



**REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 1, 2013
7 P.M.**

- 1. Mayor calls meeting to order.**
 - A. (Pledge of Allegiance)
 - B. (Council Clerk Reads the Call of the Meeting and Mayor declares call a legal call and meeting a legal meeting.)

- 2. Accept/Amend the Agenda.**

- 3. Presentations**
 - A. Congratulating the Middletown High School Dance Team for being the 2013 CIAC Champions in High School Jazz and Hip Hop.
 - B. Congratulating the Mercy High School Basketball Team on the Class LL Championship Title. (Awaiting information)
 - C. Congratulating St. Mary's Basketball Team on winning their championship.
 - D. Thanking Water and Sewer Employees for maintaining the quality of the City's water during the Blizzard of 2013.

- 4. Mayor requests motion to approve minutes of:**
 - A. Regular meeting of March 4, 2012 at 7 p.m.;
 - B. Special Meeting of March 4, 2012 at 6 p.m.;
 - C. Special Meeting of March 14, 2013 at 7 p.m.;
 - D. Special Meeting of March 14, 2013 Immediately following the 7 p.m. Community Meeting.

- 5. Public Hearing on Agenda Items Opens to include the Bond Ordinance for the Water Department as seen below.**

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$750,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, REPLACEMENT AND REHABILITATION OF POTABLE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$750,000 BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE. (Public Hearing only)

- 6. Public Hearing on Agenda Items Closes.**

7. Mayor requests Council Clerk to read appropriation requests, and the Certificate of Director of Finance.

Vote on Appropriations:

- A. Emergency Management: \$8,000, Account No.1000-25500-55185, Contractual Services, General Fund.
- B. Public Works: \$450,000, Account No. 1000-22000-51360-0226, Winter/Snow Overtime, General Fund.
- C. Town Clerk: \$8,000, Account No. 1000-04000-55185, Contractual Services, General Fund.
- D. An Ordinance Appropriating \$500,000 For The Planning, Design, Construction, Replacement And Rehabilitation Of Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure And Authorizing The Issue Of \$500,000 Bonds Of The City To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose

8. Department, Committee, Commission Reports and Grant Confirmation Approvals:

- A. City Clerk's Certificate
- B. Monthly Reports:
 - Finance Department – Transfer Report to, March 25, 2013
 - Public Works Monthly Report with summary/Building Permits for Feb., 2013
- C. Grant Confirmation and Approval – Board of Education, Various Grants
- D. Grant Confirmation and Approval – Health Department, H1N1, MDA-36
- E. Grant Confirmation and Approval – Health Department, Kids Health and Safety Day
- F. Emergency Purchase – Public Works for Xenelis Construction for snow removal and clean-up after the blizzard (Storm Charlotte) in the amount of \$73,900.
- G. Emergency Purchase – Public Works for DeRita and sons for emergency snow removal after the blizzard (Storm Charlotte)
- H. 2012/2013 Hiring Report, 2nd Quarter – Human Relations Department
- I. Eckersley-Hall Building Committee Progress Report

9. Payment of all City bills when properly approved.

10. Resolutions, Ordinances, etc.:

- A. Approving the merger of the Personnel Department into the Legal Department to create a new Department to be known as the Office of the General Counsel; approving amending all references to the Legal Department and City Attorney in the code of ordinances to "Office of the General Counsel"; and approving adding a new Section 31-29. Composition; purpose. to Chapter 31, Article IV to delineate three divisions of the Office of the General Counsel: Legal Division, Risk Management Division, and Human Resources Division.

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- B. Approving adding a new Article V. Personnel Department to Chapter 31 of the City of Middletown Code of Ordinances to eliminate the Personnel Department and to change all references from the Personnel Department or the Department of Personnel to "Human Resources Division of the Office of the General Counsel."
- C. Congratulating the Honor Students of the Middletown High School Class of 2013.
- D. Approving supporting the proposed change to the Connecticut State Statutes to ensure that private police duty mishaps requiring Workers' compensation expenses will hold the private entity responsible for such expenses.
- E. Approving amending the job description for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Sanitation, Teamsters Local #671, Salary Grade 11 (\$23.24 - \$34.38) with the job description to be included in the City's Classified Plan.
- F. Approving amending the job description for the position of Deputy Assessor, Grade 13, Teamsters, Local #671 (\$26.24 - \$38.83) with the job description to be included in the City's Classified Plan and the funding for the Assistant Assessor is to be reduced to \$1.
- G. Approving a new job description entitled Director of Human Resources, Salary Grade 17, Non-bargaining, Exempt (\$33.21 - \$49.16), 40 hours for inclusion in the City's Classification Plan; removing the positions of Director of Personnel and Deputy Director of Personnel from the Classification Plan; the new position and title and the removal of the old positions will take effect upon the date of the merger of the departments.
- H. Approving renaming the job description for the Deputy City Attorney to Deputy General Counsel and all references to the Legal Department be amended to read Office of the General Counsel/Human Resources with no change in salary.
- I. Approving renaming the job description for the City Attorney to General Counsel and all references to the Legal Department be amended to read the Office of the General Counsel/Human Resources with no change in salary.
- J. Approving the creation of a new Police Department CNR line item in the FY 2013 entitled Office Furniture
- K. Approving authorizing the Mayor to sign an application to the State of Connecticut for \$60,000 from the Local Capital Improvement Program for the purchase and installation two floating wooden dock structures at Harbor Park and approving creating a new Capital Improvement line item, Public Safety Docks in the amount of \$60,000 in the Capital Plan.
- L. Approving authorizing the Mayor to sign an application to the State of Connecticut for a \$50,000 Local Capital Improvement Program to replace the alerting system and various other emergency communication equipment to bring the Middletown Fire department into FCC mandated compliance and approving creating a new Capital Improvement line item entitled Emergency Communications in the amount of \$50,000 in the Capital Plan.

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- M. Approving creating a nine member Veterans' Memorial Park Renovation Committee to develop a master plan for Veterans' Memorial Park to include the Military Museum, the Trees of Honor memorial and any other facilities that are deemed appropriate.
- N. Approving amending Chapter 1, Article I, Section 1-19 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances to allow changes in adopted ordinances regarding references to "City Attorney" amended to "General Counsel"; "Deputy City Attorney" amended to "Deputy General Counsel"; and "Personnel Director" amended to "Director of Human Resources."
- O. Approving amending Section 262-16 Dumping Snow in highway; parking ban for snow removal of Chapter 262 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances to allow fines for shoveling snow from sidewalks into any public highway in the City and to allow for fines for violators of parking bans.

11. Mayor's Appointments.**12. Contingency Fund Transfers (none).****13. Questions to Directors on Nonagenda Items.****14. Meeting adjourned.**