

Talk with the Mayor

Tuesday July 11, 2017
 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
 City Hall
 1103 W. Main St.

4th of July Celebration

The 4th of July celebration is on schedule with a breakfast at the Fire District, a parade at noon down Main Street (Highway 44), afternoon activities, live music, and car show at Middleton Place Park, and fireworks about 10:00 pm by Middleton Fireworks Fund at Foote Park. See the Middleton Express for details about the parade route, afternoon activities, and car show entry forms.



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Highway 44 Resurfacing Project

This state-sponsored project is on schedule. The road downtown will be paved before for the 4th of July parade, but it will not be finished. The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), not city, has sole jurisdiction over Highway 44 and is doing its best to complete road repairs at night and on weekends to minimize interference with weekday traffic.

More than twelve thousand vehicles a day travel the road, so the city appreciates the numerous considerations offered by ITD during necessary repairs. The downtown Middleton portion of the project should be complete by the end of July 2017, and the Highway 44 resurfacing between I-84 and Eagle should be finished by the end of September 2017.

The city received reports of night-time truck work along the highway involving intermittent honking throughout the night. ITD says that horns are the only audible method of communication between workers on the ground during the roto-mill phase of construction. A roto-mill tills asphalt like a roto-tiller tills soil. A roto-mill machine lifts existing asphalt from the ground to a conveyor belt and into the back of a dump truck for removal. Roto-milling is anticipated a few more nights during July and then will be finished.

ITD estimates that the work in Middleton will be completed in mid-to-late-July. Paving will continue on Idaho 44 in other areas of Ada and Canyon counties until September.

To sign up for email updates from ITD, text IDAHO44 to 22828 or visit the project website at itd.idaho.gov.



Race Date: August 4th, 2017
 Race Time: 9:00 p.m.
 Place: Middleton Place Park
 Register at: raceentry.com

This is an evening race with neon color!

Sidewalks to Heights Elementary School

Paul Construction, the lowest responsive responsible bidder at \$247,000, was awarded the contract to construct approximately 1,900 lineal feet of sidewalk (6 feet wide) along Cemetery Road connecting West Highlands Subdivision to Concord St. Groundwork is mostly complete and some curbing has been poured. The sidewalk is scheduled to be poured in late June/early July in plenty of time before school begins. Thanks Paul Construction living up to your reputation of high-quality work at an affordable cost that residents count on!

Police Chief Resigns

Middleton Police Chief Brian Zimmerman resigned May 26, 2017 and we wish him well. Residents will always recognize him for coming out of retirement to form the Middleton Police Department. His contribution was significant ... Thank you Chief!

The vacant Police Chief job announcement has been advertised at the Police Officer Standards Training Academy, the Idaho Department of Labor, and on the city's website. The application deadline is July 10, 2017 with interviews to be scheduled the week of July 17, 2017.

\$30,000 Grant

The Idaho Department of Commerce partnered with the City of Middleton to help create jobs in Middleton. The project funded was a water well on Bass Ln. that was added to the city's public water system, and enabled Rule Steel to add facilities and dozens of employees. The well, well house, electronic controls, radio antenna for remote monitoring, and fencing cost about \$800,000. Rule Steel donated the property, and the Idaho Department of Commerce provided a total of \$355,000 in grant funds (\$225,000 and \$100,000 in 2016, \$30,000 in 2017). Thank you!

Piccadilly Park – Parking Lot

The city was awarded an \$800,000 federal grant through Valley Regional Transit to build a parking lot in Piccadilly Park that will also function as a Park & Ride lot with nearby bus bench and shelter. The bid received exceeded available funds by about \$150,000, so bids were rejected until comments from the Idaho Transportation Department regarding illumination and traffic control are approved. The city requested the project be let out to bid again as soon as possible so the parking lot can be constructed and paved this year, weather permitting.

A Financially Healthy Community

Middleton Connects is the vision of Middleton residents to have a livable, walkable, and healthy community. The city is using taxpayer dollars as effectively as possible and consistently seeks grant dollars: to repair and refurbish old city buildings rather than build new, to pave dirt roads and parking lots, to construct sidewalks, pathways and city park features, and to clean drainage facilities so water does not erode underneath roads.

These investments have vastly improved the livability and walkability in town, but what about a healthy community? Physically, children are going to parks more often and staying longer to have fun, i.e., exercise. Older adults and pet owners are walking more because of the growing sidewalk and pathway network.

Financially, home prices in Middleton demonstrate healthy property values. New homes that have been constructed and sold this year are selling for their asking prices, and existing homes are selling for 95% of the asking prices or higher. Middleton is a livable, walkable, and healthy community. Life is better here!

Middleton Police Call Report May 2017

Nature	# Calls	Definition
911 Disconnect	15	Unknown 911 calls, Accidental 911 calls
Agency Assist	77	Assisting other agencies (Health and Welfare, Fire, EMS, Other Law Enforcement)
Alarms	15	Residential, commercial, medical alarms
Animal Control	25	Animal Control: Stray animals, animals creating traffic hazards, animal bites, animal complaints
Code Enforcement	18	Parking
Community Policing	27	Officers interaction with residents solving problems, understanding community concerns
Drug Offense	2	Possessing, selling, distributing drugs
Fraud	3	Scams, attempting to collect money falsely
Juvenile Offense	10	Curfew, runaways, juveniles beyond control, loitering
Person Crime	13	Domestic battery, battery, rape, assault, harassment, mental subjects
Property Crime	14	Theft, burglary, vandalism
Public Offense	83	Disturbing the peace, suspicious, welfare check
Traffic Offense	23	Speeding, reckless driving, car crash
Other	12	Follow-up investigations, uncategorized calls

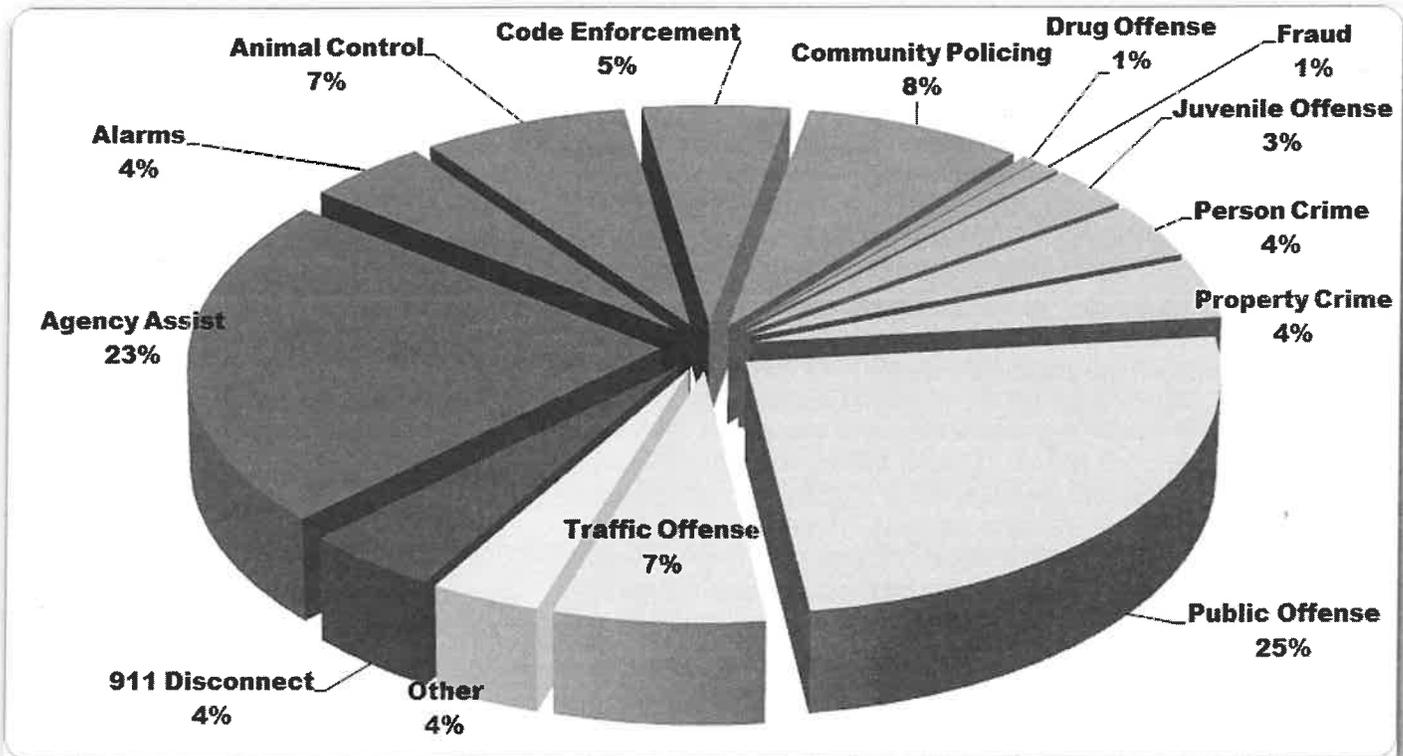
Total Calls 337

Total Calls for 2017 1301

Average Calls Per Day 8

Total Arrests 42

Totals reflect dispatch related calls, and do not include calls to the non-emergency line received at the police department, or traffic stops not resulting in a citation.



Local Government Taxing Districts

The city is made up of many different governing districts. It is important to understand that different districts have different leadership, rules, regulations and taxing abilities. This information should help when you have questions. Each of these districts has open meetings that can be attended to understand issues and provide input.

City of Middleton **585-3133**

City Council meetings: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., City Hall. The City owns and manages the building, planning and police departments, library, city water and sewer systems, streets and drains, and the following parks: Roadside Park, Centennial Grove, Middleton Place Park, and Piccadilly Park.

Cemetery District **585-9394**

Cemetery Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Cemetery District Office. Owns and manages the Middleton Cemetery.

Fire District **585-6650**

Fire District Meetings: 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Owns and manages Middleton Rural Fire District.

Greater Middleton Parks & Rec. District **585-3461**

Park & Rec. Board Meetings: 1st Thursday at the Parks and Rec. office. Owns and manages Hawthorne Park, Foote Park, and Ed Payne Park.

School District **585-3027**

School Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at 6:15 p.m. at the School District Office. Owns and manages all public schools in the Middleton area.

Calendar

City Hall Closed Activities at Middleton Place Park	July 4
City Council Public Meeting Rm. 6 N. Dewey Ave. 6:30 p.m.	July 5
Planning and Zoning Public Meeting Rm. 6 N. Dewey Ave. 7:00 p.m.	July 10
City Council Public Meeting Rm. 6 N. Dewey Ave. 6:30 p.m.	July 19

Building Permit History

Year	New Residential	Multi-Family Residential	Commercial	TOTAL
1995				11
1996				57
1997				75
1998				76
1999				144
2000	44	0	1	45
2001	48	0	1	49
2002	132	0	1	133
2003	115	0	1	116
2004	68	4 (34 Units)	7	84
2005	132	0	5	137
2006	184	0	6	190
2007	46	10 (30 Units)	4	60
2008	85	0	4	89
2009	31	0	4	35
2010	34	0	1	35
2011	23	0	2	25
2012	52	0	0	52
2013	140	0	3	143
2014	143	0	0	143
2015	119	0	0	119
2016	90	0	3	90
2017*	109	0	2	111

*As of 5-31-17



Emergency 911
Non-Emergency Phone
208-585-0008