# The Annual Report of the Town of Middlefield, Massachusetts For the 2022 Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023

Annual Town Meeting May 6, 2023



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Pictures from Middlefield Days, October 9, 2022

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Administrative Assistant Tonya Santaniello (413) 623-2079 Mon-Wed-Fri 9am-3pm

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Board of Health
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Health Agent
Ed Fahey
inspectors@berkshireplanning.org
(413) 442-1521 x60

Building Commissioner William Girard (413) 464-4281

Electrical Inspector Eric Main (413) 212-3021

Fire Department

To Report an Emergency Dial 911

Ron Radwich
(413) 623-6456

<u>Finance Committee</u> Joe Kearns, Chair

<u>Highway Department</u> Skip Savery, Superintendent (413) 464-2229

<u>Library</u> Lois Bell, Librarian Mon 1pm-6pm, Thurs 1pm-5pm Sat 9am – 12pm (413) 623-6421 Plumbing Inspector William Zeitler (413) 665-8101

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Chief Jenny Dion
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Town Clerk
Suzanne Lemieux
Mon 1pm-6pm
Assistant Town Clerk
Lois Bell
Tues 1pm-4pm

Treasurer Kirsten Henshaw By Appt. (413) 531-8148

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#### **Elected Officials 2022**

Selectboard Ann Marie Visconti, Chair Tonya Santaniello Curt Robie	2025 2023 2024
Assessors	
Tamarin Laurel-Paine, Chair	2023
Laura Lafreniere, Clerk	2025
Ken Murray, Secretary	2024
Cemetery Commission	
Mark Doane	2025
Larry Pease	2023
Timothy Pease	2024
Constables	
Charles Hunter	2025
Curt Robie	2024
Library Trustees	
Lois Leonardo-Bell, Director	
Mary Lou Kearns	2023
Susan Baker Donnelly	2024
Catya Belfer, Chair	2025
Finance Committee	
Joseph Kearns, Chair	2025
Stephen Harris	2024
Gita Jozsef	2024
Adair Laurel-Cafarella	2025
David DiNicola	2023
Planning Board	

Doreen Black, Chair

Michael Hitchcock

Diane Marie Thome

Nicole Fecteau

James Cameron McNeill

2024

2023

2024

2023

2025

# **Zoning Board**

Mary Courtney, Chair Maureen Sullivan Sherri Venditti Jay Swift, Alt.

#### Moderator

Joe Kearns 2023

#### **Town Clerk**

Suzanne Lemieux 2024

#### **Communication Commission**

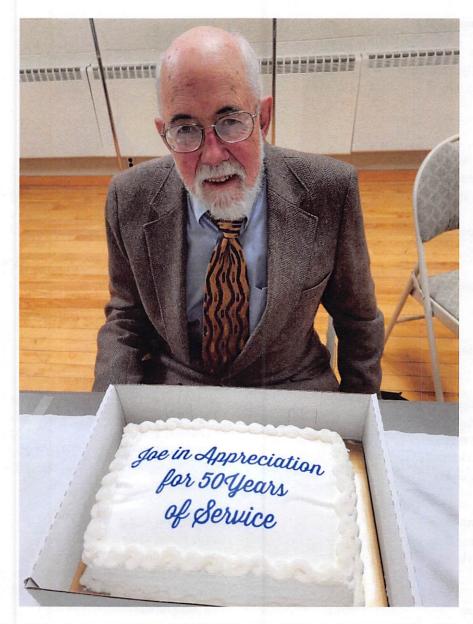
Stephen Harris, Chair Joseph Kearns

### **Conservation Commission**

David Fuller, Chair 2025
Carol Waag 2025
Wayne Main 2023
Mitch Feldmesser 2025
Barry Bernard 2025
Christine Bresnahan, Alt.

## **Council on Aging**

Judy Hoag, Chair Suzanne Lemieux, Director Board Members: Sharon Barry, Crystal Main, Noreen Suriner, Laura Lafreniere, Marge Pierre, Patricia Jones.



# ANNUAL MIDDLEFIELD TOWN REPORT DEDICATION FY2023

The Town of Middlefield dedicates this year's Annual Town Report to Joseph (Joe) Kearns for his fifty years of service to the Town. Joe has been Middlefield's "man of all seasons" having served the Town in almost every capacity one could hold during his life and continues to serve the Town as Town Moderator and as Chairman of the Town Finance Committee. Joe also serves as a member of the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative. He is proud of the Town, its history, and residents and has served unselfishly in most cases as a volunteer. Joe only wants what is best for the Town and works to bring about growth and change in the community. The Town celebrates his continuing very successful life as a family man, parent, teacher, and public servant.

Below is a partial list of positions Joe has held in Middlefield and on behalf of Middlefield in Hampshire County government.

**Member and Chair of the Hampshire County Commissioners.** The commissioners provided a retirement board, a health insurance plan, a court system, a Register of Deeds, an electric company, and a long-term care facility as well as many other social services.

#### **Selectman and Chair**

Arranged for the Army Corps of Engineers and National Guard to replace a bridge spanning the Western branch of the Westfield River damaged by a heavy weight truck. Organized Middlefield volunteers to feed the National Guard (UMass students and their officer) six meals over the weekend of Bailey Bridge construction.

A flood caused the Glendale Brook which feeds Glendale Falls to jump down Clark Wright Road and scour it down five feet in depth. It made the road impassible. Joe enlisted a civil engineer retired to Middlefield to volunteer oversite of the reconstruction and assure that the road construction was of high quality and structured to avoid a repetition of the disaster.

As chair, Joe toured the roads annually with the road crew to assist our Department of Public Works to prioritize projects for the following year. In compiling the Town Report during his terms, Joe enlisted Middlefield artists, including Cam and Diane McQuaid, to illustrate and provide graphics and cartoons. Middlefield frequently won a state prize recognizing this effort.

#### **Finance Committee Member and Chair**

In addition to developing response to each article on the annual town warrant Joe solicited each town department to report what they required for the year in development of the warrant.

#### **Moderator of the Town Meeting**

Joe moderates Annual and Special Town Meetings, preparing for them by training annually with the statewide Moderators Association and daily information shared by other moderators on an active "Gavel Line."

#### Middlefield Fire Department Member and Secretary

While he was a member, he participated in nightly call outs prompted by railroad track fires sparked by locked breaks igniting shredded ties laid in heaps at the side of the right of way of the steep incline through Middlefield.

After one fire, he was diagnosed with pneumonia from flying heated dust while putting out a chimney fire.

#### **Ad Hoc Committees:**

**U.S. Bicentennial 1976** facilitated funding of rehabilitation of the old town hall now the Senior Center through Commonwealth funding, appeals to graduates of the school and weekly summer flea markets.

**Middlefield Bicentennial 1983** helped develop a celebration which included a parade in which many towns participated.

Member of area-wide committee focusing on bringing internet access to rural towns in Western Massachusetts. Visiting other small towns which developed their own systems, he and Steve Harris developed a plan for a Middlefield system.

Member of the Middlefield Communications Committee. He and Steve Harris have wired the Town Hall and Senior Center to provide internet and cell phone access and permit presentations in the auditorium. They have also set up links to emergency services hubs.

Wrote grants to provide new windows, a new heating system, a new roof, and a solar array for the Town Hall. Took part in maintaining them.

Chair and Member of the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative A consortium of towns and cities implementing solid waste removal, recycling, and hazardous waste disposal.

# TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD SELECT BOARD ANNUAL REPORT FY2023

The Board wants to take this opportunity to thank all those individuals that have stepped up to support the Town and its attempt to provide the best possible services to all town residents in a transparent and fiscally responsible manner. The Board also wants to thank the Hinsdale Fire Department and Hinsdale Ambulance, Becket Ambulance, Hilltown Ambulance and the Massachusetts State Police for their continued service to the Town. The Board also wants to thank the Pioneer Planning Commission, Berkshire Planning Commission, and all the other state and regional agencies who have assisted the town over the past year.

The Select Board wants to especially recognize the efforts of Joe Kearns for over 50 years of service to the town including as Chair of the Finance Committee, Town Moderator, and as a Select Board Member to name but a few. Lois Leonardo Bell, Town Librarian for her efforts to maintain the best possible collection of books for both adults and children in town and for her efforts in modernizing the cataloging of books with national systems. The Board also wants to recognize the efforts of Town Clerk, Suzanne Lemieux for her efforts to keep up with ever-changing election laws, Wayne Suriner for his continuing efforts to provide a safe and clean Transfer Station, the Council on Aging Staff for their continued efforts to provide a high degree of services to town seniors, the Members of the Historical Committee who are improving the town museum, to all the members of the town's Police, Fire and EMS staff, the chairs and all members of town committees including Recreation, Town Center and Middlefield Days committees. Ken Murray for agreeing to be the Middlefield Town liaison for the MVP Dirt Road Grant, and especially to Skip Savery, Highway Superintendent, and the members of the Highway Department Staff for services provided to get the town through a very difficult winter and mud season. The Board also wants to recognize the efforts of Carol Waag, Andrea Tosi, and Mark Lipton, for stepping up to write a very detailed Open Space Plan for the Town which has received preliminary approval by the state. The Middlefield Agricultural Association for its continuing efforts maintain the traditions of a local Town Agricultural Fair each year.

This year has been an extremely busy and complex year for the Select Board. In the spring long-time Administrative Assistant Duane Pease retired. As the year progressed, it became obvious that the nature of the current position and weekly hours were not meeting the needs of the Town. The Select Board offered a resolution to the town that failed to hire a full time administrator. The Board was approached by the Town of Washington to develop a contract and job description to share the duties of a new Town Administrator. Contracts and a job description were developed, and the position was advertised. Three candidates were interviewed for the position with two offers made. Both were rejected in part to the low salary being offered. Both Town Select Boards went to each town to request and increase in salary for the TA position. Both towns agreed to the increase the salary and the position was re advertised by the Berkshire County Planning Commission in mid-April. As of April 12, 2023, five candidates have expressed interest in the position. Working with Berkshire County Planning Commission, the towns are developing an interview schedule. It is hoped to have a new shared Town Administrator in place for the start of the FY 2024 year.

After reviewing area town administrative staffing, the Board also felt that it was important to establish a part-time Administrative Assistant position which would provide support for the Board and new TA by performing routine administrative tasks to allow the Town Administrator the time necessary to explore grant opportunities for the town and work with state agencies to improve the town. A new 20 hour per week position was approved by the Town. The position was advertised and filled allowing residents the opportunity to come to the Town Hall to meet with a town official during the week to conduct business and receive information.

There is no doubt that the country is changing and that the influence of the COVID Pandemic has drastically changed the way business is currently conducted. The current economic challenges in the country also are affecting the cost of almost everything including wages, services, and the cost of materials. The Board spent time reviewing the salaries offered to employees working in the town and found that the salaries were extremely low and were not keeping up with those in other area towns. While this adds additional cost that must be borne by town residents, the Board feels that it is necessary to be able to attract individuals to fill vital town vacancies and to keep present employees from leaving to accept better paid positions. The Board is recommending an overall five percent increase in the pay of town employees and several additional increases to bring them more in line with the services they provide and those of other towns. This is necessary for the efficient operation of the town given the annual additional state laws and guidelines municipalities must follow. Unfortunately, the state and federal government do not recognize the small size of the town when it comes to keeping in compliance with these requirements.

The Select Board also applied for and has currently received several grants to improve town policies, town buildings, and roads. Some have been completed while others are continuing. These include a \$70,000 grant to improve the culvert flow of water under Root Road (completed), a \$378,000 Three Town (Blandford, Chester, Middlefield) MVP Study of Dirt Roads and Beaver Activity to identify continuing problems and develop future solutions as climate change continues, a \$28,000 grant to update the town Hazardous Mitigation Plan and Create a Town Municipal Vulnerability Plan.

The Board has recently submitted applications for two grants as part of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts One Stop for Growth Program to fund major repair work at the Senior Center and replacement of asbestos containing flooring at the Town Hall. It is hoped the state will award the Town funding to assist with both projects in November of this year. Many of the grants unfortunately do not provide any funding to address specific town projects however many of the plans being completed are required by the state for municipalities to apply for grants offered by the state. The town is playing catch-up as many of these plans should have been addressed years ago. A grant for funding to replace the roofs on the highway department and fire station was not approved by the One Stop process for FY2022. As a result, the Town, following state procurement practices hired a state approved roofing contractor to make repairs to stop existing leaks in the hope of getting several more years out of both roofs.

To try and get the best investment possible for the town's financial reserves and working with the town attorney the Board has developed a new policy for the safe investment of town funds. This idea was initiated by former Select Board Chair, David DeNicola who communicated with the board about successful financial rewards his condominium association was having. The town surveyed other towns in Massachusetts and found that several of them have similar investment policies. This will allow the Town

working with it's Treasurer to invest in protected CDs and other funds to get the best possible interest rate possible. An article appears on the Warrant to secure approval for this policy

Below is a partial list of other initiatives undertaken by the Board. Some save the Town cost while others were deemed necessary to continue to meet the needs of the town

- Worked with Town residents to develop an Open Space plan for the Town
- Established Town Administrative Assistant position
- Reviewed and closed old town financial accounts
- Developed Town Administrator position

- Worked with Washington on contract between towns and contract for new potential TA.
- Published ad Interviewed 3 candidates. Offered two. No takers
- Two towns agreed to up the salary for the position, went to special town meeting for vote.
- In process of advertising position via Berkshire Planning Comm
- Worked with Carol Waag/Conservation and DCR to complete \$70,000 grant to develop a report and potential plans to replace root road culvert
- Received a grant for \$28,000 to undertake a year-long project to develop an MVP Plan and updated HMP Plan for the Town
- Worked with towns of Chester, Blandford, and PVPC to apply for a \$378,000 grant to study dirt roads, effect of climate change on the roads, and develop plans to address future concerns
- Changed Nursing Services from Berkshire County to Northampton Nursing for improved services and to reduce cost
- Worked with Town Architect to develop grant requests for the 2023 Commonwealth of MA One Stop Grant Program for 2023 to address structural and other needs at the Senior Center and to address asbestos flooring abatement issues at the Town Hall
- Worked with the town architect to develop a series of projects for future grants to address town needs at the Senior Center and Town Hall
- Repaired roofs at Highway Department and Fire Station
- Worked with Town Architect to survey town buildings and develop cost estimates for future needed capital repair projects
- Worked with Highway to pave, line the basketball court for pickle ball and basketball, and to pave Highway Dept drive
- Worked to develop a center park plan with park committee, paved handicapped spot for town park. Presented an article to Town to appropriate funds to develop the park
- Worked with Town attorney to develop a Town Investment Policy

- Purchased a new town police cruiser
- Enforced town bylaws regarding camping and illegal trailers on town property
- Worked to update survey and plans necessary to purchase land from Anita Myers to close old skyline town dump. Worked with engineers to update testing of dump site and sent results to Mass. DEP
- The Board is in process of undertaking a tax title review of ownership of the Middlefield Congregational Church building and land
- Worked with the Town Librarian to design and purchase a new sign for the town library and for its installation by highway department personnel
- Installed new lighting system and repaired town center flagpole
- Installed new solar speed limit signs

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT AND TO ALL OF THOSE WHO MAKE MIDDLEFIELD A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Ann Marie Visconti, Chair

**Tonya Santaniello** 

Curt D. Robie



# DUANE PEASE Retired Town Administrator

A resident not of the Town of Middlefield but an individual who gave a portion of his life to helping the Town of Middlefield function. Duane retired from a successful career in the insurance business but never ceased to work. Beside holding many positions in the Town of Chester government, Duane came to Middlefield to work in the role of part-time Town Administrator and did so for over twelve years. During that time, he worked closely with town officials, residents and state officials, to oversee the day-to-day operations of the Town. The Town wants to thank Duane for his service to the Town and wish him well as he embarks on new life challenges.

# 2023 Annual Report

#### **MARRIAGES**

Jaime Ma & Brendan Lee Cook

Notice of Intention to Marry April 16<sup>th</sup> 2022

Certificate of Marriage

May 28th 2022

Shaleighne Mary Hamel & Tyler James Main

Notice of Intention to Marry May 16th 2022

Shaleighne Mary Main & Tyler James Main

Certificate of Marriage

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022

Donald Christopher Trask & Karri Ann Snyder

Notice of Intention to Marry August 1st 2022

**Donald Christopher Trask & Karri Ann Trask** 

Certificate of Marriage

September24th 2022

Erin Richmond Judge & Weston Greely Holt Notice of Intention to Marry August 16<sup>th</sup>2022

Certificate of Marriage

August 27<sup>th</sup> 2022

Alan William Vint & Leanne Merritt Every

Notice of Intention to Marry August 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022

**Certificate of Marriage** 

September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022

Scott Charles Artioli & Sadi Inez Wittig

Notice of Intention to Marry August 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022

Scott Charles Artioli & Sadi Inez Artioli

Certificate of Marriage

September 17<sup>th</sup> 2022

Joey Dean Boud Jr & Rebeca Maria Nolasco

Notice of Intention to Marry August 29 2022

Joey Dean Boud Jr & Rebeca Maria Boud

Certificate of Marriage

October 8<sup>th</sup> 2022

Patrick Joseph Laughlin & Kimberly Ann Favre

Notice of Intention to Marry

December 15<sup>th</sup> 2022

#### **DEATHS**

**Tina Marie Cook** 

January 21st 2022

John Kozynoski

February 24th 2022

**Donald Martin** 

AKA Antony Devecchi

July 03rd 2022

Patrick Joseph Laughlin

December 17th 2022

**David Atwood Jenkins** 

February 1st 2023

**BIRTHS** 

Saint Daniel Suriner-Pierce

January 19th 2022

**DOG LICENSES** 

103 single dogs were licensed from January 1, 2022

1 Kennel license with seven dogs

Middlefield-Chester rabies clinic was held on March 23, 2023 at the driveway of the Middlefield Town Hall. 13 dogs and 3 cats from Middlefield and Chester were inoculated by the Hilltowns Veterinary Clinic, assisted by Animal Control Officer Terry Donovan. Licenses were available from Town Clerk Suzanne C. Lemieux and Assistant Lois Leonardo-Bell.

#### **CENSUS**

216 Households have responded to the Census. This is very important in Middlefield especially due to our rural delivery. Thank you to those who take the time out to return the annual census. Thank you Lois for all your hard work.

#### **ELECTIONS**

Town Caucus: 2022-04-06 4:00 to 8:00

Annual Town Meeting: 2022-05-07 Held at Middlefield Town Hall

**Annual Town Election**: 2022-05-14 8:00 to 12:00

Special Town Meetings: 2022-07-11 Town Administrator, 2022-03-26 Senior Center, 2022-09-14 Town

Administrator w/ Town of Washington State Primary: 2022-09-06 7:00 to 8:00 State Election: 2022-11-08 7:00 to 8:00

'Doing Business As' licenses: 4 DBA's filed

Suzanne C. Lemieux

Lois Leonardo-Bell

**Town Clerk** 

**Assistant Town Clerk** 

# **Town of Middlefield**

#### **Finance Committee**

# FY 2023 Annual Report

As the fiscal watchdog for a town on a tight budget, our work entails a critical review of competing needs. To that end, we have been meeting regularly with various entities to discuss their FY 2024 budget requests and future capital requirements.

This is an especially challenging year, as employees are slated to receive well-deserved cost of living increases, and the retirement of our town's administrative assistant potentially entails a major increase in administrative costs.

Several costly capital projects have been proposed, so coordination among them requires our scrutiny. For example, as the senior center is in a deteriorated state with limited accommodations for seniors and the museum, we must weigh alternate proposals to move these functions to the larger, underutilized church building, which, in turn, requires determination of relative costs, as well as the legal ownership of both the land and the building.

An ongoing project is to enhance the specificity of various budget items. For starters, we would like to break out the Maintenance of Public Buildings item in the annual town warrant to show the amounts to be allocated to particular buildings, including the town hall, senior center, and garage.

Other pressing concerns are federal and state population and median household income statistics, which appear wildly inaccurate, jeopardizing our ability to secure state grants and other financial support. Census population numbers are way less than those in our town clerk's list of residents, and there appears to have been an inordinate jump in the state's calculation of median household income.

Joseph Kearns, Chair Stephen Harris, Secretary Gita Jozsef Adair Laurel-Cafarella David DiNicola

# Board of Assessors Annual Report - 2022

÷ From Chair: Tamarin Laurel-Paine; Secretary: Ken Murray; Clerk & Member: Laura LaFreniere ÷

#### This past year:

Annual election in May 2022 resulted in newest member Ken Murray being elected to the remaining 2 years of term he'd been appointed to, when no candidates ran for Assessor in 2021. Laura Lafreniere was re-elected for another 3-year term. Helpfully, Massachusetts has now made the qualifying Assessing 101 Course available online, instead of requiring new Assessors to have a week free for driving to an in-person class and test.

Previous cases filed by taxpayers with the Appellate Tax Board (ATB) for FY21 & FY22 were resolved in the Town's favor by ATB decision in December 2022. This followed two ATB hearings the Assessors 'attended' by zoom: one for a hearing on a Motion filed by the Assessors, and then for the case –defending the original property valuation. These were handled by the Assessors successfully, without expenditure on Town Counsel.

Meanwhile, NStar (Eversource) continues to appeal Middlefield's valuation of their property, every year since the State DOR directed Assessors to use a higher valuation method. No schedule has been set for an ATB hearing on those pending cases.

Valuations: Every year, the Assessors do a Sales Analysis Report of recent Real Estate sales. Lately, there has been a strong upward trend in sale prices. The DOR requires a minimum of 10 valid house sales, which for our small market usually means a 2-year look-back period for this report. That means our reports can be slow to reflect a downturn in the market, so we implement global valuation changes conservatively. The global change to our valuation table meant a 3.48% increase in building value in FY21, and a 3.33% increase for FY22. When the value of town real estate goes up, the tax rate goes down –IF the Tax Levy remains the same. Increases in taxes comes from Town Meeting votes, not from global changes in town valuation.

# Assessing statistics for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 (which runs July 2021-June 2022):

\*Tax Rate: \$17.79 \*\*Tax Levy: 1,290,628 \*\*\*Town Value (in 1000s): \$72,547.944 (\*Rate = Levy/Town Value. \*\*Levy = Budget votes minus other funds & revenues \*\*\*= \$1 on the tax rate.)

## Growth in tax base vs growth in Town Expenditures:

New Growth for FY22 resulted in new tax dollars of \$7,716. vs the increase in tax levy of \$40,441 more in tax dollars required. Typically, new tax base does not keep up with Tax Levy increases. The Tax Levy results from the Town Meeting budget votes.

#### Multi-Year Table of Levy, divided by Town Valuation in 1000s = Tax rate:

	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
Tax Levy	1,211,425	1,231,887	1,250,187	1,290,628	1,259,914
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<b>Town Value</b>	67,226,701	67,169,394	70,632,041	72,547,944	76,127,709
=Tax Rate	\$18.02	\$18.34	\$17.70	\$17.79	\$16.55
\$ Levy incrs	\$11,186	\$20,462	\$18,300	\$40,441	-\$30,714

Note: School part of budget \$486,778 \$387,592 \$330,085

If the Gateway Regional School assessment had not been decreasing by large amounts, the Tax Levy increase would have been significantly different.



#### **BUILDING COMMISSIONOR**

#### **TOWN REPORT**

There were 57 permits pulled during 2022.

The breakdown of that number is as follows:

		Fees Collected
Building:	28	\$8,988.00
Commercial:	0	\$0.00
Electrical:	15	\$1,500.00
Plumbing:	4	\$250.00
Gas:	7	\$350.00
Certificate of	0	\$0.00
Occupancy:		
Certificate of	0	\$0.00
Inspection:		
Solid Fuel Burning:	0	\$0.00
Tent:	3	\$90.00

Fees were paid with all the possible methods including: Unibank Online, Check, and Cash with no fee waived for a total collection of \$11,188.00.

I would like to thank the Town of Middlefield for the opportunity to continue to be of service. I would like to thank Gary Danko, Assistant Building Inspector, Eric Main, Wiring Inspector, Al Sirard, Assistant Wiring Inspector, and William Ziegler, Gas and Plumbing inspector for their service to the Town as well.

Respectfully Submitted, William E. Girard Building Commissioner

## **Report of the Town Collector**

#### 7/1/21 to 6/30/22

#### 413-623-5182 taxcollector@middlefieldma.net

In Middlefield, the tax rate for fiscal year 2022 was \$17.79 per thousand dollars of assessed value. This represents an increase of .09 cents from the prior fiscal year. The assessors are responsible for setting the property values in Middlefield with approval from the state Department of Revenue. It is an exhaustive process to set the tax rate and values every year. When the actual tax bills come out at the end of December you should be mindful that you have until February 1<sup>st</sup> of the current fiscal year to apply for an abatement. The tax collector position is only to collect the tax due. All other questions should be addressed to the assessing department.

You may be able to reduce your overall tax obligation. Veteran's exemptions and exemptions for the legally blind, elderly are available to qualifying residents. Please discuss with the assessing department to see if you qualify. Various application are available online at the Assessors town web page, or on the wall outside of the office. The senior work off program allows you to work for tax credits as well in lieu of monetary payments. This is also overseen by the assessing department.

Don't forget about UNIPAY Gold online payment service. Take advantage of this secure website that offers you the opportunity to pay taxes at your convenience at home or away. This service is only for Real Estate and Personal property taxes. MOTOR VEHICLE TAX may not be paid through Unibank.

The Town Collector's office continues to encourage tax payers to send in their stubs along with their payments to assure all payments are being properly posted to the correct account. I ask that when you write your checks out you make sure they are signed, dated and the written amount ='s the numerical amount. All checks not completed property will be sent back to the tax payer. Payment Plans are available to those who are struggling. Call the office to set up a plan.

MOTOR VEHICLE tax collections continue to be a problem. It is up to the registered owner to make sure their information is correct at the registry. The tax collector will no longer search for proper mailing addresses of the residents when mailing out bills. The process at the registry is 2-fold, where does your vehicle sleep at night and where do your get your mail. Please verify. Everyone knows they get a bill every year for the pleasure of driving on the roads, this is separate from the sales tax you pay when you purchase a vehicle. If you do not get a bill and you should call the office or send an email. It is up to the vehicle owner to handle all the issues with regards to their cars. The registry does not communicate with local taxing authorities.

The Tax Collectors figures are posted in the financial section of this report by the accounting office.

As usual this office would like to thank those who continue to pay their bills as received and encourage those who are not making payments to do so.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Ann Pease

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MIDDLEFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Library continues to provide free materials to the people of Middlefield.

We continue to work towards joining the CW Mars network. Once we join, residents will have access to EBooks and any book in the CW Mars collection can be picked up in Middlefield once ordered through Inter Library Loan. Our new library cards will also give you access to the Boston Public Library Digital Collection. Feel free to stop by the library for a visit to find out how our work towards this is going.

The Library has continued with its "Thursday at the Library" meeting opportunity. Interested people come to the Library to learn different crafts, visit and review the Library's new acquisitions.

In the Spring-Fall time frame, when we can safely meet in larger groups; our Lunch at the Library Program will begin. I hope to see you there!

We are glad to visit and share a cup of tea or coffee while you examine our collection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois Leonardo-Bell

# 2022 Report of the Middlefield Cultural Council

The Massachusetts House Ways and Means appropriated \$25 million to enhance the cultural accessibility of its residents for 2023. The Middlefield Cultural Council continues to grant and provide funding assistance for several events and activities beneficial to our town residents and area neighbors.

In the 2022 grant year our council received \$5500 and granted funding to benefit or assist the following: Gateway music students with two music presentations, the Middlefield Fair with entertainment consisting of music, comedy, animal venues and other educational activities, the Middlefield Council on Aging with miscellaneous activities for its seniors, Middlefield Days for its annual event and other area activities including Littleville Fair, North Hall and the Becket Arts Series.

With the end of the pandemic there will be more opportunities for our residents to participate in cultural events throughout the area. Our neighboring towns have also granted funds for other events. Please patronize their efforts as well. The Middlefield Cultural Council has granted funds to Gateway for a Mass MOCA field trip and a music guest series, the Middlefield Fair for several entertainment activities; the Middlefield Council on Aging for a movie night and a quilting class; North Hall in Huntington for its music series; Creative Movement & Body Language for Hilltown Families in Huntington; two hands on projects with a local artisan and the Middlefield Days annual event.

The 2024 application period begins in September and ends mid-October. Anyone can apply for funding to sponsor a cultural, educational or creative learning project. We receive many applications and make our decisions based on what we feel is most advantageous to Middlefield residents. New members are always welcome to assist with grant decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

#### **Council members:**

Larry Pease, Charlene Gero, Susan Schneller, Donald Doyle, Chris Ciosek, Sharon Barry, Andy Tosi Cummings, treasurer and Eleanor Doyle, chairperson

# Historical Commission – Input for the Annual Town Report 21 March 2023

The Historical Commission celebrates its 50th Anniversary this year. We pre-date the COA by twelve years at the old school and town hall. We have created a short history of our organization with selected excerpts from the many Annual Town Reports. This electronic only history is available on the Town's web site.

This year we have collected 130 of the 136 known yearly Town Reports. These present a unique town history. Thanks to the library for contributing their spare inventory. Digitization is on-going.

Guessing at the next 50 years, we see adding audio-visual displays to explain our collections in relation to the town's history. This would be an attractive addition to our static displays. If the church was made available as a museum, there would be room to display our now hidden quilt and other collections in a handicapped accessible venue.

Many of our patrons are at a distance. Covid has greatly diminished in person visits. Digitizing our image and document collections makes them universally available and protects them from fire or theft.

The following examination gives some sense of the massive holdings and potential of even a small country museum like Middlefield's. The estimated median count of various museum and town records and images is 23,000. Of those, about 10,000 have already been digitized.

- The 1982 microfilmed town records were digitized due to microfilm and microfilm readers becoming obsolete. 3,000 pages were converted to PDF and image formats by the Northeast Document Conservation Center.
- 2. The Cemetery Commission's paper records were digitized including three large plot maps. About 1,100 pages and images are digitally archived. It is about time to update these records as protection and backup for the paper-based records.
- 3. The Lillian Savery (1897-1987) collection was converted to digital. Thank you to the Rod Savery family for access. About 1,100 images and documents are archived. Lillian's diaries give a unique picture of 1920 Middlefield
- 4. A collection of account books and ledgers at the museum were digitized. A complete 1897 store inventory with wholesale prices was found. About 700 pages were processed.
- 5. The Town Annual Reports are being scanned to a PDF format. About 4,000 pages have been completed and there are about 4,000 more to be digitized. The mid 1980 and later reports are on the town's web site.
- 6. There are two hordes of 19th century secondary town documents. One might be in the Clerk's closet and a second box is at the museum. Many of the documents are folded and must be conserved before individual scanning can be under taken. There are 2,000 to 3,000 odd sized documents to be scanned, categorized and inventoried.
- 7. The museum's image and document collections are being organized for scanning. It is estimated that there are 5,000 8,000 items and pages to be scanned. A new record management and inventory system is being developed.

Respectfully submitted,
The Middlefield Historical Commission

# Middlefield Police Department

The Middlefield Police continue to serve the residents of the Town of Middlefield, Chief Jenny Dion and three officers. Officer Michael Marcus, Tonya Santaniello, and Alex Seid are currently serving in the department. The police department answers calls from Berkshire County Dispatch. The Department responds to local emergencies as well as providing 16 hours of patrol/radar per week.

This past fiscal year has been busier than the previous, we have received 88 calls for service starting from July 1st to the beginning of April. The new police cruiser should be ready in the next couple of weeks, and the department also purchased a handheld radar gun and two trauma kits, one for each cruiser. There are two officers currently enrolled in the Bridge Academy and will be completing 280 hours of training on top of the training hours that are required yearly.

The Police Department would like to thank the town residents for their continued support. The department would also like to thank the Selectboard, Highway Department, and the Fire Department for their continued support and assistance. The Police Department would also like to thank the Massachusetts State Police and the Troopers at the Russell Barracks (B5) for their service and support to the Town of Middlefield.

Thank you,

Chief J. Dion

# 2022 Fire Department Report

In 2022, we had 29 calls. Our membership remains strong. We continue to have our Tuesday night meetings for our weekly trainings.

Some of our members gathered at the fire house for our annual giving out candy on trick or treat night. We enjoy seeing everyone in their costumes. We also participated in Middlefield days, with a display of our fire gear, as well as a couple of our fire trucks out for everyone to be able to climb in to get a closer look (kids loved sitting in the trucks). Hinsdale volunteered their time to come up with their ambulance to have on display with our trucks. Many folks had questions about how our trucks operate to fight fighters, as well as questions to Hinsdale's department about the equipment on the ambulance.

Two mutual aid calls to the Town of Becket, one was a brush fire that our department responded with five pieces of apparatus and seventeen of our volunteer members. The other call was to respond to a fire alarm when Becket was out on another call.

Two lost person calls, one winter night below zero temperatures, a truck parked overnight with one set of tracks going in the woods. As we were assembling our members for a search the gentleman walked out of woods. The second call was a lost hunter that had been in the woods all day. Deep snow-covered conditions, cold. Our

chief went directly to the scene to meet the state police, as members were being assembled at the fire station with the side by side and a few personal snowmobiles. Middlefield police were dispatched to the scene as well. The gentleman saw off to a distance a outside light on and walked out. The assembled crew responded to the scene and provided care. Both incidents had great outcomes.

Two members of the department wrote and applied for a grant for a firefighting safety equipment grant and the department was awarded \$7500.00 to purchase a new thermal imagining camera, (this is used to detect heat in the walls by showing hot spots, also can be used in searching for a missing person with detecting body heat).

We had several small mechanical problems with a couple of our fire trucks. All of which were fixed by members in house saving us from hiring outside mechanics.

As always, I would like to thank all our members for their time and dedication. I know some of our calls are long hours, pagers going off all hours of the day, all weather conditions and when we leave the scene, we still have time at the station getting what needs to be done to put our trucks back in service. Like cleaning equipment that was used, restocking our jump bags, refilling the tankers with water. I appreciate all your hard work for our community and fire department. It is an honor having all of you as members of the Middlefield volunteer fire department.

CALLS:

Medical- 19

Accident- 2

Lost Person- 2

Stand by our station- 2

Mutual Aid- 3

Chimney- 1

# **Highway Department 2022 Annual Report**

The Highway Department entered into a Dirt Roads Grant with the Towns of Chester and Blandford this past year. This grant will give each Town a few culvert designs, a beaver study, and guidance for dirt roads. We are hoping this will help increase the Town's chance to get approved for future grants to improve the dirt roads.

We had a moderate winter this year, which required the department to deal with mud on the dirt roads a few times. Although it was a moderate winter, we did have a few bigger snowstorms. The first storm of the season and the last storm of the season caused a lot of tree damage. Although there was significant tree damage the Town was notified by FEMA that there would be no Federal funding money to assist the Town's with storm clean-up. The department is starting the process of clean-up now.

You will be noticing some new faces on the Highway Department this Spring. Gary Best was hired and started on May 10<sup>th</sup>. He will be replacing Chase Carrington, who left in January to work for Mass Highway. Also, after over 20 years of service to the Town, Matt Radwich will be leaving to work for Verizon in May. Matt has been a very dedicated town employee who also served in the Police & Fire Departments for many years. I wish them both well with their new jobs.

Thank you for your support of the Highway Department.

Skip Savery

### April 18, 2023

Town of Middlefield Zoning Board of Appeals ("ZBA") Annual Town Report – 2022-2023 term

The 2022-2023 term began with the swearing in of the three members Maureen Sullivan, Sherri Venditti, and Mary Courtney. Maureen Sullivan agreed to continue as secretary and Mary Courtney agreed to continue as chairperson, motions were made, seconded and vote was taken on both positions, and both passed. Each member accepting the Selectboard appointments for another term. A motion was made, and vote taken on both nominations and unanimously passed without opposition. Suzanne Lemieux was asked to continue as the boards clerk, for which she agreed, motion was made, vote was taken and passed.

During the 2022-2023 year the ZBA was available to meet quarterly in person. There was one informal inquiry in the community as to the existence of a variance granted for parcel 80.15 at 0 Chester Road. in 2006. It was represented that a variance allowing for a driveway with less than the required setback to the neighboring property may have been sought. No documentation of any such variance was able to be located.

Ultimately, a driveway was not installed, therefore any potential variance would have lapsed by the passage of time, and would no longer be valid, if any such variance had been granted which was not able to be confirmed. See section 6.5.4 of the Middlefield Zoning Bylaws.

The board and clerk Lemieux have continued to work diligently to review, approve and upload board minutes on the town website for the benefit of town residents. The boards continued thanks go out to Suzanne Lemieux for assisting the board in remaining current with minutes, mail and general organization. Our last meeting was held on July 22<sup>nd</sup> to review prior minutes.

On-going goals for 2023-2024 year:

- · Maintaining a full board and election of officers
- Prioritizing functioning ZBA email
- Clarification of Building Permit/ZBA application process in coordination with the Building Commissioner and all board
- Uploading of M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Sec 6 Findings as it relates to existing structures, uses or permits on the town website.
- Level funding for ZBA budget is requested again this year.
- Continued Review of permit application fees and associated costs
- Continued Level funding of application fees

Respectfully Submitted, Town of Middlefield Zoning Board of Appeals

Mary Courtney – Chair

Maureen Sullivan – member and secretary

Sherri Venditti – member

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# Middlefield Planning Board

The Planning Board has spent the last year reviewing and redefining zoning bylaws for confirming residences, accessory buildings, camping and home-based businesses. We had 24 scheduled meetings reviewing, researching, and refining these zoning bylaws. Our concerns are clarifying wording such that future boards do not have a different interpretation from year to year. We are planning a public hearing around September of 2023 for public input and response from residents for proposed amendments. We will review public responses, make adjustments, and bring the zoning revisions to vote before the end of the year.

The goals of proposed revisions are to make the zoning by-laws more user-friendly, clear, and more accommodating to a wider range of enterprises while allowing the town to maintain and enhance infrastructure, character of the town, and consider residents' expressed wants and needs.

Another review and research done by the Planning Board was variance applications procedures. Our town has a one board review for variance applications. Our research indicates the majority of towns that have a zoning application go first to the Planning Board and if denied appeals go to the Zoning Board.

The current board members are Doreen Black, Cam McNeil, Michael Hitchcock, Nicole Fecteau, Diann Thone

**Animal Control and Inspector of Animals report** 

Middlefield July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

26 "barn" visits were made in the fall of 2021

The purpose is to document ownership of each animal, providing the Mass Dept of Agricultural Resources with data for response planning in an emergency. It is also to check the health and wellbeing of the livestock.

1 Home kennel were inspected prior to licensure.

Calls to ACO were as follows:

- 1- abandoned livestock complaint
- 4-dog "at large"
- 1-dog Bite

- 2-possible neglect
- 5-wildlife calls
- 3- nuisance/barking dog
- 2- misc calls
- 3- stray pick up
- 2- dog quarantine

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Terry Donovan ACO/Animal Inspector



# Town of Middlefield Conservation Commission Annual Report

The Middlefield Conservation Commission is here to help Middlefield residents conform to the requirements of the Wetlands Protection Act. We are the official agency charged with the protection of the land, water, and biological resources of the community. The commission also advises other town officials and boards on conservation issues that relate to their areas of responsibility. We are charged with protecting the eight interests of the Wetlands Protection Act: private and public water supplies, ground water, pollution prevention, flood prevention, storm damage protection, and protection of land containing wildlife, shellfish and fisheries.

We were able to meet exclusively in person this year. The Commission conducted 5 site visits, and numerous site wetlands reviews. We conducted one public hearing, related to a complaint received by MassDEP concerning a driveway that had been constructed illegally over a stream. The violators were ultimately required to hire a wetlands specialist and to make modifications. If you plan any work in or close to a wet area, please come first to the Conservation Commission to discuss it. We can help you determine the best way to proceed and avoid costly mistakes.

Middlefield Conservation Commission members are volunteers appointed by the Select Board, with the Commission playing a supporting role in the choice of candidates. The Commission has 5 members and 1 alternate. Terms are three years in length. Present members are: Carol Waag, Mitch Feldmesser, Wayne Main, David Fuller, Barry Bernard and Chris Bresnahan. We encourage all our members to complete the fundamentals training course for conservation commissioners. The commission considers this essential training so that we will be able to carry out our duties in an effective and legal manner. Three members have completed the training and received their certificates.

The Commission is currently meeting at 7 PM on the second Wednesday of every month at the Town Hall. However this is can be subject to change, so please check the town website calendar, town postings (2 days before the meeting) or email us to confirm meeting times. conservation@middlefieldma.net

### MIDDLEFIELD COUNCIL ON AGING

The goals of the COA are to provide programs and activities to support and entertain our rapidly growing number of Seniors. We also support events that will benefit all generations in the community. The Senior Center offers a welcoming public location to host various gatherings for our Townspeople to utilize.

## Weekly events include:

- The Senior Center is open from 10-1:30 every Wednesday. Gathering time in the morning offers various activities and plenty of time to visit.
- Lunch is served every Wednesday. Reservations are needed by Monday by calling 623-9990. "To go" meals are still being offered, but the Center is now open for dining and conversation.
- Brown Bag pick-up site
- Library returns on Wednesdays

#### Workshops and events held this year:

- Flu Clinic
- Quarterly Foot Clinic
- Monthly Bingo
- Monthly Blood Pressure clinic provided by the HCHC
- Quilting Classes
- "Salt for seniors" was organized with the Fire Department.
- SHAEC computer and cell phone classes
- Birthday celebrations
- Hilltown Community Center Director Kim Savery
- Lunch & Learn from Highland Valley

#### **Improvements:**

Our "Give and Take" food pantry is growing and is now open 24/7 to help serve the needs of our population. Many people from our community have helped with donating food, entertainment and safety items. We thank you all for your help and support.

Our COA has been lucky to be the recipient of countless volunteer hours. We are also thankful for the support from our Town for its continued support through appropriated funds which greatly aid the COA's efforts to serve our Town.

Respectfully,

Judith Hoag, Chairperson

Suzanne C. Lemieux, Director

# **Annual Town Technology Report**

This is a year of big changes in Town Technology.

First, many thanks to Stephen Harris for all of his many years working on all thing's website, email, networking and computer!

#### **Town Email**

People who serve in elected and appointed positions in town have email at middlefieldma.net. This year we moved the email service to a new provider. We are seeing some great improvements in the ability of our emails to go through without bouncing, and reduction in spam received.

#### The Town Website

We have also launched a new town website! The information on the website is reorganized with the needs of residents in mind. This redesign makes it much easier to use on your phone, tablet, or widescreen monitor. It also complies with Web Accessibility guidelines required by the ADA.

The website includes access to our powerful, customized geographic information system (GIS). Selection and editing tools make it easy for users to create, edit, query and share geographic content.

This site is securely hosted on Dreamhost, using WordPress for content management, WordFence for security, and DreamObjects for backup.

#### **Town Hall Computers**

This coming year we will review and improve the virus protection on the town hall computers. The Backblaze cloud backup & recovery service is in place to provide continuous real-time backup for all critical computers.

#### Town AV

The laptop makes it easy to operate the AV system in the Town Hall auditorium. The flat screen TV in the town hall entry can display notices and videos.

#### The Town Hall Network

This coming year we will also review the town hall network setup and see if any improvements are needed. We have an open, public network for library and general use, and a separate, secure network for official town business. Network security is provided by our multi-port Netgate SG-3100 appliance

#### **CodeRED Emergency Notification**

The CodeRED system from the Emergency Communication Network continues to operate. Please sign up!
Respectfully submitted,

Catya Belfer tech@middlefieldma.net

## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Local boards of health in Massachusetts are required by state law to perform many important duties relative to the protection of the public health, control of disease, promotion of sanitary living conditions and the protection of the environment from pollution.

The Select Board functions as the town Board of Health in Middlefield and meets as needed. The Board of Health office at Town Hall is open by appointment. If you would like to review any septic plans on file please contact the Town Administrator.

The Town contracts with the Berkshire Public Health Alliance for a part-time Health Agent to act on behalf of the Board of Health who is responsible for field work and enforcement of state and local regulations. This includes performing housing inspections, reviewing designs for the construction and repair of septic systems, issuing permits for private wells and witnessing percolation testing for septic systems as well as many other duties.

In 2022 the BOH witnessed 3 perc tests for proposed new septic systems and issued 7 septic construction permits. We also performed 2 septic plan reviews, 2 food inspections and issued 4 well permits.

Submitted by:

Health Agent Edward Fahey, RS

Email: inspectors@berkshireplanning.org

Phone: 413-442-1521 ext. 60

# Wild & Scenic Westfield River Committee 2022 Annual Report

Over seventy miles of the Westfield River and tributary streams received the federal designation of Wild & Scenic in recognition of the outstanding natural resources, history and free flowing waters of the River. The Wild & Scenic Westfield River Committee was convened to celebrate and advance activities to preserve, protect, and enhance the special qualities and outstanding natural resources of the Westfield River. The Committee has appointed representatives and alternates from the ten Wild & Scenic communities of Becket, Chester, Chesterfield, Cummington, Huntington, Middlefield, Savoy, Washington, Windsor and Worthington plus partners including the National Park Service, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Westfield River Watershed Association and Berkshire Regional Planning Commission. Project funding is provided through the National Park Service's Partnership Wild & Scenic Rivers Program.

A recent updating of the River's Stewardship and Conservation Plan refined the Committee's four priority work areas. Activities and projects focus on the following desired outcomes:

- protecting and enhancing cold water habitat, the most extensive in the state,
- improving free flowing characteristics impacted by dams and inadequate stream-road crossings,
- managing invasive species to protect high-quality riparian habitat and
- continuing to engage, educate and assist citizens and towns to be river stewards.

In 2022 the Committee focused heavily on invasive species and stream connectivity. The Committee conducted a pilot a few years ago to help our Wild & Scenic towns upgrade five undersized and failing stream-road crossings to: allow the river to flow freely, allow fish to pass easily upstream and down, to facilitate safe passage for animals along river banks, and have a properly sized crossing to accommodate floods. The pilot was a success with three of the crossing constructed with grant funding, one will be installed next summer and the fifth crossing in final design and permitting. The second phase of this initiative started this year. Nine of our ten Wild & Scenic communities signed on to participate selecting their priority road crossing from a list provided by the Committee. Under the agreement, the Committee funds and manages all the work. The towns will be provided with plans of existing site conditions, a concept design for an upgraded culvert with appropriate green infrastructure and a technical report with needed supporting data. The Committee and consultant are also working to prepare a grant application for each of the nine crossings that will allow the towns to pursue additional grant money to fund the next phase of the project.

Stream connectivity activities also included liaising with the Army Corps of Engineers to inspect newly upgraded crossings and the culverts now under study. The town of Washington requested and was awarded a Wild & Scenic Community Grant to allow the completion of the final design and permitting on a failing culvert. The grant allowed the town to avoid forfeiting time constrained construction funding from the state. The Committee also provided Other Community Grants awarded this year included funds to the Westfield River Watershed Association to support the Wild Water Race this spring, the town of Middlefield to address invasive knotweed at a crossing being upgraded, Highland Foot Path for legal research to secure a right-of-way for the trail and the Hilltown Land Trust to cover the costs of a two-day Vernal Pool Certification Workshop.

The Committee's invasive management efforts are expanding. We continued to tackle select infestations, mapping locations and types of invasives along priority streams, and began a research initiative to determine the effectiveness of treatment methods. Invasives species are introduced plants and animals causing disruption to natural communities. Some plants can even clog streams causing localized flooding. Much of the invasive work was accomplished by our three paid summer interns, one of whom enjoyed lodging with a generous Middlefield resident. Under the direction of our Outreach Coordinator, the students enjoyed extensive training before establishing several test plots to systematically test the effectiveness of different knotweed removal techniques. Each student had a special project to map invasives at all nine of the road-stream upgrade sites. The interns also continued tracking native bees as part of a long term pollinator project and helped with community events including assisting children to make their own fish prints at Chester-on-Track.

Our Outreach Coordinator continues a range of activities to assist Wild & Scenic towns, watershed residents and partners. Education is a big part of the job and includes visits to the river to introduce children to river insects, producing informative and entertaining videos (available on the Wild & Scenic website) and helping partner

organizations with their programs. Work days to clean-up and repair trails and scenic vistas have resumed after a two year pandemic hiatus. Our Coordinator also helped with the Vernal Pool Workshop, the Wild Water Race and the Highlands Foot Path initiative.

The Committee is in the process of updating its website to offer visitors more resources in a user friendly format. Look for its official launch this summer. The Committee was honored to award the Robert Thompson Stewardship Award to our long time web master and Huntington resident Steve Hamlin. Steve has been a great friend to the Westfield River and the Committee. The Committee also celebrated the work of the interns at the Remarkable River Potluck in October. Two of the interns presented on their work through the summer to a receptive and appreciative audience.

Our committee meets monthly and all meetings are open to the public. We encourage you to take find out more about the Westfield River and the Committee. To learn more about what is happening in the watershed, visit our website at <a href="https://www.wildscenicwestfieldriver.org">www.wildscenicwestfieldriver.org</a> or me, your town's representative. If you would be interested in serving on the Committee please let me know, or contact westfieldrivercommittee@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Waag carolewaag@gmail.com

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT**

Now that an end to the Covid-19 pandemic-related emergency has been declared, the focus of the town's Emergency Management has been on weather related situations.

This office as usual partners with Police, Fire and the Selectboard to keep the community safe.

CodeRed notices were sent out to update the community on the latest weather-related issues that affected the functioning of the town. This system remains at the same cost of \$1750 yearly. Please sign up for CodeRed if you have not done so.

It is helpful to also check General Notifications along with Emergency Notifications. The sign up for CodeRed is on the town's website <a href="http://middlefieldma.net">http://middlefieldma.net</a>.

MEMA (Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency) did continue to provide support such as regular communication on weather emergency notifications and offered support as needed

This year's EMPG grant for \$2500 provided the town with mobile and compact Mobilize Rescue Systems (medical kits) to be used in emergency situations.

Ann Marie Visconti

# Emergency Service Director Crystal Kruszyna 4/13/2023

As always it has been my pleasure to serve the town of Middlefield Ma.as their Emergency Service Director. This position can be defined as a "learn as you go" position. Working closely with Middlefield Fire Chief, Ronald Radwich, we have strengthened our medical response knowledge, response time, and collaboration with mutual aid entities. As training needs and updates cycle through the EMS/fire department classes have been scheduled to keep our members up-to-date on protocols.

Currently, a focus is to update our towns Emergency Service Zone plan. The current plan has been found to be vague and greatly outdated requiring quick attention to ensure the town of Middlefield, Ma. has established adequate medical response and appropriate medical coverage to support it's residence.

Thank you to the Select board members for this opportunity to serve as the town of Middlefield's EMS Director.

Crystal Kruszyna



## Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Hampshire, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Middlefield in the County of Hampshire

**GREETINGS:** In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at the Middlefield Town Hall, and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To act upon the reports of the Selectboard, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Assessors, and other elected or appointed officers or committees of the Town.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the salaries and compensation of elected officers; or take any other action relative thereto:

			FY 2023	
	FY 2022 Adopted	Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Moderator	100	100	100	100
Assessors, Chair	3,960	3,420	3,420	3,420
Assessors, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Member	3,900	3,360	3,360	3,360
Assessors, 3rd Member	1,740	3,360	3,360	3,360
Town Clerk	6,700	7,035	7,035	7,035
Selectboard, Chair	2,500	2,275	2,275	2,275
Selectboard, Member	2,000	2,275	2,275	2,275
Selectboard, Member	2,000	2,275	2,275	2,275
Constable 1st	100	100	100	100
Constable 2 <sup>nd</sup>	100	100	100	100
Total	23,100	24,300	24,300	24,300

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the salaries and compensation of appointed staff; or take any other action relative thereto:

			FY 2023	Train Francisco
	FY 2022 Adopted	Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Treasurer	10,812	11,353	11,353	11,353
Town Accountant	10,812	11,352	11,352	11,352
Tax Collector	10,812	11,352	11,352	11,352
Town Administrator	17,000	17,000	17,000	17,000
Recording Secretary	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200
Asst. Town Clerk	2,040	2,142	2,142	2,142
Assessors' Clerk	7,000	7,350	7,350	7,350
Town Building Custodian	5,100	5,300	5,300	5,300
Town Maintenance Technician	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Total	68,776	71,049	71,049	71,049

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for General Government; or take any other action relative thereto:

	FY 2022 Adopted		FY 2023	
		Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Town Counsel	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Election & Registration	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Maintenance of Public Buildings	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Insurance and Bonds	45,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Social Security/Town share	4,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Total	108,000	115,000	115,000	115,000

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for the Expense Accounts; or take any other action relative thereto:

			FY 2023	50. 30 (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)
	FY 2022		FinCom	SB
	Adopted	Requested	Recommends	Recommends
Selectboard Expense	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Printing Expense	1,200	1,000	1,000	1,000
Copier Expense	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Town Accountant Expense	740	800	800	800
Assessors Expense	3,000	2,600	2,600	2,600
Tax Map Update	1,000	1,100	1,100	1,100
Assessors Software/Support	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750
Assessors' Revaluation	2,500	2,760	2,760	2,760
Assessors' Utility Appraisal	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400
Treasurer Expense	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Treas. Tax Title & Legal Fees	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Treasurer/Acct Software Support	8,000	8,200	8,200	8,200
Payroll Software Support	2,500	2,700	2,700	2,700
Tax Collector Expense	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800
TC Tax Title & Legal Fees	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
QDS Revenue Collection App		2,367	2,367	2,367
Town Clerk Expense	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Planning Board Expense	500	1,000	1,000	1,000
Communication Comm. Exp.	300	0:	0	0
Website/Technology Support	5,529	5,000	5,000	5,000
Hosting for Website & WebGIS	0	2,800	2,800	2,800
Conservation Comm. Exp.	500	500	500	500
Zoning Board Expense	500	500	500	500
Constable Expense	150	150	150	150
Total	51,869	56,927	56,927	56,927

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**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for the Highways; or take any other action relative thereto:

*.	FY 2022 Adopted		FY 2023	
		Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Highway Department Wages	163,000	168,000	168,000	168,000
Holidays	7,413	7,800	7,800	7,800
Vacations	9,622	10,200	10,200	10,200
Sick Days	6,843	7,200	7,200	7,200
Unemployment Insurance	500	500	500	500
Hampshire County Retirement	58,827	58,827	58,827	58,827
Health Insurance	42,500	42,500	42,500	42,500
Fuel	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Snow Removal	65,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Highway Maintenance	45,000	48,000	48,000	48,000
Unpaved Roads Material	35,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
Machinery Maintenance	30,000	32,000	32,000	32,000
Street Lights	500	500	500	500
War Memorials/Playground	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Bidding Services	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700
Total	507,905	531,227	531,227	531,227

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money to the Library, Veterans and Cemetery Accounts; or take any other action relative thereto:

	FY 2022 Adopted		FY 2023	
		Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Librarian Salary	7,036	7,200	7,200	7,200
Library Expense	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200
Veterans Agent Service	2,603	1,905	1,905	1,905
Veterans' Benefits	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Cemetery Expense	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Cemetery tree removal	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Total	19,839	19,305	19,305	19,305

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for Protection of Persons & Property Accounts; or take any other action relative thereto:

	Ē		FY 2023	
	FY 2022 Adopted	Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Police Chief's Salary	15,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Police Dept. Operating Expense	10,200	28,800	28,800	28,800
Police Officers' Compensation	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
Police Officers' Training	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Cruiser Maintenance	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Regional Lockup	495	0	0	0
CodeRED Notification System	1,500	1,750	1,750	1,750
EMS Service	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
EMS Education	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
Fire Chief/Forest Warden Salary	500	500	500	500
Fire Dept. Operating Expense	8,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Fire Dept. Inspector Salary	300	300	300	300
Dispatch Service	9,412	9,694	9,694	9,694
Forest Fire	10	10	10	10
Emergency Mgmt. Expense	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Bldg. Commissioner Comp.	9,600	9,600	9,600	9,600
Bldg. Commissioner Expense	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Asst. Electrical Inspector Salary	100	100	100	100
Animal Control Officer's Salary	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Animal Control Officer's Exp.	700	700	700	700
Insect Pest Control Expense	100	100	100	100
Animal Inspector Salary	750	750	750	750
Animal Inspector Expense	400	400	400	400
Board of Health Agent Comp.	5,000	5,100	5,100	5,100
Board of Health Expense	300	1,250	1,250	1,250
Total	95,467	122,154	122,154	122,154

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**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of money to establish a Reserve Fund to provide for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures, as provided by M.G.L. Chapter 40, section 6, as amended; or take any other action in relation thereto:

	FY 2023			
	FY 2022		FinCom	SB
	Adopted	Requested	Recommends	Recommends
Reserve Fund	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for Health & Sanitation; or take any other action relative thereto:

	FY 2022 Adopted		FY 2023	
		Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Ambulance	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Hilltown Resource Management	2,968	3,300	3,300	3,300
Disposal Area	26,000	34,000	34,000	34,000
Visiting Nurse	2,625	2,400	2,400	2,400
Total	33,593	41,700	41,700	41,700

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for the Miscellaneous Accounts; or take any other action relative thereto:

	FY 2022 Adopted		FY 2023	iddin daile a s
		Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Council on Aging Expense	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Historical Commission Expense	300	300	300	300
Historical Document Committee	250	250	250	250
Pioneer Valley Planning	100	350	350	350
Recreation Committee Expense	750	750	750	750
Agricultural Commission Exp.	100	100	100	100
Total	8,500	8,750	8,750	8,750

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to approve to replace the current Gateway Statutory Assessment of \$330,085 in Article 14 with an assessment of \$390,528 by adopting the Alternative method of computing each of the six-member town's assessment and payment of costs incurred by the Gateway Regional School district; or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Gateway Regional School District

Selectboard: Does not recommend.

Finance Committee: Does not recommend.

#### **Explanation provided by the Gateway School District:**

- I. The Alternate Assessment shall create an equalized percentage assessment to each member town and must be approved by all member towns.
- II. The member towns' combined operating, transportation, and capital/debt assessment shall be apportioned annually for the ensuing fiscal year by increasing each town's prior fiscal year assessment by the percentage of the total District assessment increase. The initial base year for the assessment is FY18 averaged with the previous five (5) years. The alternative assessment formula will be recalibrated every five (5) years, beginning with the FY24 budget using the Statutory Method which will become the base for the next five (5) years.
- III. When using the Alternate Assessment Method, each town must meet its Minimum Required Local Contribution. If the equalized percentage assessment results in a member town(s) not meeting its Minimum Required Local Contribution, then the town(s) so affected shall have its assessment increased to the Minimum Required Local Contribution amount.
- IV. The remaining towns shall have their assessment reduced in an equal percentage.

#### **Explanation from the Finance Committee:**

As alternative assessments do not depend on number of students, the Town's proposed share of the alternative assessment for FY2023 would be **\$60,443** greater than the Statutory Assessment in Article 14 below. Since the alternative assessment will take effect if, and only if, it is adopted by all six towns, Middlefield's "No" vote would effectively kill this measure.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to approve the agreement among the towns of Blanford, Chester, Huntington, Middlefield, Montgomery, and Russell with respect to the formation of the Gateway Regional School District, or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Gateway Regional School District

Please refer to the separate document: "Agreement among the towns of Blanford, Chester, Huntington, Middlefield, Montgomery, and Russell" for the full text of this article.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sum for Middlefield's Statutory Assessment for the Gateway Regional School District; or take any other action relative thereto:

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	FY 2022		FinCom	SB
	Adopted	Requested	Recommends	Recommends
Gateway Statutory Assessment	387,592	330,085	330,085	330,085

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sum for vocational education; or take any other action relative thereto:

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	FY 2022		FinCom	SB
	Adopted	Requested	Recommends	Recommends
Vocational Education	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving fund accounts for the receipt of inspection fees, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to be expended during FY2023 without further appropriation for the purpose of administrative duties, capped at the amounts in the table below; or take any other action relative thereto:

		FY 2023		
	FY 2022 Adopted	Requested	FinCom Recommends	SB Recommends
Electrical Inspector	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Conservation Commission	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Zoning Board of Appeals	500	500	500	500
Plumbing Inspector	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund, under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, which may be spent on the Transfer Station without further appropriation during FY2023. Collected Transfer Station fees may be used for the Transfer Station attendant's salary, for capital equipment, grounds improvement, or other related expenses to benefit the Transfer Station. The Selectboard may spend up to \$7,500 in revolving fund monies for the Transfer Station during FY2023 and retain in this account all collected fees; or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

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Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money for Debt & Interest: or take any other action relative thereto:

		FY 2023		
	FY 2022		FinCom	SB
	Adopted	Requested	Recommends	Recommends
Interest on Short-term Debt	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to appoint a member of the Board to serve as the Assessors' Clerk at the salary fixed and voted on by the Town; or take any other action relative thereto:

**Sponsor:** Board of Assessors **Selectboard:** Recommends.

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Franklin Regional Transit Authority as the official transportation agent for the Council on Aging; or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 90 and all other Highway grant Funds from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the purposes of repair, construction, maintenance and preservation of the Town's roads and bridges and other related costs; or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$8,000 from the FY22 Fuel Account and \$10,000 from Free Cash to cover the overage in the snow removal account; or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectboard accept funds and gifts on behalf of the town; or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$25,000 from Free Cash to put towards the purchase of a new 2022 Western Star Chassis approved in 2021 to replace the 2012 International tandem plow truck, including a new plow frame, hydraulic system and controls, along with blasting and painting the sub-frame on the old body; or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to establish a new Capital Stabilization Account to be used to pay for future Town capital equipment purchases and capital projects or take any other action thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$60,000 from Free Cash to the Capital Stabilization Account or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to establish a new School Stabilization Account to help defray future Town costs to support the Gateway Regional School System or take any other action thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$61,250 from Free Cash to the School Stabilization Account to help to defray the future cost of Town expenses to support the Gateway Regional School District or take any other action relative thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 to help defray the cost of services provided by the Hinsdale, Hilltown, and Becket Ambulance Services. Each ambulance service to receive \$2,000 or take any other action thereto:

Sponsor: Selectboard

Finance Committee: Recommends.

**ARTICLE 30.** To transact any other business to come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of same in the Middlefield Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town and a designated place in Smith Hollow, at least seven days before time of holding said meeting. Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Middlefield the 28th day of April in the year two thousand twenty-two.

Curt Robie, Member

Ann Marie Visconti, Member

Tonya Santaniello, Member

I have this day posted copies of the above warrant.

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Date



### Town of Middlefield Special Town Meeting Warrant

Hampshire, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Middlefield in the County of Hampshire

Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Middlefield on the 26th of March 2022 at 10:00am then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer and use funds in the amount of \$175,000.00 from Federal ARPA funding, Free Cash, and the Stabilization Account to make repairs to the Senior Center with \$79,808.00 to come from Federal ARPA funding, \$42,053.62 to come from Free Cash and \$53,138.38 to come from the Stabilization Account. Funds will be used to pay the architectural cost of developing plans and specifications for the work in the amount of \$12,900 and the remaining funding of \$162,100 will be used to fund repair work. Any funding not spent in FY 2022 will roll into FY2023. Any funds remaining after completion of the project will be closed out to the undesignated fund balance at the close of FY 2023, or take any other action thereto.

**ARTICLE** 2 To see if the Town will transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from Free Cash to cover additional anticipated costs for workers compensation and vehicle insurance coverage or take any other action thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of same in the Middlefield Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town and a designated place in Smith Hollow, at least fourteen (14) days before time of holding said meeting. Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meetings as aforesaid.

Ann Marie Visconti, Chair	Tonya Santaniello, Selectman
Curt Robie, Selectman	
I have this day posted copies of the above	
Constable	Date



### Town of Middlefield Special Town Meeting Warrant

Hampshire, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Middlefield in the County of Hampshire

Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Middlefield on the 11th of July 2022 at 7:00pm then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

**ARTICLE 1** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to fund the position of a Town Administrator for the Fiscal Year 2023 or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of same in the Middlefield Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town and a designated place in Smith Hollow, at least fourteen (14) days before time of holding said meeting. Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meetings as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Middlefield the	22 day of June 2022.
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Curt Robie, Selectman	
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## Special Town Meeting Warrant

#### Hampshire, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Middlefield in the County of Hampshire

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet on September 14 at 7:00 P.M. at the Middlefield Town Hall, and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to create a Town Administrator position to oversee the day-to-day operation of the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Sponsor:

#### **Finance Committee:**

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to go towards the first-year salary of the Town Administrator; or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Sponsor:

#### Finance Committee:

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to raise the annual pay for the Administrative Assistant from \$17,000 to \$20,000 per year; or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Sponsor:

#### **Finance Committee:**

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to cover the cost of an audit of Town financial procedures for the year ending June 30, 2022 with the firm Adelson & Company PC; or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Sponsor:

#### Finance Committee:

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And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of same in the Middlefield Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town and a designated place in Smith Hollow, at least fourteen days before time of holding said meeting. Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Middlefield the xx day of September in the year two thousand twenty-

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Ann Marie Visconti, Chair

Curt Robie, Member

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September, xx, 2022 STM Warrant, p. 2



#### Hampshire, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Middlefield in the County of Hampshire

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet on March 25, 2023, at I0:00 A. M. at the Middlefield Town Hali and there to act on the following articles:

NOTE: Snow date for this meeting will be Saturday April I, 2023, at 10:00 A. M. Notification of change will be made on Town website and on the general Code Red Website.

Article I, To see if the Town will transfer the sum of \$6,390.00 from Free Cash to cover the actual cost of county retirement for FY 2023 or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Recommends

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Article 2, To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$69,912.00 from Free Cash to be applied toward the cost of repairs to the Town Senior Center or take any other action thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Does not recommend.

Article 3, To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$49,000 from Free Cash to be applied toward the cost of removing and replacing asbestos floor tile in the Town Hall and the replacement of library shelving as necessary or take any other action relative thereto.

Spensor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Does not recommend.

Article 4, To see if the Town will transfer the sum of \$5,000.00 from Free Cash to pay the MVP Dirt Road Grant Town Liaison to be reimbursed by the state or take any other action thereto.

Select Board:

Finance Committee: Recommends

Article 5, To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$7,500.00 from Free Cash to pay the town share of grant expenses for the three-town MVP Dirt Road Study being conducted by the towns of Middlefield, Chester, and Blandford and coordinated by the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, or take any other action thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Recommends

Article 6, To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum not to exceed \$2,500.00 out of the Sale of Land Account to have town counsel perform a title search to determine if the Middlefield Congregational Church is on Town owned property or take any other action thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Recommends

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Article 7, To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,300 from the Town Sale of Land Account to pay for the cost of additional survey work needed to close the former town Skyline trail dump or take any other action thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

**Finance Committee: Recommends** 

Article 8, To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 from the Town Sale of Land Account to pay for half the cost of \$20,000 to purchase from Anita Myers a portion of land formerly used as a town landfill on Skyline Trail or take any other action thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Does not recommend

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 from Free cash to pay for a the estimated cost of labor and materials for the construction of the Town Park in the center of town excluding the cost of park benches which is hoped can be funded through donations or take any other action thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Does not recommend

Article 10, To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote under Article 23 of the 2020 Annual Town Meeting, where \$26,000 was appropriated for repaving the Town Hall driveway and where such funds were not needed for that purpose, to authorize the use of such funds for other paving projects (basketball court and Highway Department facility), or take any other action related thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Does not recommend.

Article 11, To see if the Town will vote to affirm the decision of the Select Boards of Middlefield and Washington to readvertise the position of shared Town Administrator with an annual salary of up to eighty thousand dellars to include the additional cost of benefits and with an appointment by said boards for up to three years as provided for pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41 Section 23A; or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Sponsor: Select Board

Finance Committee: Does not recommend.

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And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of same in the Middleffield Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town and a designated place in Smith Hollow, at least fourteen days before time of holding dais meeting. Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town clerk at the time and

Given under our hands at Middlefield the 2006 day of March in the year two thousand twenty-times.

Ann Marie Visconni, Chair

Out Robie, Member

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### **Trial Balance**

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

01 GENERAL FUND		
1010.10 - General Cash	1077138.32	
1100.11 - Personal Prop Taxes F2011	1077120122	-17.30
1100.15 - Personal Property 2015		-1.12
1100.17 - Personal Property 2017	104.40	100
1100.18 - Personal Property 2018	64.25	
1100.19 - Personal Property 2019	327.95	
1100.20 - Personal Property 2020	157.75	
1100.21 - Personal Property 2021	28.45	
1100.22 - Personal Property 2022	473.83	
1200.00 - Real Estate Taxes F2000	1144.54	
1200.01 - Real Estate Taxes F2001	0.01	
1200.02 - Real Estate Taxes F2002	2491.72	
1200.03 - Real Estate Taxes F2002	833.08	
1200.03 - Real Estate Taxes F2003	943.05	
1200.04 - Real Estate Taxes F2004 1200.07 - Real Estate Taxes F2007	943.03	1220 22
1200.07 - Real Estate Taxes F2007	520.17	-1328.33
1200.11 - Real Estate 1axes F2011 1200.12 - Real Estate 2012	520.17	1069.01
		-1068.91
1200.13 - Real Estate 2013	111.20	-1012.40
1200.14 - Real Estate 2014	111.20	250.14
1200.15 - Real Estate 2015	12000.02	-270.10
1200.16 - Real Estate 2016	13809.93	
1200.17 - Real Estate 2017	1481.97	
1200.18 - Real Estate 2018	5141.80	
1200.19 - Real Estate 2019	7982.34	
1200.20 - Real Estate	9499.66	
1200.21 - Real Estate 2021	24864.57	
1200.22 - Real Estate 2022	41008.88	
1200.23 - Real Estate 2023		-142.22
1200.98 - Real Estate Taxes F1998	91.13	
1200.99 - Real Estate Taxes F1999	433.26	
1300.06 - Motor Vehicle Ex 2006	432.30	
1300.07 - Motor Vehicle Ex 2007	272.08	
1300.08 - Motor Vehicle Ex 2008	232.46	
1300.09 - Motor Vehicle Ex 2009	603.96	
1300.10 - Motor Vehicle Ex 2010	3053.44	
1300.11 - Motor Vehicle Ex 2011	95.48	
1300.12 - Motor Vehicle Ex	221.88	
1300.13 - Motor Vehicle Ex 2013	1356.17	
1300.14 - Motor Vehicle 2014		-133.87
1300.15 - Motor Vehicle 2015	131.82	
1300.16 - Motor Vehicle 2016	108.64	
1300.17 - Motor Vehicle 2017		-142.51
1300.18 - Motor Vehicle Excise 2018	2509.55	
1300.19 - Motor Vehicle Excise 2019	1310.70	
1300.20 - Motor Vehicle 2020	6542.50	
1300.21 - Motor Vehicle Excise 2021	3078.57	
1300.22 - Motor Vehicle Excise 2022	4801.62	
1562.00 - Tax Titles	129428.99	

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### **Trial Balance**

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

Fund 01 GENERAL FUND	
1607.08 - CHAPTER 90 REIMBURSEMENT	-352718.18
1620.00 - subsequent Years	
1700.22 - Revenue Fisca 2022	
1800.00 - Estimated Receipts	12111111111111111111111111111111111111
1822.03 - Highway Truck	125000.00
1854.00 - Due to Trust	Secretarian Administration of the Control of the Co
1862.00 - Unauthorized/Unissued	-125000.00
2010.00 - Warrants Payable	-327125.74
3052.00 - Tac collector fees	-746.59
3053.01 - Deputy Collector Fees	-1572.01
3054.00 - Town Clerk Agency	-277.55
3055.01 - Health Ins Deduct	
3069.00 - Police Permits Due State	-8262.50
3072.00 - Unclaimed Checks	
3073.00 - Sale of Property	-5075.64
3090.00 - FIRE DONATIONS	-1000.00
3091.00 - Police Donations	-2000.00
3092.00 - Town Hall Improvements	e many accompany instruction to take the con-
3093.00 - Kitchen Repair Donation	-0.20
3096.00 - Recreation-Basketball Ct	-145.46
3097.00 - COA DONATIONS	-5340.00
3099.00 - library Gifts	-6145.41
3100.00 - Town of Middlefield Revitaliza	-1750.00
3101.00 - Town's Recreation	· Profession a budging to 0
5002.00 - Elections - State	-6607.46
5004.00 - Heritage Days-Rec	-40.00
5005.11 - Historical Commission Donation	-1257.93
5006.00 - St. Aid to Libraries	-6781.03
5009.00 - Scale Grant	-500.00
5010.00 - SMRP-RECYCING PROGRAM	-16116.68
5010.11 - Full Cirice Tech	yourniser = religible = 0
5011.00 - COVID 19	-4159.18
5012.00 - MASS WORKS GRANT	-12222.85
5013.00 - DEP Recycling Grant	-4200.00
5015.00 - Mun/ Emer disaster Relief	-9017.00
5020.00 - ARPA funds	-79808.12
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5026.00 - RRSA FY 20	-338.00
5036.00 - MA Cultural Council	-8361.08
5040.00 - Council on Aging - State	-587.38
5041.00 - Sarah Gillett COA Grant	Leonard Burnelley 2 1038 for the
5045.10 - BOH Mini-grant Program	
5047.07 - FEMA/Fire Grant	tractions and the test of
5048.00 - FEMA/MEMA HAZARD IMT	
5048.25 - Dept of Fire Service Grant	10252.92
5049.08 - Community Policing	10232.72
5050.01 - RRSA FY 19	0
5055.10 - EMPG Grant	

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### **Trial Balance**

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Fund 01 GENERAL FUND	
5055.11 - AED Equipment Grant	-1495.00
5055.22 - EMPG Grant 22	0
5057.12 - SAMHSA CRA Grant	-544.71
5058.01 - Green Communities	6503.25
5058.16 - Root Road DOE	33795.27
5063.00 - Sale of Land	-75236.17
5070.11 - Dept of Energy Grant	-48.10
5506.00 - Electrical Inspector Revolving	0
5511.00 - ZBA fees	-300.00
5513.00 - BRPC/FULL CIRCLE	-4500.00
5520.00 - Police Outside Detail	435.50
5550.00 - Conservation Comm Revolv	-1814.69
5551.00 - Zoning Board of Appeals/fees	-235.00
5552.00 - Insurance Claim	0
5567.10 - BOH Revolving	-60.00
5577.00 - Transfer Station Revolving	-48674.61
5578.00 - Transfer Station Rev/electroni	0
5599.00 - Electrical Inspector Revolving	-50.00
6008.00 - Air Pollution Control	0
6016.00 - RMV Non Renewal Surcharge	0
7012.00 - Sale of Cemetery Lots	-4550.00
7014.00 - Refunded Dog Tax	-779.17
8117.00 - Overlay all years	-53604.58
8119.00 - overlay 2019	-7.47
8121.00 - Overlay 2021	-750.90
8122.00 - Overlay 2022	-3796.90
9002.00 - Tax Title & Poss. Revenue	-129428.99
9006.00 - Motor Vehicle Excise Rev	-24474.79
9950.00 - Surplus Revenue	-412283.94
9951.00 - Free Cash	0
10011.11 - Moderator	-100.00
10111.00 - Town Counsel	0
10122.01 - Selectmens Expenses	0
10122.03 - Copier Expense	0
10122.07 - Administrative Assistant	0
10122.08 - Recording Secretary	0
10122.11 - Selectmen Salaries	0
10135.00 - Town Accountant Salary	0
10135.01 - Town Account Expenses	0
10135.12 - Town Audit	0
10141.01 - Assistant Assessor	0
10141.02 - Assessors Expenses	0
10141.03 - Assessor Clerk	0
10141.11 - Assessor Salaries	0
10141.12 - Multi-town appraisal PP	0
10141.14 - Assesors Tax Map Update	0
10141.77 - CAMA Software Support	0
10142.00 - Assessors' Revaluation	0
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#### **Trial Balance**

Fund (	01 GENERAL FUND		
	10145.00 - Treasurer Salary		0
	10145.01 - Treasurer Expenses		0
	10145.04 - Tax Title Treasurer		0
	10145.05 - Treas/Accountant Software Supp		0
	10145.11 - Payroll Support		0
	10146.00 - Tax Collector Salary		0
	10146.01 - Tax Collector Expenses		0
	10146.04 - Tax Title		0
	10161.01 - Town Clerk Expenses		0
	10161.11 - Town Clerk Salary		0
	10161.12 - Assistant Town Clerk Salary		0
	10162.00 - Election & Registration		0
	10175.00 - Planning Board		0
	10176.00 - Zoning Board Expenses		0
	10176.08 - Communication Committee		0
	10177.08 - Conservation Commission Exp		0
	20109.10 - Chapter 90	365625.18	
	20420.00 - Highway Department Wages		0
	20420.01 - Sick Days		0
	20420.02 - Town Highway Maintenance		0
	20421.01 - Machinery Expenses		0
	20421.14 - 2012 Interantioanl tandem axle	57010.00	
	20421.44 - Holidays		0
	20421.55 - Vacations		0
	20422.00 - Fuels		0
	20422.01 - Unpaved Roads Material		0
	20422.07 - Town Hall Paving		-26000.00
	20423.00 - Snow Removal		0
	20424.00 - Street Lights		0
	30000.01 - Gateway Reg Schl Assmnt		0
	30000.04 - Vocational Education		-4566.75
	30610.00 - Library Expenses		0
	30610.11 - Librarian Salary		0
	40543.00 - Veterans Agent Salary	union College of Mr Program -	0
	40543.01 - Veterans Benefits		0
	40543.04 - War Memorials/Playground		0
	40544.00 - basketball Court repairs		-8125.00
	50491.00 - Cemetery Expense		0
	50493.00 - Cemetery Tree Removal		0
	60210.00 - Police Chiefs Salary		0
	60210.01 - Police Dept Expenses		0
	60210.02 - Police Cruiser		0
	60210.08 - Police Officers' Compensation		0
	60210.09 - Officer's Training		0
	60210.10 - Police Cruiser		-51558.00
	60210.11 - Constable Salaries		-100.00
	60210.12 - Regional lockup		0
	60210.13 - CodeRED Notification System		0

### **Trial Balance**

Fund 01 GENERAL FUND	10 00/2012022
60210.79 - Up grade emergency Comm.	0
60210.80 - EMS SERVICE	0
60210.81 - EMS Education	0
60210.82 - Emergency Management	0
60210.88 - Constable Expenses	0
60220.00 - Fire Chief/Forest Wrd Sal	-1500.00
60220.01 - Fire Dept Expenses	0
60220.02 - Fire Dept Insp Salary	-600.00
60220.04 - Fire Dept Dispatch Srv	0
60220.08 - Forest Fire	0
60220.09 - Fire off road rescue vehicle	
60241.00 - Building Inspector	0
60241.01 - Bldg. Comm. Expenses	0
60245.00 - Electrical Inspector	-200.00
60292.00 - Dog Officer's Salary	0
60292.01 - Dog Expense	0
60292.10 - Animal Inspector Exp	0
60292.15 - Animal Inspector salary	-275.00
60294.01 - Insect Pest Control	0
70231.00 - Ambulance	0
70431.00 - Disposal Area	0
70431.01 - Capping Old Dump	
70431.04 - Hilltown Resource Mgmt	0
70519.00 - Bd of Health/Insp Salary	0
70519.01 - Board of Health Exp	0
70522.00 - Lee Visiting Nurse	0
80752.00 - Short Term Interest	0
90192.01 - Insurances	0
90192.02 - Maint Public Buildings	0
90192.10 - Comcast build out	
90192.11 - Town Hall Custodian	0
90192.12 - Maintenance Technician	0
90192.96 - Property Purchase (Myers)	-10000.00
90192.99 - Website/Technology	0
90195.00 - Printing	0
90198.00 - Bidding Services	
90541.00 - Council on Aging	0
90541.11 - Senior Center Repairs	-82280.54
90630.00 - Recreation Expense	0
90691.00 - Historical Commission	
90691.01 - Historical Records	0
90691.08 - Agricultural Commission	0
90911.00 - County Retirement	0
90913.00 - Unemployment Insurance	0
90916.00 - Social Security/Twn Share	0
90919.00 - Health Insurance	0
90947.00 - Pioneer Valley Planning	

#### **Trial Balance**

Fund 01 GENERAL FUND		
90950.00 - Due to Stabilization	Ners 1706 17 - 10540100	0
90951.00 - Due to Capital Stabilization		0
90952.00 - Due to School Stabilization		0
95781.00 - Reserve Fund		0
Fund 01 GENERAL FUND Ending Bal	1941454.54	-1941454.54

#### **Trial Balance**

Fund 60 GENERAL FUND		
600010.00 - Trust Cash	352857.40	
600020.00 - Stabilization		-292222.87
600022.00 - Dickson Charity Fund		-29221.08
600026.00 - Cemetery PC		-31413.45
600030.00 - Due From General Fund	and the second second	0
Fund 60 GENERAL FUND Ending Bal	352857.40	-352857.40
Report Total	2294311.94	-2294311.94

## MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES

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#### Year End Cash Report - Fiscal Year 2022

#### PART I

A. Cash and Checks in Office	0.00
B. Non-Interest Bearing Checking Account	16,745.60
C. Interest Bearing Checking Account	1,065,525.55
D. Liquid investments	0.00
E. Term Investments	0.00
F. Trust Funds	352,857.40
Total: Cash and Investments	1,435,128.55

## MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES

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#### Cash Reconciliation for June 30 - Fiscal Year 2022

Total Treasurer's Cash and Investments (6/30 year-end report)	1,435,128.55
Other trust funds not in custody of Treasurer	0.00,
Total Cash and Investments	1,435,128.55
Accountant's/Auditor's Cash and Investments (PER BALANCE SHEET)	•
General Fund	1,082,271.15
Special Revenue Funds	0.00
Capital Projects Funds	0.00,
Enterprise Funds	, 0.00
Trust and Agency Funds	352,857.40
Total per general ledger	1,435,128.55
Reconciling Items (specify)	
Warrants Payable	0.00
Petty Cash	0.00
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Total Adjusted Accountant's/Auditor's Cash and Investments	1,435,128.55
Variance	0.00

#### Treasury Receipts Summary Report From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

TR Code	Description Amount	
1100.22 Personal Property 2	022 64,488.07	
1200.19 Real Estate 2019	3,571.85	
1200.20 Real Estate 20	7,522.24	
1200.21 Real Estate 2021	24,814.09	
1200.22 Real Estate 2022	1,175,107.94	
1200.23 Real Estate 2023	142.22	
1300.19 Motor Vehicle Excis	se 2019 83.75	
1300.20 Motor Vehicle excise	e 20 102.76	
1300.21 Motor Vehicle Excis	se 2021 16,560.96	
1300.22 Motor Vehicle Excis	se 2022 49,549.97	
1562.00 Tax Titles	658.60	
1607.08 Chapter 90 reimbur	sement 64,116.25	
1800.00 Estimated Receipts	613.93	
1800.00.4171 Interest on Pro	operty Taxe 6,386.57	
1800.00.4172 Interest on Exc	cise Taxes 519.47	
1800.00.4173 Interest on Tax	x Titles 661.70	
1800.00.4177 Tax Collector	misc revenue 445.00	
1800.00.4200 Tax Title Attor	rney Fees 105.00	
1800.00.4250 SREC	621.26	
1800.00.4270 Other Charges	s for Service 15.53	
1800.00.4320 Motor Vehicle	Flagging Fe 40.00	
1800.00.4372 Rental Income	6,963.96	
1800.00.4418 Board of Healt	th Permits 2,175.00	
1800.00.4419 TENT PERMI	T 60.00	
1800.00.4420 Building Inspe	ection Permi 2,924.00	

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TR Code Description	Amount
1800.00.4421 Dog Licenses	600.00
1800.00.4423 Driveway Permits	60.00
1800.00.4425 Town Clerk fees	280.00
1800.00.4426 Electrical Permits	920.00
1800.00.4428 Fire Dept. Permits	285.00
1800.00.4430 Gas Inspection Permits	520.00
1800.00.4432 Planning Board Permits	35.00
1800.00.4434 Plumbing Permits	100.00
1800.00.4436 Police Department Permits	325.00
1800.00.4438 Zoning Board Permits	100.00
1800.00.4439 Other Licenses & Permits	2,211.81
1800.00.4475 Police Adm fees	4,370.25
1800.00.4476 POLICE CRUISER FEE	100.00
1800.00.4541 RRSA/land/USDI	335.00
1800.00.4611 State Owned Land	59,017.00
1800.00.4612 Unclaimed Property	437.76
1800.00.4616 Elderly Abatements	1,512.00
1800.00.4620 School Aid Ch. 70	13,290.00
1800.00.4630 LOSS ON TAXES	2,769.00
1800.00.4669 ARPA LOCALFISCAL RECOVERY	Y 0.00
1800.00.4673 Local aid one time payment	. 0.00
1800.00.4676 RECYCLING PROGRAM	52.76
1800.00.4685 Unrestricted Gen.Gov	64,276.00
1800.00.4697 RMV FINES	514.47
1800.00.4815 Redemption fee	105.00

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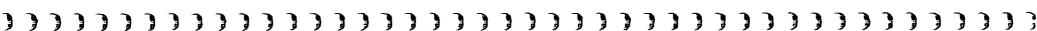
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TR Code Description	Amount	
1800.00.4816 Department reimburse	7,953.81	
1800.00.4820 Interest on Savings	1,285.62	
20420.02 Town Highway Maintenance	20.00	
20423.00 Snow & Ice removal	695.08	
3052.00 Tax Collector Fees-Monson	1,580.00	
3053.01 Deputy Collector Fees	996.01	
3055.01 Health Ins Deduct	7,677.46	
3069.00 Police Permits Due State	975.00	
3090.00 FIRE DONATIONS	1,000.00	
3097.00 COA DONATIONS	100.00	
3099.00 library Gifts	576.30	
5005.11 Historical Commission Donations	83.59	
5006.00 St. Aid to Libraries	2,921.40	
5010.00 SMRP-RECYCING PROGRAM	4,029.98	
5010.11 Full Circle Tech	0.00	
5012.00 MASS WORKS	34,620.41	
5013.00 DEP Recycling Grant	4,200.00	
5015.00 Municipal emg. dis. relief	9,017.00	
5020.00 ARPA Funds	51,861.62	
5036.00 MA Cultural Council	5,012.00	
5040.00 Council on Aging - State	6,000.00	
5048.00 EMPG	0.00	
5055.11 AED Detibrilitator	1,495.00	
5055.22 EMPG 2022	. 2,500.00	
5058.16 ROOT ROAD DOE	27,650.25	

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TR Code Description		Amount	
5513.00 BRPC/FULL CIRLCE		4,500.00	
5520.00 Police Outside Detail		47,484.50	
5550.00 Conservation Comm Revolv		60.00	
5577.00 Transfer Station Revolvin		10,896.00	
5578.00 electronics		2,609.00	
600020.00 STABILIZATION ACCT		1,533.60	
600022.00 DICKINSON TRUST		162.41	
600026.00 CEMETERY PC		174.57	
7012.00 Sale of Cemetery Lots		125.00	
	Report Total	1,820,261.78	

### 2022 Expense Report

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

	Ex	pended	
10111.00 Town Counsel			
KP LAW, P.C.		577.64	
	\$	577.64	
10122.01 Selectmens Expenses			
BERKSHIRE COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPT ASSOC		50.00	
MACFARLANE OFFICE PRODUCTS		237.50	
POSTMASTER		58.00	
TURLEY PUBLICATIONS, INC		311.64	
US POSTAL SERVICE	•	84.00	
DUANE PEASE		15.16	
ANN MARIE VISCONTI		79.69	
CURT ROBIE		88.90	
BRETT THILBAULT ARCHITECT LLC		150.00	
ATFC		85.00	
MMA		676.00	
W.B. MASON CO., INC.		32.42	
	\$ 1	,868.31	
10122.03 Copier Expense			
MACFARLANE OFFICE PRODUCTS		917.50	
	\$	917.50	
10122.07 Administrative Assistant			
DOREEN BLACK	1	,692.00	
DUANAE PEASE		536.00	
DUANE PEASE	13	3,192.00	
	\$ 15	5,420.00	
10122.08 Recording Secretary			
SUZANNE LEMIEUX	1	,380.00	
SUZANNE LEMIUEX		240.00	
	<b>\$</b> 1	1,620.00	
10122.11 Selectmen Salaries			
ANN MARIE VISCONTI		208.33	
ANNE MARIE VISCONTI	2	2,083.30	
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### 2022 Expense Report

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	Expended
10122.11 Selectmen Salaries	
ANNEMARIE VISCONTI	208.32
KURT ROBIE	2,000.03
TONYA SANTANIELLO	1,666.68
TONYA SANTIELLO	333.34
	\$ 6,500.00
10135.00 Town Accountant Salary	
BEVERLY COOEPR	901.00
BEVERLY COOPER	9,911.00
	\$ 10,812.00
10135.01 Town Account Expenses	
US POSTAL SERVICE	171.00
SPRINGBROOK HOLDING CO LLC	548.23
	\$ 719.23
10135.12 Town Audit	
ADELSON & COMPANY PC	20,000.00
	\$ 20,000.00
10141.01 Assistant Assessor	
LAURA LAFRENIERE	325.00
LAURIE LAFRENIERE	-325.00
	\$ 0.00
10141.02 Assessors Expenses	
STEPHEN HARRIS	720.36
US POSTAL SERVICE	76.00
BCAA	60.00
BERKSHIRE GRAPHICS	1,105.00
ННСАА	40.00
W.B. MASON CO., INC.	51.68
	\$ 2,053.04
10141.03 Assessor Clerk	
LAURA LAFRENIERE	7,000.00
	\$ 7,000.00

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## Town of Middlefield 2022 Expense Report

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

	Expended
10141.11 Assessor Salaries	
KEN MURRAY	1,392.00
KENN MURRAY	174.00
KENNETH MURRAY	174.00
LAURA LAFRENIERE	3,250.00
LAURIE LAFRENIERE	325.00
LUARA LAFRENIERE	325.00
TAMARIN LAUREL PAIN	330.00
TAMARIN LAUREL PAINE	660.00
TAMARIN LAUREL-PAINE	2,640.00
TAMARIN LAUREL-PIANE	330.00
	\$ 9,600.00
10141.12 Multi-town appraisal PP	
GEORGE E. SANSOUCY PE LLC	3,400.00
	\$ 3,400.00
10141.14 Assesors Tax Map Update	
CAI TECHNOLOGIES	2,070.00
	\$ 2,070.00
10141.77 CAMA Software Support	
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	3,715.00
	\$ 3,715.00
10145.00 Treasurer Salary	
KIRSTEN HENSHAW	1,802.00
KRISTEN HENSHAW	9,010.00
	\$ 10,812.00
10145.01 Treasurer Expenses	
US POSTAL SERVICE	174.00
US POSTAL SERVICE	58.00
THE MAIN STREET AMERICA GROUP	195.00
	\$ 427.00
10145.05 Treas/Accountant Software Supp	
SPRINGBROOK HOLDING CO LLC	11,268.01
	\$ 11,268.01

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### 2022 Expense Report

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

	Expended
10145.11 Payroll Support	
UNIVERSAL PAYROLL	2,140.49
	\$ 2,140.49
10146.00 Tax Collector Salary	
MARY ANN PEASE	2,703.00
MARYANN PEASE	6,307.00
MARYANNE PEASE	901.00
MSARYANN PEASE	901.00
	\$ 10,812.00
10146.01 Tax Collector Expenses	
US POSTAL SERVICE	62.00
CURT ROBIE	35.00
QUALITY DATA SERVICE INC	358.49
W.B. MASON CO., INC.	427.87
	\$ 883.36
10146.04 Tax Title	
COMM. OF MASS.	105.00
101//1 01 Thomas Clark Francisco	\$ 105.00
10161.01 Town Clerk Expenses	
SUZANNE LEMIEUX	116.00
TURLEY PUBLICATIONS, INC	74.47
US POSTAL SERVICE	110.00
US POSTAL SERVICE	84.00
TRAVELERS CL REMITTANCE CENTER	200.00
MTCA	30.00
NORTHEAST DOCUMENT CONSER CENTER	30.00
FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	83.79 <b>\$ 728.26</b>
10161.11 Town Clerk Salary	\$ 728.26
SUZANNE LEMIEUX	4,466.68
SUZANNE LEMIIEUX	558.33
SUZANNE LEMIUEX	1,674.99

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## Town of Middlefield 2022 Expense Report

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

		Expended	
	\$	6,700.00	
10161.12 Assistant Town Clerk Salary			
LOIS LEONARDO BELL		170.00	
LOIS LEONARDO BELL		1,190.00	
LOIS LEONARDO-BELL		680.00	
	\$	2,040.00	
10162.00 Election & Registration			
CURT ROBIE		55.90	
Margaret Pierre		55.90	
ELEANOR DOYLE		55.90	
LOIS LEONARDO-BELL		55.90	
CHARLENE GERO		55.90	
	\$	279.50	
10175.00 Planning Board			
TURLEY PUBLICATIONS, INC		22.91	
PARADISE COPIES, INC		157.76	
ANDREA TOSI	-	32.65	
	\$	213.32	
10176.00 Zoning Board Expenses			
TURLEY PUBLICATIONS, INC		95.48	
MAUREEN SULLIVAN	<b>e</b> r	73.80 <b>169.28</b>	
10177.09 Congaryation Commission Eve	\$	107.28	
10177.08 Conservation Commission Exp		100 00	
MACC	,	108.00	
CAROL WAAG	\$	165.00 <b>273.00</b>	
20109.10 Chapter 90	<b>U</b>	2,0.00	
R.I.BAKER CO.		7,840.00	
MERCEDES-BENZ FINANCIAL SERVICES USA		64,116.25	
EJ PRESCOTT INC		5,067.00	
	\$	77,023.25	
20420.00 Highway Department Wages			
CHASE CARRINGTON		1,604.16	
CHASE C ARRINGTON		100.26	
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## **Town of Middlefield**2022 Expense Report

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

	Expended	
20420.00 Highway Department Wages		
CHASE CARRINGINGTON	16.71	
CHASE CARRINGTON	43,056.10	
CHASE CHARRINGTON	50.13	
MATHEW RADWICH	688.50	
MATTEW RADWICH	1,606.50	
MATTHEW RADWCIH	103.26	
MATTHEW RADWICH	42,835.92	
RODNEY SASVERY	234.42	
RODNEY SAVERY	51,139.63	
RONDEY SAVERY	1,823.50	
	\$ 143,259.09	
20420.01 Sick Days		
CHASE CARRINGTON	178.24	
MATTEW RADWICH	413.10	
MATTHEW RADWICH	1,055.70	
RODNEY SAVERY	416.80	
	\$ 2,063.84	
20420.02 Town Highway Maintenance		
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	866.30	
BERKSHIRE COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPT ASSOC	175.00	
FASTENAL	449.17	
JOHN'S BUILDING SUPPLY	3,694.78	
L.P.ADAMS CO INC	1,706.36	
MASS HIGHWAY ASSOC	105.00	
PITTSFIELD LAWN & TRACTOR	11,010.00	
RAINBOW DISTRIBUTORS	182.00	
R.I.BAKER CO.	6,688.29	
RODNEY SAVERY	43.82	

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From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

	Expended	
20420.02 Town Highway Maintenance		
STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	969.95	
TONLINO & SONS, LLC	709.83	
VERIZON WIRELESS	120.97	
US POSTAL SERVICE	84.00	
ВСНА	0.00	
CINTAS CORP	4,254.44	
HATHWAY CONSTRUCTION CO	2,195.00	
MARTIN CHIRCOPRACTIC	160.00	
MAINTENANCE MAN ASSC. INC	4,643.63	
MASSACHUSETTS FIRE TECH INC	129.95	
MITCHELL1	1,248.00	
J. SNAPE TREE SERVICE	2,200.00	
GATEWAY FARM PET	392.96	
H.D. REYNOLDS INC	56.62	
CARR HARDWARE	18.78	
VERIZON WIRELESS	1,521.62	•
BERKSHIRE PLATE GLASS	175.00 <b>\$ 43,801.47</b>	
20421.01 Machinery Expenses		
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	1,331.10	
C & C HYDRAULICS, INC	1,550.72	
DUFOUR INC	35.00	
FASTENAL	894.55	
GENALCO INC	2,100.85	
LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC	399.39	
MARCOTTE FORD	3,643.84	
NUTMEG INTERNATIONAL	407.36	
PITTSFIELD LAWN & TRACTOR	292.07	
PITTSFIELD WELDING SUPPLY INC	120.92	
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	Expended
20421.01 Machinery Expenses	Expended
R.I.BAKER CO.	1,005.89
RODNEY SAVERY	580.09
SKYLINE SERVICES, LLC	145.00
SUPERIOR SPRING & MFG CO INC	95.69
ZWACK, INC	2,395.01
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS STORES	2,393.01
SAFELITE FULLFILLMENT INC	375.70
TAPLIN YARD PUMP & POWER EQUIP.	345.85
ADVANCED AUTO PARTS	1,546.89
COMMERCIAL TRUCK TIRE CENTER	1,958.45
ALTA CONSTRUCTION EQUIP.NY LLC	1,305.30
VANTAGE EQUIPMENT LLC	227.49
UNITED CONSTRUCTION & FORESTRY	4,342.76
BACHER CORP OF CONN	592.60
H.D. REYNOLDS INC	5.50
AIRGAS USSA LLC	566.69
CARR HARDWARE	44.92
Pete's Tire Barns, Inc	300.95
ATG WESTMINSTER	140.80
NAPA AUTO PARTS	356.56
	\$ 27,221.40
20421.14 2012 Interantioanl tandem axle	
ATG WESTFIELD LLC	232,010.00
	\$ 232,010.00
20421.44 Holidays	
CHASE CARRINGTON	1,737.84
CHASE CARRINTON	178.24
MATTHEW RADWICH	1,973.70
RODNEY SAVERY	2,239.80
	\$ 6,129.58

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	Expended	•
20421.55 Vacations		
CHASE CARRINGTON	356.48	
MATTHEW RADWICH	918.00	
RODNEY SAVERY	1,719.30	
	\$ 2,993.78	1
20422.00 Fuels		
CHESTER MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC	4,457.01	
RODNEY SAVERY	69.60	
TOWN OF CHESTER	667.94	
MIRABITO ENERGY PRODUCTS	16,416.50	
ADVANCED AUTO PARTS	248.24	!
DENNIS K. BURKE, INC	5,154.73	
	\$ 27,014.02	
20422.01 Unpaved Roads Material		
CHASE CARRINGTO N	-222.80	
CHASE CARRINGTON	222.80	! !
TONLINO & SONS, LLC	35,000.00	
	\$ 35,000.00	!
20423.00 Snow Removal		
CHASE CARRINGTON	6,149.28	
MATTHEW RADWCIH	946.55	
MATTHEW RADWICH	5,145.79	
MATTHWE RADWICH	413.04	
RODNEY SAVERY	7,481.89	
MARK COUCH	6,650.00	
JOHN S LANE & SON INC	4,959.47	
MORTON SALT INC	29,530.03	
R.I.BAKER CO.	2,363.90	
ZWACK, INC	3,722.73	
EASTERN MINERALS, INC	7,101.44	

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From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022 Expended 20423.00 Snow Removal HATHWAY CONSTRUCTION CO 4,364.63 KENS AUTO SALES INC 557.00 PECKHAM INDUSTRIES INC 2,114,46 HOWARD P. FAIRFIELD, LLC 861.35 SULLIVAN METALS CO INC 345.82 82,707.38 20424.00 Street Lights **EVERSOURCE** 446.63 446.63 30000.01 Gateway Reg Schl Assmnt GATEWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 382,407.00 \$ 382,407.00 30000.04 Vocational Education CITY OF NORTHAMPTON 18,679.00 Smith Vocational & Agricultural High School 18,679.02 CITY OF WESTFIELD 18,300.25 LECRENSKI BROS INC 18,125.00 73,783.27 30610.00 Library Expenses AMAZON BUSINESS CAPITAL 2,124.00 LIBRARYWORLD INC 0.00 LOIS LEONARDO-BELL 76.00 2,200.00 30610.11 Librarian Salary LOIS LEANARDO BELL 442.00 LOIS LEOARNDO BELL 442.00 LOIS LEONARDO BELL 2,656.00 LOIS LEONARDO-BELL 1,768.00 MARY BRESNAHAN 288.00 MARY CHIRSTINE BRESNAHAN 144.00 MARY CHRISTINE BRENAHAN 288.00

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		Expended	
30610.11 Librarian Salary			
MARY CHRISTINE BRESNAHAN		864.00	
MARY CHRISTINE BRESSAHAN		144.00	
	\$	7,036.00	
40543.00 Veterans Agent Salary			
CITY OF NORTHAMPTON		2,603.00	
	\$	2,603.00	
40543.04 War Memorials/Playground			
L.P.ADAMS CO INC	_	193.28	
	\$	193.28	
40544.00 basketball Court repairs			
THE CRACK MAN	•	500.00	
HARTLINE, INC	_	1,375.00	
	\$	1,875.00	
50491.00 Cemetery Expense			
RONALD RADWICH		2,844.00	
	\$	2,844.00	
50493.00 Cemetery Tree Removal			
LIBERTY HILL TREE CARE LLC	_	2,200.00	
	\$	2,200.00	
60210.00 Police Chiefs Salary			
JENNY DION		15,000.00	
	\$	15,000.00	
60210.01 Police Dept Expenses			
CHESTER MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC		1,468.44	
CITY TIRE CO., INC		0.00	
SENTRY UNIFORM & EQUIPMENT		1,259.15	
VERIZON		277.58	
VICTORIA SORRENTINO		60.00	
LAROCHELLE AUTO RESTORATION		0.00	
WMCOPA		100.00	
IMPACT POWER TECHNOLOGIES LLC		601.00	
ADVANCED AUTO PARTS		76.76	
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	Expended	
0210.01 Police Dept Expenses	•	
WMLEC	300.00	
TONYA SANTANIELLO	1,457.81	
GREATER BOSTON POLICE COUNCIL,INC	256.00	
C.W. ELECTRONICS	80.00	
JENNY DION	0.00	
INTEGRATIONPARTNERS	730.00	
MASS CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOC INC	884.00	
CARR HARDWARE	47.94	
VERIZON WIRELESS	2,004.46	
VERIZON WIRELESS	191.68	
	\$ 9,794.82	
0210.02 Police Cruiser		
CITY TIRE CO., INC	1,531.96	
LAROCHELLE AUTO RESTORATION	372.19	
MCANDREWS-KING	1,084.14	
	\$ 2,988.29	
0210.08 Police Officers' Compensation		
JENNY DION	6,255.00	
MARCUS MICHAEL	261.00	
MATTHEW RADWICH	2,556.00	
MICHAEL MARCUS	2,457.00	
TONY SANTANIELLO	198.00	
TONY SANTIELLO	423.00	
TONYA SANINELLO	252.00	
TONYA SANTANIELLO	4,518.00	
TONYA SANTINELLO	1,080.00	
	\$ 18,000.00	
210.09 Officer's Training		
JENNY DION	252.00	

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	F	Expended	
MICHAEL MARCUS		45.00	
TONYA SANTANIELLO		0.00	
TONYA SANTANIELLO		1,340.87	
PATRICK WINSLOW		200.00	
JENNY DION		1,505.48	
	\$	3,343.35	
60210.11 Constable Salaries			
CURT ROBIE		100.00	
CHARLES HUNTER		100.00	
	\$	200.00	
60210.12 Regional lockup			
HAMPSHIRE SHERIFF'S OFFICE		0.00	
	\$	0.00	
60210.13 CodeRED Notification System			
ONSOLVE, LLC	•	1,500.00	
	\$	1,500.00	
60210.80 EMS SERVICE			
ANN MARIE VISCONTI		14.15	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	\$	501.72 <b>515.87</b>	
60210.82 Emergency Management	Ψ	313.07	
AMAZON BUSINESS CAPITAL		0.00	
AWAZON BUSINESS CAPITAL	\$	0.00 <b>0.00</b>	
60210.88 Constable Expenses			
ONSOLVE, LLC		97.50	
	\$	97.50	
60220.01 Fire Dept Expenses			
CHESTER MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC		94.88	
L.P.ADAMS CO INC		383.96	
NUTMEG INTERNATIONAL		369.03	
LARRY PEASE		140.18	
PITTSFIELD COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS		576.86	
WESTFIELD EQUIPMENT SERVICE		976.95	
FIRE TECH & SAFETY		832.73	
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		Expended	
60220.01 Fire Dept Expenses			
HEIMAN FIRE EQUIPMENT INC		3,865.15	
AGT BATTERY SUPPLY LLC		152.14	•
BCFCA, INC		200.00	
MASSACHUSETTS FIRE TECH INC		285.80	
STEVE BAKER		448.00	
BERERON PROTECTIVE CLOTHING		5,896.91	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC		672.97	
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY FIRE DEFENSE ASSOC		600.00	
NORTHEAST MUNICIPAL LLC		2,357.00	
COUNTY AMBULANCE		55.00	
	\$	17,907.56	
60220.04 Fire Dept Dispatch Srv			
BERKSHIRE COUNTY SHERIFFS COMM. CTR		9,411.43	
	\$	9,411.43	
60220.09 Fire off road rescue vehicle			
RONNIE'S CYCLE SALES	_	26,254.18	
	\$	26,254.18	
60241.00 Building Inspector			
WILLIAM GIRARAD		800.00	
WILLIAM GIRARD		9,600.00	
	\$	10,400.00	
60241.01 Bldg. Comm.Expenses			
FULL CIRCLE TECHNOLOGIES INC		395.00	
	\$	395.00	
60292.00 Dog Officer's Salary			
TERRY DONOVAN		1,000.00	
	\$	1,000.00	
60292.01 Dog Expense			
TOWN OF BLANDFORD		178.69	
	\$	178.69	

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	Expended	
60292.10 Animal Inspector Exp	Aparana	
TERRY DONOVAN	275.00	
	\$ 275.00	
60292.15 Animal Inspector salary	•	
TERRY DONOVAN	475.00	
	\$ 475.00	
70231.00 Ambulance		
HINSDALE VOLUNTEER FIREMAN'S ASSN.	2,000.00	
	\$ 2,000.00	
70431.00 Disposal Area		
HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT CO	64.50	
HRMC	1,170.22	
L.P.ADAMS CO INC	17.24	
R.I.BAKER CO.	150.23	
WM CORPORATE SERVICES INC	14,910.53	
ANN MARIE VISCONTI	64.42	
COMMUNITY ECO POWER	9,083.92	
WM RECYCLE AMERICA	505.70	
F&G AGAWAM RECYCLING	1,380.01	
MCNAMARA TRANSFER STATION	1,040.58	
CARR HARDWARE	74.82	
Scott Artioli	213.23	
	\$ 28,675.40	
70431.04 Hilltown Resource Mgmt		
HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT CO	2,968.00	
	\$ 2,968.00	
70519.00 Bd of Health/Insp Salary		
BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COM	5,000.00	
70519.01 Board of Health Exp	\$ 5,000.00	
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BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COM	1,250.00 \$ <b>1,250.00</b>	1
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	Expended	
70522.00 Lee Visiting Nurse		
BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COM	2,625.00	
	\$ 2,625.00	
90192.01 Insurances		
MIIA PROPERTY & CASUALTY GROUP INC	33,230.00	
TRAVELERS CL REMITTANCE CENTER	289.00	
CHUBB & SON	12,410.00	
20102 02 Maint Dublic Duildings	\$ 45,929.00	
90192.02 Maint Public Buildings	226.22	
CROCKER COMMUNICATIONS	226.00	
LOCK SHOP OF BERKSHIRE COUNTY	0.00	
MACFARLANE OFFICE PRODUCTS	139.99	
PIONEER VALLEY PLANNING COMM	500.00	
R.I.BAKER CO.	507.50	
SAVERY ELECTRIC	846.80	
VERIZON	4,320.23	
WHITING ENERGY FUELS	6,253.29	
LEE AUDIO & SECURITY, INC	350.00	
KURT ZINNACK	305.00	
RICHCO PRODUCTS INC	137.72	
COMM OF MASS	150.00	
GEORGE PROPANE, INC	8,375.13	
RICHO PRODUCTS INC	137.72	
ALLSTATE FIRE EQUIPMENT	178.75	
EVERSOURCE	6,894.15	
VERIZON BUSINESS	9.52	
CRYSTAL MAIN	106.90	
MASSACHUSETTS FIRE TECH INC	391.50	

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	Expended	
POLSON ELECTRIC INC	1,855.00	
COMCAST	2,833.13	
BERKSHIRE LOCKSHOP INC	430.00	
NEXUS CONSULTING LLC	912.00	
BRETT THILBAULT ARCHITECT LLC	870.00	
CARR HARDWARE	69.97	
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$ 33.04 <b>36,833.34</b>	
90192.10 Comcast build out		
COMCAST	\$ 58,942.05 <b>58,942.05</b>	
90192.11 Town Hall Custodian		
CRSTAL MAIN	120.00	
CRYSTAL MAIN	2,979.50	
CYRSTAL MAIN	256.00	
SUZANNE LEMIEUX	1,785.00	
SUZANNE LEMIUEX	225.00	
COMCAST	\$ 4.80 <b>5,370.30</b>	
90192.99 Website/Technology		
STEPHEN HARRIS	2,468.68	
CAI TECHNOLOGIES	2,400.00	
STEPHEN HARRIS	\$ 1,489.48 <b>6,358.16</b>	: :
90195.00 Printing		
PARADISE COPIES, INC	\$ 630.50 <b>630.50</b>	
90198.00 Bidding Services		: : !
FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	\$ 1,700.00 <b>1,700.00</b>	

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	Expended	
90541.00 Council on Aging		
LOIS LEOANARDO BELL	300.00	
LOIS LEONARDO BELL	2,100.00	
LOIS LEONARDO-BELL	1,200.00	
LAURA LAFRENIERE	182.80	
SUZANNE LEMIEUX	259.31	
LEFTFIELD FARM	83.00	
AMAZON BUSINESS CAPITAL	803.55	
SERENA MERRILL RN BS CFCN	710.00	
TREETOP PRODUCTS INC	2,311.76	
NOREEN SURINER	79.30	
GATEWAY FARM PET	44.97	
ELEANOR DOYLE	250.00	
LOIS LEONARDO-BELL	94.65	
JUDY HOAG	59.37	
HIGHLAND VALLEY ELDER SERVICE3S	108.39	
	\$ 8,587.10	
00541.11 Senior Center Repairs		
BRETT THILBAULT ARCHITECT LLC	12,911.46	
	\$ 12,911.46	
00630.00 Recreation Expense		
CHRIS BRESNAHAN	125.98	
00044.00 G	\$ 125.98	
90911.00 County Retirement		
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT SYS	57,829.00 <b>\$ 57,829.00</b>	
90913.00 Unemployment Insurance	\$ 37,023.00	
70710.00 Onemployment insurance		
DUA	409.88	
COMM OF MASS	12.04	
COMM OF MASS	20.73	
	\$ 442.65	

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	Expended
90916.00 Social Security/Twn Share	
IRS	5,337.31
	\$ 5,337.31
90919.00 Health Insurance	
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY GROUP INS	34,999.12
	\$ 34,999.12
90947.00 Pioneer Valley Planning	
PIONEER VALLEY PLANNING COMM	90.53
	\$ 90.53
90950.00 Due to Stabilization	
TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD	40,000.00
	\$ 40,000.00

#### Expense Report - B&H

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	NERAL FUND	Previous	Original	Budget	Revised	Actual		
Account		Year's Bal	Budget	Revisions	Budget	Expended	Balance	% Exp
10011.11	Moderator		100.00		100.00		100.00	0.00 %
Total			100.00		100.00		100.00	
10111.00	Town Counsel		577.64		577.64	577.64		100.00 %
10122.01	Selectmens Expenses		1,868.31		1,868.31	1,868.31		100.00 %
10122.03	Copier Expense		917.50		917.50	917.50		100.00 %
10122.07	Administrative Assistant		15,420.00		15,420.00	15,420.00		100.00 %
10122.08	Recording Secretary	240.00	1,380.00		1,620.00	1,620.00		100.00 %
10122.11	Selectmen Salaries		6,500.00		6,500.00	6,500.00		100.00 %
10135.00	Town Accountant Salary		10,812.00		10,812.00	10,812.00		100.00 %
10135.01	Town Account Expenses		719.23		719.23	719.23		100.00 %
10135.12	Town Audit	18,000.00		2,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00		100.00 %
10141.01	Assistant Assessor			,	,	,		100.00 %
10141.02	Assessors Expenses		2,053.04		2,053.04	2,053.04		100.00 %
10141.03	Assessor Clerk		5,508.00	1,492.00	7,000.00	7,000.00		100.00 %
10141.11	Assessor Salaries		9,600.00		9,600.00	9,600.00		100.00 %
10141.12	Multi-town appraisal PP		3,400.00		3,400.00	3,400.00		100.00 %
10141.14	Assesors Tax Map Update	3,455.00	-1,385.00		2,070.00	2,070.00		100.00 %
10141.77	CAMA Software Support		3,715.00		3,715.00	3,715.00		100.00 %
10142.00	Assessors' Revaluation	4,000.00	-4,000.00			, , , , , , , ,		100.00 %
10145.00	Treasurer Salary	,	10,812.00		10,812.00	10,812.00	,	100.00 %
10145.01	Treasurer Expenses		427.00		427.00	427.00		100.00 %
10145.04	Tax Title Treasurer							100.00 %
10145.05	Treas/Accountant Software Supp		8,000.00	3,268.01	11,268.01	11,268.01		100.00 %
10145.11	Payroll Support		2,140.49		2,140.49	2,140.49		100.00 %
10146.00	Tax Collector Salary		10,812.00		10,812.00	10,812.00		100.00 %
10146.01	Tax Collector Expenses		883.36		883.36	883.36		100.00 %
10146.04	Tax Title		105.00		105.00	105.00		100.00 %
10161.11	Town Clerk Salary		6,700.00		6,700.00	6,700.00		100.00 %
10161.01	Town Clerk Expenses		728.26		728.26	728.26		100.00 %
10161.12	Assistant Town Clerk Salary		2,040.00		2,040.00	2,040.00		100.00 %
10162.00	Election & Registration		279.50		279.50	279.50		100.00 %
10175.00	Planning Board		213.32		213.32	213.32		100.00 %
10176.00	Zoning Board Expenses		169.28		169.28	169.28		100.00 %
10176.08	Communication Committee							100.00 %
10177.08	Conservation Commission Exp		273.00		273.00	273.00		100.00 %
Total	General Government	25,695.00	100,668.93	6,760.01	133,123.94	133,123.94		
20109.10	Chapter 90	-288,601.93			-288,601.93	77,023.25	-365,625.18	100.00 %
Total		-288,601.93			-288,601.93	77,023.25	-365,625.18	
20420.00	Highway Department Wages		143,259.09		143,259.09	143,259.09		100.00 %
20420.01	Sick Days		2,063.84		2,063.84	2,063.84		100.00 %
20420.02	Town Highway Maintenance		43,781.47		43,781.47	43,781.47		100.00 %
20421.01	Machinery Expenses		27,221.40		27,221.40	27,221.40		100.00 %
20421.14	2012 Interantioanl tandem axle		150,000.00	25,000.00	175,000.00	232,010.00	-57,010.00	132.57 %
20421.44	Holidays		6,129.58	65	6,129.58	6,129.58		100.00 %
20421.55	Vacations		2,993.78		2,993.78	2,993.78		100.00 %
20422.00	Fuels		35,014.02	-8,000.00	27,014.02	27,014.02		100.00 %
20422.01	Unpaved Roads Material		35,000.00		35,000.00	35,000.00		100.00 %
20422.07	Town Hall Paving	26,000.00			26,000.00		26,000.00	0.00 %
20423.00	Snow Removal	120	64,012.30	18,000.00	82,012.30	82,012.30		100.00 %

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01 - GEN	NERAL FUND	Previous	Original	Budget	Revised	Actual		
Account	Description	Year's Bal	Budget	Revisions	Budget	Expended	Balance	% Exp
20424.00	Street Lights		446.63		446.63	446.63		100.00 9
Total	Public Works & Facility	26,000.00	509,922.11	35,000.00	570,922.11	601,932.11	-31,010.00	
30000.01	Gateway Reg Schl Assmnt		382,407.00		382,407.00	382,407.00		100.00 %
30000.01	Vocational Education		78,350.02		78,350.02	73,783.27	4,566.75	94.17 9
	Education		460,757.02		460,757.02	456,190.27	4,566.75	
			2,200.00		2,200.00	2,200.00		100.00 9
30610.00	Library Expenses		7,036.00		7,036.00	7,036.00		100.00 9
30610.11	Librarian Salary							100.00 /
Total			9,236.00		9,236.00	9,236.00		
40543.00	Veterans Agent Salary		2,603.00		2,603.00	2,603.00		100.00 %
40543.01	Veterans Benefits							100.00 %
40543.04	War Memorials/Playground	10,000.00	-9,806.72		193.28	193.28		100.00 %
40544.00	basketball Court repairs		10,000.00		10,000.00	1,875.00	8,125.00	18.75 %
Total		10,000.00	2,796.28		12,796.28	4,671.28	8,125.00	
50491.00	Cemetery Expense		2,844.00		2,844.00	2,844.00		100.00 %
50493.00	Cemetery Tree Removal		2,200.00		2,200.00	2,200.00		100.00 %
Total			5,044.00		5,044.00	5,044.00		
60210.00	Police Chiefs Salary		15,000.00		15,000.00	15,000.00		100.00 9
60210.01	Police Dept Expenses		9,794.82		9,794.82	9,794.82		100.00 9
60210.02	Police Cruiser		2,988.29		2,988.29	2,988.29		100.00 9
60210.08	Police Officers' Compensation		18,000.00		18,000.00	18,000.00		100.00 9
60210.09	Officer's Training		3,343.35		3,343.35	3,343.35		100.00 %
60210.10	Police Cruiser			51,558.00	51,558.00		51,558.00	0.00 %
60210.11	Constable Salaries	100.00	200.00		300.00	200.00	100.00	66.66 9
60210.12	Regional lockup							100.00 9
60210.13	CodeRED Notification System		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00		100.00 9
60210.79	Up grade emergency Comm.	23,435.30		-23,435.30				100.00 9
60210.80	EMS SERVICE		515.87		515.87	515.87		100.00 %
60210.81	EMS Education							100.00 9
60210.82	Emergency Management							100.00 9
60210.88	Constable Expenses		97.50		97.50	97.50		100.00 9
60220.00	Fire Chief/Forest Wrd Sal	1,000.00	500.00		1,500.00		1,500.00	0.00 %
60220.01	Fire Dept Expenses	10,000.00	7,907.56		17,907.56	17,907.56		100.00 %
60220.02	Fire Dept Insp Salary	300.00	300.00		600.00		600.00	0.00
60220.04	Fire Dept Dispatch Srv		9,411.43		9,411.43	9,411.43		100.00
60220.08	Forest Fire							100.00
60220.09	Fire off road rescue vehicle		26,254.18		26,254.18	26,254.18		100.00
60241.00	Building Inspector	800.00	9,600.00		10,400.00	10,400.00		100.00 9
60241.01	Bldg. Comm.Expenses		395.00		395.00	395.00		100.00 9
60245.00	Electrical Inspector	100.00	100.00		200.00		200.00	0.00
60292.00	Dog Officer's Salary		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100.00
60292.01	Dog Expense		178.69		178.69	178.69		100.00 9
60292.10	Animal Inspector Exp		275.00		275.00	275.00		100.00 9
60292.15	Animal Inspector salary		750.00		750.00	475.00	275.00	63.33 9
60294.01	Insect Pest Control							100.00 9
Total	Public Safety	35,735.30	108,111.69	28,122.70	171,969.69	117,736.69	54,233.00	

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#### Expense Report - B&H

#### From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

UI - GE	NERAL FUND	Previous	Original	Budget	Revised	Actual		
Account	Description	Year's Bal	Budget	Revisions	Budget	Expended	Balance	% Ex
70231.00	Ambulance	31.PA J 31	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		100.00
Total			2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
70431.00	Disposal Area		26,000.00	2,675.40	28,675.40	28,675.40		100.00
70431.00	Capping Old Dump	5,000.00	20,000.00	-5,000.00	28,673.40	28,673.40		100.00
70431.04	Hilltown Resource Mgmt	3,000.00	2,943.00	25.00	2,968.00	2,968.00		100.00
Total	Timown Resource Figure	5,000.00	28,943.00	-2,299.60	31,643.40	31,643.40		100.00
	Discussion of the second	5,000.00		-2,277.00				
70519.00	Bd of Health/Insp Salary		5,000.00	0.50.00	5,000.00	5,000.00		100.00
70519.01	Board of Health Exp		300.00	950.00	1,250.00	1,250.00		100.00
70522.00	Lee Visiting Nurse		2,625.00	0.50.00	2,625.00	2,625.00		100.00
Total			7,925.00	950.00	8,875.00	8,875.00		
80752.00	Short Term Interest							100.00
Total	Debt							
90192.01	Insurances		43,929.00	2,000.00	45,929.00	45,929.00		100.00
90192.02	Maint Public Buildings		36,833.34		36,833.34	36,833.34		100.00
90192.10	Comcast build out	58,942.05			58,942.05	58,942.05		100.00
90192.11	Town Hall Custodian		5,100.00	270.30	5,370.30	5,370.30		100.00
90192.12	Maintenance Technician		270.30	-270.30				100.00
90192.96	Property Purchase (Myers)	10,000.00			10,000.00		10,000.00	0.00
90192.99	Website/Technology	5,000.00	1,358.16		6,358.16	6,358.16		100.00
90195.00	Printing		630.50		630.50	630.50		100.00
90198.00	Bidding Services		1,700.00		1,700.00	1,700.00		100.00
Total	Unclassified	73,942.05	89,821.30	2,000.00	165,763.35	155,763.35	10,000.00	
90541.00	Council on Aging	2,099.13	6,487.97		8,587.10	8,587.10		100.00
90541.11	Senior Center Repairs			95,192.00	95,192.00	12,911.46	82,280.54	13.56
Total		2,099.13	6,487.97	95,192.00	103,779.10	21,498.56	82,280.54	
90630.00	Recreation Expense		125.98		125.98	125.98		100.00
90691.00	Historical Commission		123.96		123.76	125.76		100.00
90691.01	Historical Records							100.00
90691.08	Agricultural Commission							100.00
Total	Agricultural Commission		125.98		125.98	125.98		100.00
90911.00	County Patiennant							100.00
	County Retirement Unemployment Insurance		57,829.00		57,829.00	57,829.00		100.00
90913.00			442.65	1 227 21	442.65	442.65		100.00
	Social Security/Twn Share Health Insurance		4,000.00	1,337.31	5,337.31	5,337.31		100.00
90919.00			35,254.84	-255.72	34,999.12	34,999.12		100.00
90947.00	Pioneer Valley Planning  Due to Stabilization		90.53		90.53	90.53		100.00
90951.00	Due to Capital Stabilization		40,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00		100.00
90952.00	Due to School Stabilization			61,250.00	61,250.00	61,250.00		100.00
	Unclassified		137,617.02	122,331.59	259,948.61	259,948.61		100.00
					239,940.01	239,948.01		
95781.00	Reserve Fund		10,000.00	-10,000.00				100.00
Total			10,000.00	-10,000.00				
Total Fu	nd 01	-110,130.45	1,479,556.30	278,056.70	1,647,482.55	1,884,812.44	-237,329.89	

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## Town of Middlefield Balance Sheet GENERAL ACCOUNTS ASSETS

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

#### **ASSETS**

CASH	Assets Liabi	lities
General Cash	1,077,138.32	
	TOTAL FOR CASH	1,077,138.32

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	Assets	Liabilities
Personal Property 2017	104.40	
Personal Property 2018	64.25	
Personal Property 2019	327.95	
Personal Property 2020	157.75	
Personal Property 2021	28.45	
Personal Property 2022	473.83	
TOTAL FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXE	S	1,156

REAL ESTATE TAXES	Assets	Liabilities
Real Estate Taxes F2000	1,144.54	
Real Estate Taxes F2001	0.01	
Real Estate Taxes F2002	2,491.72	
Real Estate Taxes F2003	833.08	
Real Estate Taxes F2004	943.05	
Real Estate Taxes F2011	520.17	
Real Estate 2014	111.20	
Real Estate 2016	13,809.93	
Real Estate 2017	1,481.97	
Real Estate 2018	5,141.80	
Real Estate 2019	7,982.34	
Real Estate	9,499.66	
Real Estate 2021	24,864.57	
Real Estate 2022	41,008.88	
Real Estate Taxes F1998	91.13	
Real Estate Taxes F1999	433.26	
TOTAL FOR R	EAL ESTATE TAXES	110,357.3

MOTOR VEHICLE EX TAXES		Assets	Liabilities
Motor Vehicle Ex 2006		432.30	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2007		272.08	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2008		232.46	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2009		603.96	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2010		3,053.44	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2011		95.48	
Motor Vehicle Ex		221.88	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2013		1,356.17	
Motor Vehicle 2015		131.82	
Motor Vehicle 2016		108.64	
Motor Vehicle Excise 2018		2,509.55	
Motor Vehicle Excise 2019		1,310.70	
Motor Vehicle 2020		6,542.50	
Motor Vehicle Excise 2021		3,078.57	
Motor Vehicle Excise 2022		4,801.62	

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#### **Balance Sheet GENERAL ACCOUNTS ASSETS**

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

TOTAL	EOD	MOTOD	VEHICL E	EVTAVEC
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24,751.17

TAX TITLES & POSSESSIONS		Assets	Liabilities	
Tax Titles		129,428.99		SHETT

TOTAL FOR TAX TITLES & POSSESSIONS

129,428.99

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS				Assets	Liabilities	
Highway Truck				125,000.00		
	TO	TAL FOR ESTIMA	TED RECEIPTS			125,000.00

GRANTS	Assets	Liabilities
Dept of Fire Service Grant	10,252.92	
Green Communities	6,503.25	
Root Road DOE	33,795.27	
	TOTAL FOR GRANTS	50,551.44

REVOLVING			Assets	Liabilities
Police Outside Detail			435.50	
	TOTAL FO	OR REVOLVING		435.50

PPROPRIATIONS BALANCES	Assets	Liabilities
Chapter 90	365,625.18	
2012 Interantioanl tandem axle	57,010.00	
TOTAL FOR APPROPRIATIONS BALANCES		422,635.18

TOTAL ASSETS 1,941,454.54

### Town of Middlefield **Balance Sheet GENERAL ACCOUNTS LIABILITIES**

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

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LIABILITIES				
PERSONAL PROPERTY	TAXES	Assets	Liabilities	
Personal Prop Taxes F2011			17.36	
Personal Property 2015			1.12	
	TOTAL FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES		_	18.48
REAL ESTATE TAXES		Assets	Liabilities	
Real Estate Taxes F2007		1200010	1,328.33	
Real Estate 2012			1,068.91	
Real Estate 2013			1,012.46	
Real Estate 2015			270.16	
Real Estate 2023			142.22	
Real Estate 2025	TOTAL FOR DEAL ESTATE TAVES		142.22	2 022 00
	TOTAL FOR REAL ESTATE TAXES			3,822.08
MOTOR VEHICLE EX TA	AXES	Assets	Liabilities	
Motor Vehicle 2014			133.87	
Motor Vehicle 2017			142.51	
Motor vehicle 2017	TOTAL FOR MOTOR VEHICLE EX TAXES		142.31	277.20
	TOTAL FOR MOTOR VEHICLE EXTRACES		-	276.38
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABL	Æ	Assets	Liabilities	
CHAPTER 90 REIMBURSI			352,718.18	
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		332,710.10	252 710 10
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		-	352,718.18
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS		Assets	Liabilities	
Unauthorized/Unissued			125,000.00	
	TOTAL FOR ESTIMATED RECEIPTS		120,000.00	125,000.00
	TOTAL TOKESTIMATED RECEIT IS		-	123,000.00
TEMPORARY LOANS		Assets	Liabilities	
Warrants Payable			327,125.74	
	TOTAL FOR TEMPORARY LOANS		_	327,125.74
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AGENCY		Assets	Liabilities	
Tac collector fees			746.59	
Deputy Collector Fees			1,572.01	
Town Clerk Agency			277.55	
Police Permits Due State			8,262.50	
Sale of Property			5,075.64	
FIRE DONATIONS			1,000.00	
Police Donations			2,000.00	
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Kitchen Repair Donation

Recreation-Basketball Ct

COA DONATIONS

library Gifts

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145.46

5,340.00

6,145.41

#### **Balance Sheet GENERAL ACCOUNTS LIABILITIES**

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

TOTAL FOR AGENCY

30,565.36

TAILINGS		Assets	Liabilities	
Town of Middlefield Revitaliza			1,750.00	
	TOTAL FOR TAILINGS			1,750.00

GRANTS		Assets	Liabilities	
Elections - State			6,607.46	
Heritage Days-Rec			40.00	
Historical Commission Donation			1,257.93	
St. Aid to Libraries			6,781.03	
Scale Grant			500.00	
SMRP-RECYCING PROGRAM			16,116.68	
COVID 19			4,159.18	
MASS WORKS GRANT			12,222.85	
DEP Recycling Grant			4,200.00	
Mun/ Emer disaster Relief			9,017.00	
ARPA funds			79,808.12	
RRSA FY 20			338.00	
MA Cultural Council			8,361.08	
Council on Aging - State			587.38	
EMPG Grant			2,241.30	
AED Equipment Grant			1,495.00	
SAMHSA CRA Grant			544.71	
Sale of Land			75,236.17	
Dept of Energy Grant			48.10	
	TOTAL FOR GRANTS			229,561.99

EVOLVING	Assets Liabilities	
ZBA fees	300.00	
BRPC/FULL CIRCLE	4,500.00	
Conservation Comm Revolv	1,814.69	
Zoning Board of Appeals/fees	235.00	
BOH Revolving	60.00	
Transfer Station Revolving	48,674.61	
Electrical Inspector Revolving	50.00	
TOTAL FOR REVOL	VING	55,634.3

CPTS RESVRD FOR APPROP	Assets	Liabilities	
Sale of Cemetery Lots		4,550.00	
Refunded Dog Tax		779.17	
TOTAL FOR RCPTS RESVRD FOR APPROP			5,329.17

OVERLAYS RES FOR ABATE	Assets Liabilities
Overlay all years	53,604.58
overlay 2019	7.47
Overlay 2021	750.90

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## Town of Middlefield Balance Sheet GENERAL ACCOUNTS LIABILITIES

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

OVERLAYS RES FOR ABATE	Assets	Liabilities	
Overlay 2022		3,796.90	
TOTAL FOR OVERLAYS RES FOR ABATE			58,159.85

REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COL	Assets	Liabilities
Tax Title & Poss. Revenue		129,428.99
Motor Vehicle Excise Rev		24,474.79
TOTAL FOR REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COL		153,903.7

SURPLUS REVENUE		Assets	Liabilities	
Surplus Revenue			412,283.94	
	TOTAL FOR SURPLUS REVENUE			412,283,94

PPROPRIATIONS BALANCES	Assets Liabilitie	S
Moderator	100.0	0
Town Hall Paving	26,000.0	0
Vocational Education	4,566.7	5
basketball Court repairs	8,125.0	0
Police Cruiser	51,558.0	0
Constable Salaries	100.0	0
Fire Chief/Forest Wrd Sal	1,500.0	0
Fire Dept Insp Salary	600.0	0
Electrical Inspector	200.0	0
Animal Inspector salary	275.0	0
Property Purchase (Myers)	10,000.0	0
Senior Center Repairs	82,280.5	4
TOTAL FOR APPROPRIATIONS BALANCES		185,305.29

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1,941,454.54

TOTAL LIABILITIES

## Town of Middlefield Balance Sheet TRUST FUNDS ACCOUNTS

From 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

TRUST FUNDS		Assets	Liabilities
Trust Cash		352,857.40	
Stabilization			292,222.87
Dickson Charity Fund			29,221.08
Cemetery PC			31,413.45
	TOTAL FOR TRUST FUNDS	352,857.40	352,857.40

#### **Appointed Boards**

#### **Agricultural Commission:**

Glennis Austin Cheryl Harper Maureen Sullivan Mitch Feldmesser

#### **Communication Committee:**

Steve Harris
Joseph Kearns

#### **Conservation Committee:**

Mitch Feldmesser Wayne Main Kim Baker Carol Waag Barry Bernard Alt David Fuller

#### **Council on Aging**

Suzanne Lemieux Judith Hoag Sharon Barry Patricia Jones Laura Lafreniere Crystal Main Marge Pierre Noreen Suriner

#### **Cultural Council:**

Eleanor Doyle Andrea Tosi Kathy Rock Nakaya Larry Pease Sharon Barry Christine Closek

#### **Historical Commission:**

Doreen Black
John Savery
Jane Craker
Julian Craker
Howard Knickerbocker

#### Registrar of Voters: one year term

Suzanne C Lemieux Lois Leonardo Bell Tamarin Laurel-Paine Charlene Gero

#### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

Mary Courtney Maureen Sullivan Sharon Venditti Jay Swift-Alt

#### **Annual Appointees**

Accountant **Bev Cooper** Administrator **Duane Pease** Animal Control Officer Terry Donovan **Animal Inspector Terry Donovan** Board of Health Agent Ed Fahey **Building Commissioner William Girard** Electrical Inspector Eric Main **Emergency Mgmt.** AnnMarie Visconti **Emergency Services** Crystal Kruszyna Fire Chief Ron Radwich Fire/Forest & Warden Ron Radwich **Police Chief** Jenny Dion Recycling Coord. Joseph Kearns Recycling Coord. 2<sup>nd</sup> **Skip Savery Recording Secretary** Suzanne Lemieux **Tax Collector** Mary Ann Pease Town Clerk Assist. Lois Leonardo Bell Transfer Station ATTD. Wayne Suriner Treasurer Kirsten Henshaw Tree Warden **Skip Savery** Veteran's Agent Steve

### Middlefield All Boards Meeting



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The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot.

MICHAEL ALTSHULER