



**COMMON COUNCIL
MIDDLETOWN CONNECTICUT**

**SPECIAL MEETING
FY 2023-2024 WATER RATE PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023
6:45 PM**

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A Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown – the public hearing on FY 2023-2024 water rates -- was held on Monday, May 1, 2023, beginning at 6:45 PM. This meeting was a hybrid meeting with in-person participation in the Common Council Chamber and remote access via WebEx. The meeting was also simultaneously livestreamed on local cable access television, on the City's webpage, and on the City's Facebook page.

Present:

Councilwoman Jeanette Blackwell	Councilman Vincent Loffredo
Councilwoman Meghan Carta	Councilman Anthony Mangiafico
Councilman Grady Faulkner, Jr.	Councilman Michael A. Marino
Councilman Darnell Ford	Councilman Edward McKeon
Councilman Anthony Gennaro, Sr.	Councilman Eugene Nocera
	Councilwoman Linda Salafia
Hon. Benjamin Florsheim, Mayor	
Linda Reed, Clerk of the Common Council	
Officer Scrivo, Middletown Police - Sergeant-at-Arms	

Absent:

Councilmember Philip Pessina
Daniel Ryan, Esq. – Corporation Counsel

Also Present:

Economic & Community Development – Bobby Knoll Peterson, Acting Director
Library – Ramona Burkey, Director
Public Works- Christopher Holden, PE, Director
Recreation – Cathy Lechowicz, Director
Technology Services – Brianna Skowera, Director
Water & Sewer – Joseph Fazzino, Director

Public: in-person: 3 WebEx: 1 Facebook: unknown

1. Call to Order

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 6:45 PM. He welcomes everyone to the Special Meeting of the Common Council, the public hearing for FY 2023-2024 water rates.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The Chair asks the Common Council and members of the public to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Council Clerk Reads the Call of the Meeting and Mayor declares call a legal call and meeting a legal meeting

The Clerk of the Common Council reads the Call of the Meeting and the Chair declares the call a legal call and the meeting a legal meeting.

2. Public Hearing Opens

Water Billing Schedule, Water Use, and Meter Charges

The Chair opens the public hearing at 6:49 PM. Any member of the public looking to speak may do so. Each speaker will have a maximum of five (5) minutes to speak. For those in the Chamber, members of the public may come to the podium. Those participating remotely may use the WebEx hand raise function to alert that Chair that they wish to speak. The Chair will alternate between speakers in the Chamber and remote speakers during the course of this public hearing. Each speaker will have a maximum of five (5) minutes to speak. Speakers are asked to state their name and address for the record. The public hearing is limited to 30 minutes.

If, at that time, there are additional speakers, the Council may vote to extend the public hearing portion of the meeting.

3. Public Hearing Closes

There being no comments, the public hearing is closed at 6:50 PM.

4. Meeting adjourned

There being no further business, the Chair calls for a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Eugene Nocera moves to adjourn. Councilwoman Jeanette Blackwell seconds them motion.

There being no discussion, the Chair calls for a voice vote. The motion is approved unanimously by a vote of 11-0. (AYE: Councilmembers Blackwell, Carta Faulkner, Ford, Gennaro, Loffredo, Mangiafico, Marino, McKeon, Nocera, and Salafia; ABSENT: Councilman Pessina.) The matter is approved.

The meeting is adjourned at 6:50 PM.

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