowski moved for introduction seconded by Mr. Hompesch and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Members Curcio, Hompesch, Mulcahy and Sadowski. Nos.: None. Abstain: None.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Consent Agenda 2003(F)

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 is not desirous of removing any resolutions for individual action from the 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 #77-03 - Resolution #86-03

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #77-03

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer funds from reserves to pay 2002 water consumption fees.

FROM	**TO**	**AMOUNT**
Utilities-Hydrants O/E	Sewer O/E	$2,000.00

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #78-03

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE TO AMEND THE TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS UNTIL THE ADOPTION OF THE 2003 BUDGET:

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Other Expenses	$ 3,000.00

Garbage

Other Expenses	$ 2,000.00

Roads	
Other Expenses	$ 5,000.00
Parks	
Other Expenses	$ 2,000.00
Curbside Recycling	
Other Expenses	$ 16,000.00
Celebration Pubic Events	
Other Expenses	$ 10,000.00
Sewers	
Other Expenses	$ 3,000.00

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #79-03

WHEREAS, in past years we have applied to the Director of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs for aid under the "Extraordinary Aid Program"; and

WHEREAS, it is again the desire of the Mayor and Council to apply for said "Extraordinary Aid".

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an "Extraordinary Aid" application for the Calendar Year 2003 be prepared and submitted to the Director of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the required officials under the "Extraordinary Aid Application for the Calendar Year 2003" be authorized to sign the application.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #80-03

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Borough Administrator to take any and all action necessary to file for the Phase II Brownfields Assessment Grant.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #81-03

Krista Rose, 128 Runyon Avenue, Middlesex, New Jersey be and is hereby approved as the secretary to the Rent Review Board effective March 4, 2003 at a rate of $10.00 per hour.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #82-03

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received on Tuesday, February 18, 2003 at the Borough of Middlesex for the Replacement of 10 HVAC Units; and

WHEREAS, listed below are the bids which were submitted:

Centicola Air Conditioning & Heating Inc. 1583 Livingston Avenue North Brunswick, NJ	$52,000
Blue Dot Sheet Metal Corporation 587 County Route 519 Belvidere, NJ	$74,000

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that:

1. At the recommendation of the Construction Official, the Governing Body hereby awards the bid for the contract for the Replacement of the 10 HVAC Units to Centicola Air Conditioning & Heating Inc. of North Brunswick, New Jersey in the amount of $52,000.00.

2. This resolution shall effect immediately.

NOW FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer hereby certifies that funds are available in Ordinance No. 1437 ($5,000), Ordinance No. 1492 ($17,000) and Ordinance No. 1544 ($30,000).

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #83-03

WHEREAS, Resolution #331-02 was adopted on December 17, 2002 advancing Donna Porcaro in grade pursuant to Article XV of the Police Department Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, at the recommendation of Chief Benson, Resolution #331-02 shall be amended to reflect the advancement in grade of Donna Porcaro to become effective on February 24, 2003.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Police Officer Donna Porcaro be and is hereby advanced in grade to Patrolman Class "E" effective February 24, 2003 at an annual salary of $46,421.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #84-03

BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

The Borough of Middlesex has awarded a contract, without competitive bidding, for professional services pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5(1)(a). The contract, and the resolution authorizing it, will be available for public inspection at the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Awarded to:	George F. Hendricks, Esq.	Awarded to:	Lewis Goldshore, Esq.
Services:	Borough Counsel	Services:	Environmental Counsel
Year:	2002	Year:	2003
Cost:	$37,700 base salary	Cost:	$150 per hour
Awarded to:	McManimon & Scotland	Awarded to:	Ruderman & Glickman, P.C.
Services:	Bond Counsel	Services:	Labor Relations Counsel
Year:	2003	Year:	2003
Cost:	$175 per hour	Cost:	$140 per hour
Awarded to:	William T. Cooper, III	Awarded to:	Hodulik & Morrison, P.A.
Services:	Prosecutor	Services:	Auditor
Year:	2003	Year:	2003
Cost:	$22,000 per year	Cost:	$115 per hour
Awarded to:	Kupper Associates		
Services:	Engineer		
Year:	2003		
Cost:	$115 per hour Chief Principal Engineer		

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #85-03

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.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

Resolution #86-03

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to submit the TEA 21 Grant Application for the pedestrian facilities and bikeway in the vicinity of Victor Crowell Park; and

WHEREAS, Schoor DePalma has submitted a proposal to prepare the TEA 21 Grant Application for the sum of $7,200 by the application due date of April 10, 2003.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that:

1. The Governing Body hereby authorizes Schoor DePalma to prepare the TEA 21 Grant Application for the sum of $7,200 by the application due date of April 10, 2003.

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

NOW FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer hereby certifies that funds are available in Ordinance No. 1462-99.

Council President Sadowski opened the public portion of the meeting for comments or questions. Seeing that there was no public comments, Council President Sadowski closed the public portion of the meeting.

Mr. Curcio moved the approval of the February 11, 2003 and February 25, 2003 Public & Agenda Meeting Minutes and the February 18, 2003 Agenda Meeting Minutes seconded by Mr. Hompesch and carried by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Mulcahy moved the approval of the Court Report for the month of February, 2003 seconded by Mr. Curcio and carried by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Mulcahy moved the approval of the Police Department Report for the month of February, 2003 seconded by Mr. Curcio and carried by a unanimous vote.

Council President Sadowski moved the approval of Lori Pinter as a qualified driver of Engine 21 and Kevin Crynock, Dan Lubetkin, Vince Vacca, Michael Macher and Richard Scott as qualified drivers of Truck 25 seconded by Mr. Mulcahy and carried by a unanimous vote.

Council President Sadowski moved the approval of Jim Rinker's transfer of membership from Beechwood Heights Fire Co., #2 to H.C. Pierce Hose Company seconded by Mr. Mulcahy and carried by a unanimous vote.

Council President Sadowski moved the approval of the Treasurer's Report for month of February, 2003 seconded by Mr. Curcio and carried by a unanimous vote.

On behalf of Mayor Dobies, Council President Sadowski moved to appoint the following members of the Ad Hoc Committee on Teen Smoking to the Drug & Alcohol Alliance: Kristina

Armer, Mr. & Mrs. Auger, Ms. Lon Balunis, Patrolman Frank Bottiglieri, Ms. Bernadette Colanduoni, Laura Ferreira, Ms. Helene Goodwin, Natalie Jesionka, Patrolman Scott Johnson, Ms. Sherley Penrose, Kevin Sumner, Sandra Szele, Ms. Janice Vandenberg, Sarah Waitt, and Mr. Greg Freeman.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Council President Sadowski and seconded by Mr. Curcio and carried by unanimous vote of Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Anello, RMC
Borough Clerk