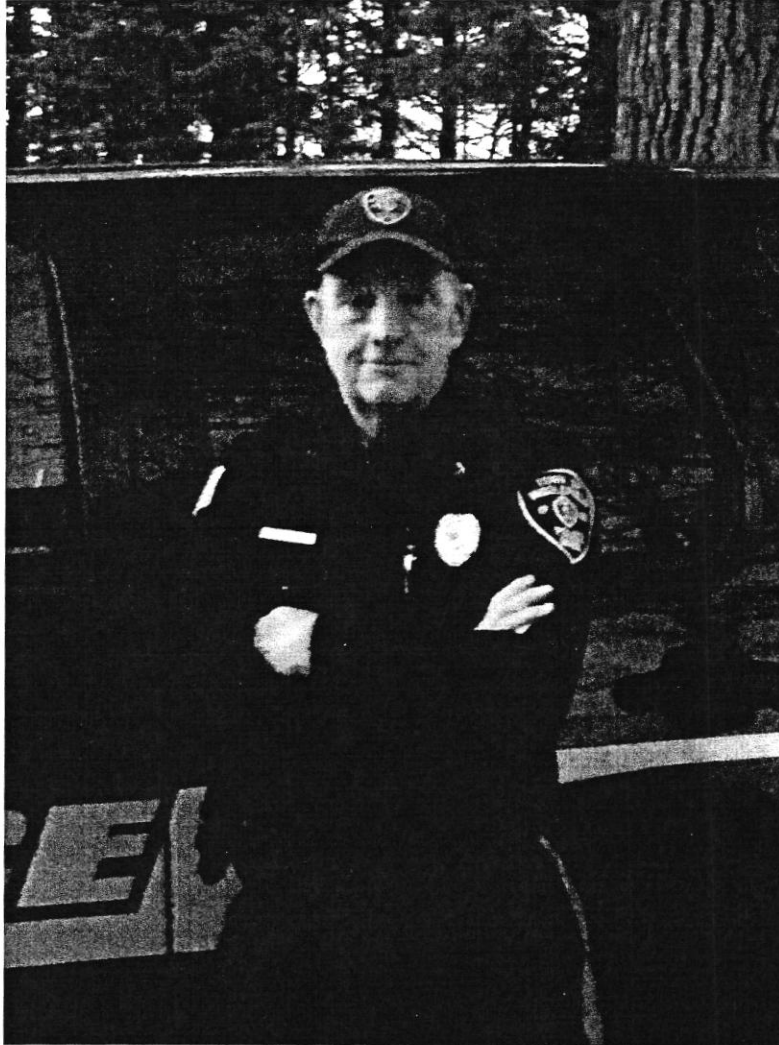


**THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF
MIDDLEFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**

FOR THE 2015 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015



Tom

Middlefield Town Offices &

Departments

Accountant

Beverly Cooper
413-623-2079
Saturdays 9am-1pm
accountant@middlefieldma.net

Assessors

Saturdays 9-11am
Friday 2-4
& by Appt.
assessors@middlefieldma.net

Board of Health Agent

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Building Commissioner

William Girard
Mondays 5-6:30pm
buildingcommissioner@middlefieldma.net

Fire Department- Emergency 911

Ron Radwich, fire Chief
413-623-6456

Library

Maryann Walsh, Librarian
Mon & Wed 3-7
Sat 9-noon
librarian@middlefieldma.net

Police Department-Emergency 911

Tom Austin, Police Chief
413-354-0776

Senior Center-Council on Aging

Judy Hoag, Director
Wednesday Lunch
Reservations: 413-623-9990

Tax Collector

Mary Ann Pease
413-623-5182
Fri 11:30am-4:00pm
Sat 8:30-10:30am
taxcollector@middlefieldma.net

Town Administrator

Duane Pease
413-623-2079
Tues-Thurs 9am-2pm
selectboard@middlefieldma.net

Town Clerk

Suzanne Lemieux
413-623-2079
Mon 3-6pm
Sat 9-noon
townclerk@middlefieldma.net

Town Garage

Skip Savery
Highway Superintendent
413-623-5532

Treasurer

Jane Thielen
413-623-2079
Sat 10am-2pm

Plumbing Inspector

William Zeitler
413-655-8101

Electrical Inspector

Eric Main
413-212-3021

Dedication

This year we are delighted to dedicate the annual report to “Chief” Austin, acknowledging his 34 years of consistent and level-headed service to the town as our police chief.

Tom moved to Middlefield in 1978 from Enfield, Connecticut. In 1982, his neighbor, Jack DeMoss, then the police chief, asked Tom if he would like to become the chief as Jack was about to retire from the position.

Tom accepted the position, along with the \$100 a year budget (not salary, folks, budget). He had to purchase his own gun and ran the department from his kitchen table. He was the only officer in town for most of the first ten years he held the chief’s position, and the first “cruiser” was a used Plymouth Volare purchased from the Huntington police department.

Over the years Tom has led the department to today with a staff of four other part-time officers and two cruisers. We have all appreciated Tom’s friendly demeanor and efficient operation of the department and Tom wanted it known how much he has appreciated how well he has been treated by the residents and various selectboards and how he appreciates the good relationships he has with the other officers.

Our town, of course, is not immune to the ills of society, and Tom has seen everything from attempted murders to burglaries to drug incidents along the way, but he looks forward to continuing to do the job for the next several years.

He and his wife, Glennis, have raised three girls, Kelley, Jenny, and Stacey, and countless farm animals, including the current herd of ten horses. They have never looked back on their move to Middlefield and wouldn’t want to live anywhere else.

Tom, you have done an excellent job for us and we deeply appreciate your dedication and performance.

Thank you so much!

