



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

**FY 2019-2020 BUDGET WORKSHOP
APRIL 16, 2019
6:00 PM**

DRAFT MINUTES

The Special Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown as held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on Monday, April 16, 2019, at 6:00 PM. This meeting is the second of three (3) scheduled budget workshops for the proposed FY 2019-2020 budget.

Present: Councilwoman Mary Bartolotta Councilman Sebastian Giuliano
Councilman Robert Blanchard Councilman Eugene Nocera
Councilman Carl Chisem Councilman Philip Pessina
Councilman W. Vance Cotton Councilwoman Linda Salafia
Councilman Gerald Daley Councilman Robert Santangelo
Councilman Grady Faulkner, Jr.

Absent: Councilwoman Deborah Kleckowski

Also Present: August DeFrance – Old Burying Grounds
Council of Veterans – John DiMauro, Commander, and Philip Cacciola
Geen Thazhampallath, Esq. – Director – Parking Department
Faith Jackson, Director – Office of Equal Opportunity & Diversity Management
Lisa Seymour, Director – Transit District
Bryan Skowera, Director – Technology Services
Brig Smith, Esq. General Counsel – Legal Department/Office of General Counsel
William Russo, Director – Public Works/Parks Department
Michael Harris, PE – Energy Coordinator
Sergeant-at-Arms -- Middletown Police Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER: Councilman Robert Santangelo is serving as Chair for this budget workshop. He calls the workshop to order at 6:00 PM. The Councilmember and members of the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. PROPOSED DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

- 1. Old Burying Grounds**
Old Burying Grounds representative August DeFrance presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.
- 2. Council of Veterans**
Commander John DiMauro and Philip Cacciola presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.
- 3. Parking Department**
Parking Department Director, Geen Thazhampallath, Esq. presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.
- 4. Office of Equal Opportunity & Diversity Management**
Office of Equal Opportunity & Diversity Management Director Faith Jackson presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.
- 5. Transit District**
Transit District Director Lisa Seymour presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.
- 6. Legal Department/ Office of General Counsel**
General Counsel Brig Smith, Esq., presented the budget and responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

7. Public Works/ Parks Department

Public Works Director William Russo presented the budget. Mr. Russo and Energy Coordinator Michael Harris responded to questions asked by the Councilmembers, as needed.

C. MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further discussion on the budget, the Chair states that he will entertain a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Grady Faulkner moves to adjourn. Councilman Robert Blanchard seconds the motion.

There being no discussion, the Chair calls for the vote. It is approved unanimously with 11 aye votes. The Chair states the matter passes with 11 affirmative votes.

The meeting is adjourned at 7:45 PM.

ATTEST:

LINDA S.K. REED,
COMMON COUNCIL CLERK

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