



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

FY 2022-2023 BUDGET WORKSHOP

**MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022
6:00 PM
MINUTES**

The Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown was held as a hybrid meeting, participants in-person in the Council Chamber and remotely, via WebEx. The meeting was also livestreamed on the City of Middletown's Facebook page on Monday, April 11, 2022, at 6:00 PM. This meeting is the first of three (3) scheduled budget workshops for the proposed FY 2022-2023 budget.

Present:

Councilwoman Jeanette White Blackwell	Councilman Vincent Loffredo
Councilwoman Meghan Carta	Councilman Edward McKeon
Councilman Grady Faulkner, Jr.	Councilman Eugene Nocera
Councilman Darnell Ford	Councilman Philip Pessina
Councilman Anthony Gennaro, Sr.	Councilwoman Linda Salafia

Absent: Councilman Edward Ford, Jr.; Councilman Anthony Mangiafico

Also Present: Linda SK Reed, Clerk of the Common Council

Hon. Benjamin D. Florsheim, Mayor
Keisha Michael, Arts & Culture Coordinator
Carl Erlacher, CPA, Finance Director
Hon. Joseph Marino, Probate Judge
John Woron, Fire Chief
Robert Kronenberger, Emergency Management Director
Wayne Bartolotta, Central Communications Director
Eric Costa, Police Chief
John Lozefski, Police Lieutenant

Members of the Public: WebEx (1 attendee) and Facebook livestream (unknown number of viewers)

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor, Councilman Vincent Loffredo is serving as Chair for this budget workshop. He calls the workshop to order at 6:04 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. Mayor

The proposed Budget for FY 2022-2023 was introduced and presented by Mayor Benjamin Florsheim, including details for the Mayor's office. Councilmembers asked questions as needed.

2. Arts & Culture

Arts & Culture Coordinator Keisha Michael presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

3. Treasurer

Finance Director Carl Erlacher, CPA presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

4. Finance Department

Finance Director Carl Erlacher, CPA, presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

5. Tax Collector

Finance Director Carl Erlacher, CPA presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

6. Probate Court

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

7. Fire Department

Fire Chief John Woron presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

8. Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director Robert Kronenberger presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed

9. Central Communication

Director Wayne Bartolotta presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

10. Police Department

Police Chief Eric Costa presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

11. Animal Control

Police Chief Eric Costa 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 9:20 PM.

ATTEST:

LINDA S.K. REED,
COMMON COUNCIL CLERK

K: review/ minutes/ 22 April 11 – budget workshop #1 – 11 April 2022