# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: January 29, 2024

# MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey0-42222-1114430(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)(Commission incorporation or organization)(I.R.S. Employer incorporation No.)

# 485C Route 1 South, Suite 400, Iselin, New Jersey 08830

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

#### 732-634-1500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
	Trading Symbol(s)  MSEX	Name of each exchange on which registered  NASDAQ
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Title of each class  Common Stock  Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emergence of the common stock.	MSEX erging growth company as defined in Rule	NASDAQ

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 29, 2024, the Board of Directors of Middlesex Water Company (the "Company") announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.325 per share on its common stock, payable on March 1, 2024 to shareholders of record as of February 15, 2024. A copy of the press release announcing the dividend declaration is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated into this Form 8-K by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description of Document

99.1 <u>Press Release issued by Middlesex Water Company, dated January 29, 2024.</u>

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf of the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY (Registrant)

/s/A. Bruce O'Connor

A. Bruce O'Connor Sr. Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 29, 2024

#### EXHIBIT 99.1

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Middlesex Water Company Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend

ISELIN, N.J., January 29, 2024 – Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ:MSEX) announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.325 per share on its common stock, payable March 1, 2024 to shareholders of record as of February 15, 2024. Middlesex Water Company has paid cash dividends in varying amounts continually since 1912.

Middlesex Water provides regulated and unregulated water and wastewater utility services primarily in New Jersey and Delaware through various subsidiary companies. To learn more about Middlesex Water, including information about its Investment Plan, visit the Investors section at www.middlesexwater.com.

#### ABOUT MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY

Established in 1897, Middlesex Water Company serves as a trusted provider offering life-sustaining high quality water service for residential, commercial, industrial and fire protection purposes. The Company offers a full range of water, wastewater utility and related services. An investor-owned public utility, Middlesex Water is a professional services provider specializing in municipal and industrial contract operations and water and wastewater system technical operations and maintenance. The company and its subsidiaries form the Middlesex Water family of companies, which collectively serve a population of half a million people in New Jersey and Delaware. Middlesex is focused on meeting the needs of our employees, customers, and shareholders. We invest in our people, our infrastructure and the communities we serve to support reliable and resilient utility services, economic growth and quality of life. To learn more about Middlesex Water, visit https://www.middlesexwater.com.

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of U.S. federal securities laws reflecting the current beliefs or expectations of Middlesex Water Company "MSEX" or the "Company" regarding its future performance, its financial condition, its strategic plans and cash flows, its results of operations as well as any other statements that do not directly relate to any historical or current facts. These statements reflect the Company's current views and information currently available. This information is based on estimates, assumptions and analysis that the Company believes, as of the date hereof, provide a reasonable basis for the information contained herein. Forward-looking statements can generally be identified by the use of forward-looking words such as "outlook," "believes," "expects," "potential," "continues," "may," "will," "should," "seeks," "approximately," "predicts," "intends," "plans," "estimates," "anticipates," "foresees." Actual results, performance or achievements may differ materially from forward-looking statements, and the assumptions on which forward-looking statements are based. There can be no assurance that the information contained herein is reflective of future performance, and investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a predictor of future performance. Unless otherwise specified, all information contained in this press release speaks only as of the date hereof. The Company undertakes no duty to update or revise the information contained herein, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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