



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT**

FY 2023-2024 BUDGET WORKSHOP

**TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023
6:00 PM**

MINUTES

The Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown was held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, beginning at 6:00 PM. This was a hybrid meeting, participants in-person in the Council Chamber and remotely, via WebEx. The meeting was also livestreamed on local public access cable television, on the City website, and on the City Facebook page. This meeting is the second of three (3) scheduled budget workshops for the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget.

Present:

Councilwoman Jeanette Blackwell
Councilman Grady Faulkner, Jr.
Councilman Darnell Ford
Councilman Anthony Gennaro, Sr.
Councilman Vincent Loffredo

Councilman Anthony Mangiafico
Councilman Michael A. Marino
Councilman Edward McKeon
Councilman Eugene Nocera
Councilman Philip Pessina
Councilwoman Linda Salafia

Absent: Councilwoman Meghan Carta

Also Present: Linda SK Reed, Clerk of the Common Council
Office Steven Dimassa, Middletown Police – Sergeant-at-Arms

Hon. Benjamin D. Florsheim, Mayor
August DeFrance, Old Burying Grounds
Philip Cacciola, Council of Veterans
William Curlin, Council of Veterans
Judge Joseph Marino, Probate Court
Ramona Burkey, Director- Russell Library
Brandie Doyle, Russel Library
Brig Smith, Esq., General Counsel
Joseph Fazzino, Director – Water & Sewer
Christopher Holden, Director – Public works

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor, Councilman Vincent Loffredo is serving as Chair for this budget workshop. He calls the workshop to order at 6:00 PM. The Councilmembers join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair begins the budget workshop presentations inviting spokespersons to the podium for each of the following items.

1. Old Burying Grounds

August DeFrance presented the budget and responded to questions asked by Councilmembers, as needed.

2. Council of Veterans

Philip Cacciola and William Curlin presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

3. Probate

Probate Judge Joseph Marino presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

4. Equal Opportunity & Diversity Management

Director Faith Jackson presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

5. Information Technology

The Chair announced that this presentation s postponed as the Department director was unable to attend.

6. Office of General Counsel

General Counsel Brig Smith presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

7. Water & Sewer

Director Joseph Fazzino presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

8. Public Works

Director Christopher Holden presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further discussion on the budget, the Chair closed the workshop at 9:15 PM.

ATTEST:
LINDA S.K. REED,
COMMON COUNCIL CLERK

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