

A Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of Middletown Township was held in the Main Meeting Room at Town Hall, One Kings Highway, Middletown, New Jersey and virtually through WebEx at 7:00 p.m. on February 16, 2021.

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt called the meeting to order and read the following notice:

The Notice Requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by transmission to The Star Ledger, The Independent and Two River Times and by posting at the Middletown Township Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk all on January 7, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Mayor Perry
Absent: Settembrino

Also present were Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante, Township Attorney Brian Nelson and Township Clerk Heidi Brunt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt requested a moment of silence to honor the troops serving worldwide defending our freedom and way of life.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt requested a motion to approve the minutes.

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the minutes of the following meetings:

January 19, 2021 Regular Meeting, February 1, 2021 Workshop Meeting

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Mayor Perry
Nays: None
Abstention: None
Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated Motion carries to approve the minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2021-3302 – Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Properties Owned by The Township of Middletown Not Required for Public Purposes Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:12-13, Et Seq

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Don Watson, 1 Collinson Drive, requested information on possible structures on the properties.

Hearing no further comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated motion carried to pass this ordinance.

INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2021-3303 - Ordinance Amending Chapter 540 Of The Code of the Township of Middletown Entitled Planning and Development Regulations

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on March 1, 2021.

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2021-3304 - Ordinance Amending Section 7-91 Of The Code of the Township of Middletown Governing Purchasing Contract Thresholds

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on March 1, 2021.

CONSENT AGENDA

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt requested a motion to adopt a consent agenda including Resolutions 21-72 through 21-86 and Bingo and Raffle Applications.

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the consent agenda:

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated the motion carried to adopt the consent agenda.

Resolution 21-72 – Resolution Authorizing the Township of Middletown to Renew and/or Extend Its Agreement with County of Monmouth for The Use of the Property Located at Block 796, Lot 8 For A Police Radio Tower

WHEREAS, the County of Monmouth is the owner of Block 796, Lot 8 (the “**Property**”), being a part of Tatum Park, Middletown Township (“**Township**”), operated by the Monmouth County Park System;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Township Resolution 10-275 and County of Monmouth Resolution R-10-12-6=431, the Township entered into a Temporary Use and Occupancy Agreement, which began on January 1, 2011 (the “**Agreement**”) with the County of Monmouth for the use of 625 square foot portion of the Property to maintain a police radio tower as a back-up antenna for emergency purposes;

WHEREAS, the Agreement expired on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township and County of Monmouth wish to renew and/or extend the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Mayor of the Township is hereby authorized to renew and/or extend the Agreement for the use of the Property to maintain a police radio tower as a back-up antenna for emergency purposes, a copy of which shall be maintained by the clerk and advertised in the Township's official newspaper pursuant to law.

Resolution 21-73 - Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract to DeFeo Associates to Provide Recycling Consultant Services

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), professional services contracts are exempt from the bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown (“the Township”) is in need of recycling consultant services, which is a professional service; and

WHEREAS, the Township seeks to award a professional services contract to DeFeo Associates to provide such services, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000, for a period not to exceed one year; and

WHEREAS, DeFeo Associates has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that it has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Middletown in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit same from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq., which has been on file for 10 days prior to adoption of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, as an open ended contract with no firm quantities guaranteed, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10(a), funds will be certified and encumbered by individual purchase order prior to each request for professional services to be rendered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that it hereby awards a professional services contract to DeFeo Associates, consistent with the foregoing terms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to take any and all steps reasonably necessary to effectuate the foregoing, including the execution of instruments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is directed to advertise notice of this professional services contract award in accordance with law.

Resolution 21-74 - Resolution Authorizing the County of Monmouth Mosquito Control Division to Conduct Aerial Mosquito Control Operations Within the Township of Middletown

WHEREAS, the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:9-27 et seq. has elected through its Mosquito Control Division to perform all acts necessary for the elimination of mosquito breeding areas and/or to exterminate mosquitoes within the county; and

WHEREAS, the County has instituted an Integrated Pest Management Program consisting of surveillance, water management, biological control, and chemical control to exterminate the mosquito population within the County of Monmouth; and

WHEREAS, prior to conducting aerial dispensing operations over a designated “congested area,” the County is required, pursuant to Federal Aviation Administration Regulation (FAR Part 137.51), to secure prior written approval from the governing body of the political subdivision over which the aircraft is to be operated; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown is designated as a “congested area” by the Federal Aviation Administration and the County has requested that this governing body consent to its proposed aerial dispensing operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

1. The Governing Body hereby authorizes the County of Monmouth Mosquito Control Division or its agent to apply pesticides by aircraft for mosquito control in certain areas of the municipality designated by the County as being either larval mosquito habitat or area harboring high populations of mosquitoes constituting either a nuisance, a health hazard, or both with the understanding that:
 - a. The County shall utilize pesticides, application equipment and aircraft that are approved for aerial application by the applicable Federal (USEPA) and State (NJDEP) agencies, and
 - b. such operations will be performed in compliance with applicable Federal and State regulations, and
 - c. the County will notify the police department of each municipality over which aerial pesticide operations are planned prior to commencement of such operations.

Resolution 21-75 - Resolution for Temporary Emergency Appropriation

WHEREAS, emergent conditions have arisen with respect to the payment of bills in a number accounts and no adequate provision has been made in a Year 2021 temporary budget for the aforesaid purposes, and

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for the purposes above mentioned, and

WHEREAS, the total temporary emergency resolutions adopted in the Year 2021 for the Township pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, PL 1951 (NJS 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$20,081,269.76 for the Current Fund, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED (not less than two thirds of all members of the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, New Jersey affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of NJS 40A:4-20:

1. An emergency temporary appropriation shall be and the same is hereby made for the following purposes:

See Chart Next Page

Attachment 1 - 2021 Temporary Budget Worksheet		
Account Number	Description	Amount
1-01-20-100-100-200	A/E O/E	14,000.00
1-01-20-100-101-200	Purchasing O/E	500.00
1-01-21-180-100-200	Planning - O/E	5,000.00
1-01-21-180-101-200	Planning Board - O/E	10,000.00
1-01-21-185-100-200	Zoning Board - O/E	22,000.00
1-01-22-195-100-100	Building Dept. - S&W	5,000.00
1-01-25-265-101-100	Uniform Fire Safety - S&W	10,000.00
1-01-26-290-101-200	DPW Storm Response - O/E	500,000.00
1-01-26-290-104-200	DPW Administration & Engineering-O/E	1,000.00
1-01-26-305-100-100	Solid Waste & Recycling - S&W	20,000.00
1-01-26-305-100-200	Solid Waste & Recycling - O/E	395,000.00
1-01-26-310-100-200	DPW Maintenance of Township Property -O/E	15,000.00
1-01-26-315-100-200	DPW Fleet Maintenance - O/E	5,000.00
1-01-27-330-100-100	Health - S&W	1,000.00
1-01-30-410-218-208	Prior Year Bill - Village at Chapel Hill (2018)	13,761.25
1-01-30-410-219-208	Prior Year Bill - Village at Chapel Hill (2019)	12,090.00
1-01-31-447-100-275	Utilities - Heating Oil - PBG	5,000.00
1-01-31-460-200-200	Utilities - Fuel O/E	50,000.00
1-01-36-477-200-284	Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)	3,000.00
	TOTAL	1,087,351.25

2. That said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in the 2021 budget under the appropriate titles.
3. That one certified copy of this resolution will be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

Resolution 21-76 - Resolution Expressing Support for Legislation Expanding Offenses Eligible for Expungement Upon Successful Discharge from Drug Court (S-2951/A-4771)

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of New Jersey generally provide for the expungement of records and information relating to all prior arrests, detentions, convictions, and proceedings upon the completion of a term of special probation or satisfactory completion of a substance abuse program, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, as the New Jersey Supreme Court has held, “[e]xpungement offers a second chance to rehabilitated offenders who have made a commitment to lead law-abiding lives,” see Matter of T.B., 236 N.J. 262, 267 (2019); and

WHEREAS, pending before the Legislature are companion bills S-2951 and A-4771 (the “Bill”), which among other things would expand the offenses that are eligible for expungement

upon a defendant's successful discharge from Drug Court, including individuals convicted of certain excepted offenses that are found to be drug or alcohol dependent at the time of commission of the offense; and

WHEREAS, this Bill would help make individuals eligible for expungement such as Middletown resident Nikki Tierney, who has turned her life around following addiction to raise three kids as a single mom and graduate with a master's degree in clinical mental health counseling with a specialization in addiction studies, but remains ineligible to become a licensed alcohol and drug counselor due to her non-violent conviction from over one decade ago; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee finds the goals of the Bill to be laudable and supports the Legislature's effort at providing individuals such as Nikki Tierney with a second chance at leading a law-abiding life through expungement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that it hereby expresses its support for legislation expanding the offenses eligible for expungement upon successful discharge from Drug Court, as provided in the bills pending before the Legislature as S-2951 and A-4771.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to Governor Phil Murphy, Senate President Steve Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, as well as the Bill's legislative sponsors and members of Middletown's legislative delegation, including Senators Vin Gopal, Troy Singleton, Patrick Diegnan, Joseph Cryan, and Declan O'Scanlon, and Assemblymembers Joann Downey, John Armato, Raj Mukherji, Gerard Scharfenberger, Serena DiMaso, and Shavonda Sumter.

Resolution 21-77 - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Vendor with State Contract for GPS Device and Monitoring Services/Maintenance for the Township of Middletown

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey as follows:

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 et seq., and the regulations promulgated thereunder, the following purchase without competitive bids from vendor(s) with State Contract is hereby approved:

ITEM # 1

VENDOR

SHI International Corp.
290 Davidson Avenue
Somerset, NJ 08873

STATE CONTRACT #: 89851

AMOUNT: \$40,693.24

DESCRIPTION

GPS Devices and Monitoring Services/Maintenance for a Twelve Month Period for Approximately 167 Devices for Twelve (12) Months and an Estimated Amount of 80 Devices for Four (4) Months Monitoring Services/Maintenance for Seasonal Snow Plows for The Township of Middletown

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Middletown has certified that adequate funds for such contract are available, and are designated to line item appropriations of the official budget no. see below-. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof and the funds to be expended herein are assigned to line item no. see below. A copy of the within resolution and certification shall be certified by the Township Clerk. The Township Attorney is satisfied that the availability of funds has been provided and a copy of the within resolution shall be made a part of the file concerning said resolution and appointment.

1-01-26-315-100-235 - \$45,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this contract is open-ended pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)2, with no firm quantities being guaranteed. Funds will be certified and encumbered by individual purchase order prior to each request for service.

A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:

- A) Purchasing Agent
- B) Comptroller
- C) MIS Director
- D) Vendor

Resolution 21-78 - Resolution Awarding Contract for Excess Stop Loss Coverage

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown currently provides its employees with self-insured health coverage, supplemented by various excess stop loss coverages from Sun Life Financial; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown seeks to renew its excess stop loss coverage policies from Sun Life Financial, including a specific stop loss policy in the premium amount of

\$127,451.69 per month and an aggregate stop-loss policy in the premium amount of \$2,870.73, each for calendar year 2021; and

WHEREAS, authorization for the award of this contract does not require public bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:11-5(1)(m) as an insurance-related contract, subject only to certification of availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Sun Life Financial, One Sun Life Executive Park, Wellesley Hills, MA 02481, for the provision of excess stop loss coverage, consistent with the foregoing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of this contract award shall be published by the Township Clerk in the Township's official newspaper and a complete copy of the contract be maintained by the Clerk.

Resolution 21-79 - Resolution Authorizing Refund of Tax Sale Proceeds Due to Error

WHEREAS, a Tax Sale was held in the Township of Middletown on December 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Tax Sale Certificate Number 20-00191, associated with Block 1063 Lot 10 Qual C2705, being owned by Joseph & Monica Mure, was sold in error; and

WHEREAS, US Bank Cust/Actlien Holding, I purchased the Tax Sale Certificate sold in error and is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$2,977.37.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that a refund in the amount of \$2,977.37 shall be paid to US Bank Cust/Actlien Holding, I, US Bank Global Corp Trust SVCS, 50 South 16th Street., Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, in resolution of this erroneous sale.

Resolution 21-80 – Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills for February 16, 2021

The Township Committee hereby approves a resolution for the payment of bills for February 16, 2021 in the amount of \$30,783,377.25.

Resolution 21-81 - Cancellation of Community Development Mortgages

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the mortgages of the Township securing the Community Development and Neighborhood Preservation Program loan/grants in connection with the following properties be and hereby are authorized to be canceled because these mortgages have been repaid, expired or otherwise satisfied.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
447	33	Joyce Holcombe	21 Kelvin Ave	25,500

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and other authorized appropriate and responsible officials including the Township Administrator, the Director of Planning, the Community Development Director, or Township Attorney be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the Township of Middletown such certifications and other documentation as may be required by the Monmouth County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

- A. Community Development

Resolution 21-82 - RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO MOBILE PAYMENT PROCESSING SYSTEM, INC. FOR PARKING TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown seeks to procure the services of an entity to provide a parking management and revenue control system, along with certain revenue collection services, data reporting services, and other services (the “Parking Technology Services”); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown has received a proposal from Mobile Payment Processing System, Inc. to provide such services, upon the terms set forth in the contract attached hereto and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed and determined that the total estimated value of the Proposal is less than the bid **threshold**, and therefore a contract for this concession-based service may be awarded by informal quotation, as provided in N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.4(f) and (g); and

WHEREAS, such contract awards by may be for a term not to exceed 24 months, as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Mobile Payment Processing System, Inc., for the provision of Parking Technology Services, consistent with the foregoing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of this contract award shall be published by the Township Clerk in the Township’s official newspaper and a complete copy of the contract be maintained by the Clerk.

Resolution 21-83 - Appointments to Lincroft Senior Citizen Housing Corporation (Luftman Towers)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

1. That the following individuals are hereby appointed or reappointed as members of the Lincroft Senior Citizens Housing Corporation, Luftman Towers pursuant to the "Code of the Township of Middletown" for a term set forth below:

JAMES P. RICCIARDI, JR.

SEAT VI

Expiring 12/31/2023

2. The Township Clerk shall send a certified copy of this resolution to each of the following:
 - a. Each appointee listed above who shall present themselves before the Township Clerk to take and subscribe to the Oath of Office.
 - b. Lincroft Senior Citizens Housing Corporation

Resolution 21-84 - Resolution Adopting the Monmouth County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown, NJ, has experienced natural hazards that result in public safety hazards and damages to private and public property and;

WHEREAS, the hazard mitigation planning process set forth by the State of New Jersey and the Federal Emergency Management Agency offer the opportunity to consider natural hazards and risks, and to identify mitigation actions to reduce future risks and;

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management has provided federal mitigation funds to support development of an updated mitigation plan and;

WHEREAS, a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by the County Office of Emergency Management and Mitigation Planning Committee and;

WHEREAS, the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan includes a prioritized list of mitigation actions including activities that, over time will help minimize and reduce safety threats and damage to private and public property and;

WHEREAS, the draft plan was provided to each participating jurisdiction through a website hosted by Michael Baker International, the contracted vendor assisting with the planning process. Links were links also posted on the Emergency Management and Division of Planning websites so as to introduce the planning concept and to solicit questions and comments and to present the Plan and request comments, as required by law and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Middletown:

1. The Monmouth County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted on June 23, 2020 by the Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency and subsequently approved by both agencies on August 27, 2020, be and is hereby adopted as an official plan of the County or Monmouth; with the required yearly updates and minor revisions recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management may be incorporated without further action.
2. The Township of Middletown departments identified in the Plan are hereby directed to further pursue potential or suggested implementation of the recommended high priority activities that are assigned to their departments.
3. Any action proposed by the Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the Township of Middletown, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so to mandate any such appropriation.
4. The Township of Middletown Emergency Management Coordinator is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments, and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management. The status reports shall be submitted on a yearly basis by a predetermined date agree upon by all stakeholders.

Resolution 21-85 - Cancellation of Community Development Mortgages

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the mortgages of the Township securing the Community Development and Neighborhood Preservation Program loan/grants in connection with the following properties be and hereby are authorized to be canceled because these mortgages have been repaid, expired or otherwise satisfied.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
550	6	Roseanne Marasco	388 Wilson Ave	\$13,865

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and other authorized appropriate and responsible officials including the Township Administrator, the Director of Planning, the Community Development Director, or Township Attorney be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the Township of Middletown such certifications and other documentation as may be required by the Monmouth County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

A. Community Development

Resolution 21-86 - Resolution Awarding Contract to Eagle Truck Equipment For Drum Replacement

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown (“Middletown”) is in need of a drum replacement for its Scarab SN #0242; and

WHEREAS, Middletown has obtained the attached quote from Eagle Truck Equipment, Inc. to complete this repair in the amount of \$37,560; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the sufficiency of funds for this procurement; and

WHEREAS, Middletown’s Qualified Purchasing Agent recommends award of this contract pursuant to her authority under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3, however, Middletown has a standing bid threshold of \$36,000, which has not yet been adjusted to the maximum threshold allowed pursuant to law, \$44,000, as provided in Local Finance Notice 2020-14; and

WHEREAS, Middletown seeks to increase the bid threshold to \$44,000 to allow for this procurement, as it is permitted to do by resolution of the Township Committee under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3, and which it will further formalize through the adoption of an ordinance that is being introduced at this meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown hereby awards a contract to Eagle Truck Equipment, Inc. for the provision of a drum replacement for its Scarab SN #0242, in the total contract amount of \$37,560, consistent with the foregoing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Eagle Truck Equipment, Inc., consistent with the foregoing.

BINGO AND RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

Ocean Avenue School PTA	20-128-A
Ocean Avenue School PTA	20-129-A
St. Mary’s PTA	21-09
Leonardo Grade School PTA	21-10
Ocean Avenue School PTA	21-11

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

Committeeman Clarke, announced the 9/11 Memorial Fund is selling permanently installed personalized bricks. He congratulated Emergency Services during the snow storms. He commended Matt Deickman who risked his life to save a Middletown resident from a fire.

Committeewoman Snell, congratulated Department of Public Works and Emergency Services for their response during the snow storms. She thanked Blake Morrison who cleaned 11 fire hydrants of snow during the snow storms. She elaborated on the 9/11 fundraiser of personalized bricks. They are also installing a Fountain of Hope, Memorials to 1st responders in the military on 9/11.

Deputy Mayor Hibell, thanked the Department of Public Works for snow storm response, a job well done. He discussed the distribution of funds to small businesses.

Mayor Perry, commended the Department of Public Works response for the snow storms. He is very excited to begin distribution of relief checks to small businesses. He thanked Jill Cammarosano , Jess Ticino, Laura Mattes who helped to hand out 29 grants of \$15,000 a total of \$422,500 dispersed to the 29 businesses. He talked the application submitted to BPU to move forward with the potential snow canopy project in the parking lot by the train station. He commended the Township Resolution 21-76 supporting S-2951/A-4771 which supports expungement for people after completion of drug court.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Steve Miller, 151 Borden Road, stated he would like to view the stormwater ordinance 2021-3303.

Don Watson, 1 Collinson Drive, commended the good job cleaning the snow that was piled on top of the storm drains, although the sidewalks are still not cleared, New Monmouth Road, Middletown Lincroft Road and Route 520 sidewalks. He stated that more education should be provided to drivers.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adjourn at 7:27 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Hibell, Fiore, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: Settembrino

Clerk Brunt stated motion carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Brunt
Township Clerk

Approved:

Anthony S. Perry, Mayor