



**SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 15, 2013
7 P.M.**

Special Meeting

The Special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown was held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 7 p.m.

Present

Mayor Daniel T. Drew, Council Members Thomas J. Serra, Ronald P. Klattenberg, Mary A. Bartolotta, Gerald E. Daley, Robert P. Santangelo, Hope P. Kasper, Philip J. Pessina, Joseph E. Bibisi, Linda Salafia, Todd G. Berch and Deborah Kleckowski. Daniel B. Ryan (Corporation Counsel)

Absent

Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr.

Also Present

Cassandra Day (PATCH), Shawn Beals (Hartford Courant), Alex Geacan (Press), 6 members of the public.

Meeting Called to Order

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and The Mayor leads the public in the pledge of Allegiance.

Call of Meeting Read

The Call of the meeting is read and accepted. The Mayor declares this call a legal call and the meeting a legal meeting.

Public Hearing Opens

The Chair opens the public meeting at 7:07 p.m. Earle Roberts hopes they are not supporting the Mayor's budget, but hopes there is not tax increase and gets money back. There is waste and the perks and junkets for directors on trips; he hopes they are not paid for by the taxpayers. The Public Works Inspector is not needed and he hopes it is not in there. It is critical to know how our representatives stand especially in an election year and hopes they will explain their opposition. He hopes they vote for this by roll call. He wants a reprieve. He is looking forward to the final result and hopes it is a tax break for all of us.

Public Hearing Closes

Mayor closes public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Agenda Item 4A

The Chair recognizes Councilman Klattenberg who states he has resolution 4A, substitute 4A, Adopting the General Fund Budget. He asks to read it along with the Majority's Statement which explains the changes they are making. He reads:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That the City of Middletown General Fund Budget for fiscal year July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 as prepared by the Mayor and advertised in the Hartford Courant on April 24, 2013, is hereby approved and adopted with the following changes:

The following are adjustments made to the Mayor's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 now being proposed by the Democratic Caucus ("the Caucus"). In preparing these changes, the Caucus took into consideration the City's goals and objectives as outlined by the Mayor in his budget statement, information provided by directors during three budget workshops, information obtained by Council members during budget deliberations and other pertinent sources of data. The Minority Leader and Republican Council members also made thoughtful and sound recommendations which are incorporated in the budget now being presented. It is important to note that the Caucus was especially challenged by an additional municipal revenue shortfall of over \$1.2M as proposed by the CT Legislature's Appropriations Committee. On the expense side:

Expense:

Title: Mayor's Salary (Mayor)

Line Item: 1000-01000-51110-001000000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$6,667

Reason: The Mayor's salary has not increased since 2007. Current compensation is unrealistic given the roles and responsibilities of the position and salaries of comparable Chief elected Officials.

Title: Grant Writer (Finance)

Line Item: 1000-03000-51110-0030-00000-0000-000; 1000-01000-55185-0010-00000-0000-000

Action; eliminate \$75,000; Transfer \$50,000 to Mayor's Contractual Services (Grants Consultant)
Reason: Rather than hire a full-time employee with benefits without a full understanding of the types and value of grants the City could be awarded, the Caucus believes it would be prudent to first hire an individual or group of individuals specializing in grant writing that would include their compensation in the grant applications. This has been done successfully in other cities and town in Connecticut.

Title: Treasurer's Salary (Treasurer)
Line Item: 1000-02000-51220-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: Reduce \$750 (currently, \$4,750)
Reason: Cost saving measure.

Title: Electricity (Finance)
Line Item: 1000-03000-54220-0030-00000-0000-000
Action: Reduce \$90,178
Reason: Current electricity expenditures and usage trends support this reduction.

Councilman Klattenberg turns to Councilman Daley who reads the following:

Title: Deputy City Attorney (General Counsel)
Line Item: 1000-05000-51110-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: Reduce \$121,264
Reason: Allow the recent reorganization of the Legal Department to mature before this position is added to the workforce. It will be reconsidered during the next budget cycle.

Title: Court Costs (Legal)
Line Item: 1000-05000-55130-0050-00000-0000-000
Action: Reduce \$10,000
Reason: Court costs are expected to be lower due to in-house legal staff expertise and departmental goals.

Title: Council Stipends (Common Council)
Line Item: 1000-12000-51220-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: Increase \$2,880
Reason: Rescinding the 5% stipend reduction taken by council member in 2009.

Title: Sunday Openings (Library); Clerks – Circulation; Clerks – Tech Services; Older Adult Specialist; Jobs and Career Specialist
Line Item: 1000-0700051215-0000-00000-0000-000
1000-07000-51345-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: Shift \$28,058 from Sunday openings to part-time staffing needed during regular library hours: Clerk – circulation (\$18,061); clerk –tech services (\$5,221); Older Adult Specialist (\$2,359); Jobs & Careers Specialist (\$2,359)
Reason: Responds to Director's comments and needs recommended at the budget hearing.

Title: Sunday Opening Overtime (Library)
Line Item: 1000-07000-51345-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: \$28,058
Reason: The circulation of library material is greatest when the library is open on Sunday's. The Caucus believes it is the best interest of the community to continue to offer Sunday hours unless city financial conditions change and this item needs to be re-evaluated.

Title: Conferences (Finance)
Line Item: 1000-03000-52110-0033-00000-0000-000
Action: Increase \$300
Reason: Responds to Human Relation's Director's comments and importance of additional workforce training.

Councilman Klattenberg continues to read as follows:

Title: Manager of Senior Center (Senior Affairs)
Line Item: 1000-13000-51110-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: Add \$30,000
Reason: Current senior center staffing lacks the ability to meet the growing demands of the city's senior population especially at a time when a new senior and community center is under construction. Completion of the new Senior Center is anticipated within 9-12 months after construction begins this summer. This position is budgeted to be filled mid-year beginning in early, 2014.

Title: Economic Development Specialist (Planning, Conservation and Development)
Line Item: 1000-14000-51110-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: Increase \$44,600
Reason: The Mayor's budget did not fund the position through Oct, 2013 when the employee in this position is retiring. The position should be refilled in the spring, 2014.

Title: Professional Development (Personnel)
Line Item: 1000-17000-55100-0000-00000-0000-000
Action: Increase \$2,000
Reason: The increase responds to the City's need for more training in the areas of: effective management/supervision, communication and inter-personnel skills.

Title: Assistant Building Official (Public Works-Building)

Line Item: 1000-22000-51110-0221-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$47,239

Reason: this increase responds to the significant growth in construction now being seen in Middletown as evidenced by the number of building permits being issued and two warehouse projects soon to begin. The addition of this position is critical given the department's current staffing level.

Title: Hepatitis Shots (Emergency Management)

Line Item: 1000-25500-52110-0000-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$1,200

Reason: Responds to Director's comments.

Title: South Green Holiday Tree Lighting (Grants)

Line Item: 10000-26500-59200-0724-00000-0000-000; 1000-27000-57030-0708-00000-0000-000

Action: Transfer \$10,000 from Grants to miscellaneous Expense

Reason; Match not required; fund shifted to Parks Department

Councilman Daley states before he continues reading the resolution, there is not an addition of \$28,058 for Sunday Library Openings; that line item is being reduced to \$1 to keep it open just in case they decide that it warrants reconsideration. Councilman Klattenberg comments and Councilman Daley states that the dollars are not in the substitute resolution 4A. The Chair asks Councilman Klattenberg to save amendments until after the resolution has been read into the record.

Councilman Daley continues and reads as follows:

Title: Tree Service (Public Works)

Line Item: 1000-22000-55475-0226-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$7,000

Reason: This increase responds to public concerns for budget shortfalls for tree replanting and maintenance given Middletown's pride in trees (Tree City, USA) and serious lack of tree maintenance and replacements. Additional funds to be used for city maintenance, especially tree pruning.

Title: Tree Planting and Replacement (Urban Forestry)

Line Item: 1000-27000-52110-0710-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$10,000

Reason: The increase responds to the public concerns for a budget shortfall to address tree replanting and maintenance given Middletown's pride in trees (Tree City, USA). These funds should be used exclusively for tree replanting. It is important to note that the City of Middletown has also become a participant in the Home Energy Solutions initiative sponsored by the Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund. The program is a partnership with NE Conservation Services and Victory Energy Solutions. For each home energy audit performed the companies will contribute \$25 to Middletown's tree fund. The potential for additional funds for city trees could be significant with large homeowner participation.

Title: Old Burying Grounds (Old Burying Grounds)

Line Item: 1000-26500-59200-0730-00000-0000-000

Action: Add \$20,000

Reason: Responds to presented need to begin renovations of the Vine Street cemetery.

Title: Professional Memberships

Line Item: 1000-27000-52165-0000-00000-0000-000

Action: Reduce Mid-State Regional Planning Agency (\$152); Eliminate Connecticut Regional Council of Governments (\$4,985)

Reason: Represents information presented to the Council at the budget workshop.

Title: Other Services

Line Item: 1000-27000-5540-0000-00000-000-000

Action: Increase Chamber's workfare program \$4,500; Reduce Chamber Student Work Program \$15,000

Reason: The Council agreed to match the Chambers 2013 Workfare Program. Fund raising has exceeded the Chamber's expectations causing the need for this additional match.

Councilman Klattenberg reads as follows:

Title: Youth Services

Line Item: 1000-0600-512220-00000-0000-000

Action: Add \$23,999

Reason: The Caucus believes there should be opportunities for students to receive summer job training and skills. In past years, many students helped perform important clerical and field work for various city departments. While the level of funding has already been reduced thereby limiting the number of students able to utilize the program, the Caucus supports having 1-2 students assist multiple city departments rather than assign one student per department. Any additional funds available for student labor to be applied to field projects.

Title: Health Insurance Benefits (Benefits)

Line Item: 1000-28000-51530-0000-00000-0000-000

Action: Reduce \$500,000

Reason: Due to the healthy retirement fund (OPEB) established by the council several years ago it has generated approximately a 10% return annually. Therefore, saving the taxpayers by making this reduction represents sound business practice.

Title: Property Casualty (Benefits)

Line Item: 1000-2900-52230-0000-00000-0000-000

Action: Reduce \$100,000

Reason: Due to the current healthy reserve fund (>\$1M) and lower deductibles, as well as, a very good claims experience over the past year this reduction represents sound business practice.

Title: Workers Compensation (Benefits)

Line Item: 1000-29000-51510-0000-00000-0000-000

Action; Reduce \$100,000

Reason: Due to the current healthy reserve fund (>\$4M), as well as, good claims experience over the past year this reduction represents sound business practice.

Title: Education (Education)

Line Item: 1000-33000-57010-0000-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$124,000

Reason: This funding was requested by the BOE. The increase will be used to limit class sizes and fund student programs.

Title: Education (Education)

Line Item: 1000-33000-57010-0000-00000-0000-000

Action: Reduce: \$1,168,086

Reason: It has come to the City's attention that the Board of Education's (BOE) Educational Alliance Grant will increase by the amount shown. These funds will not be credited to the City's General Fund but go directly to the BOE. This reduction and a corresponding reduction in the revenue line (see Revenues) will properly account for the new funding increase. Should the amount increase when the legislature passes its budget later this year the corresponding amount will also go to the BOE. The BOE is still receiving \$3,920,639 between the City's allocation and Alliance Grant. The City's portion is \$1,955,914 which is an increase over last year's allocation of \$1.8 Million.

Title: Streetlights (Finance)

Line Item: New Line Item

Action: Reduce \$150,000

Reason: Information presented to the Council at a recent Energy Workshop supports an aggressive approach to acquiring all CL&P streetlights and applying the savings to the above streetlight account. Other cities and towns in Connecticut have proven this to be realistic and achievable. This initiative will require public support and a referendum in November. We request the Mayor and his staff to begin the process of assembling all needed information to move this item to the November ballot.

Councilman Daley reads as follows:

REVENUETitle: Fund Balance Contribution (Finance)

Line Item: 1000-03000-549030-0030-00000-0000-000

Action; Reduce \$1,168,086

Reason: The Board of Education (BOE) Educational Alliance Grant will increase by the amount listed and has been previously explained by Councilman Klattenberg.

Title: Park and Recreation Fees

Line Item: 1000-32000-44230-0322-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$15,700

Reason: The Park and Recreation Department has subsidized approximately 80% of the cost to run a wide variety of sport programs in the city over many years. Because of financial pressures now facing the City the Caucus believes reducing this subsidy by 10% is necessary.

Title: Building Permit Fees

Line Item: 1000-22000-42220-0220-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$50,000

Reason: Middletown's local economy is improving and the city is experiencing an increase in building permits. At least two large retail warehouse stores will soon be under construction.

Title: General Fund Contribution

Line Item: 1000-03000-49030-0030-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$224,000

Reason: The BOE has indicated a year-end surplus of \$224,000. A portion will be retained for the General Fund (\$100K) and the remainder returned to the Education Budget.

Title: Police Private Duty

Line Item: 1000-18000-44560-0180-00000-0000-000

Action: Increase \$200,000

Reason: Middletown's local economy is now improving and the City is experiencing an increase in contractors, businesses and others requesting a police presence at their job sites. These requests will generate a significant increase in police private duty assignments.

Councilman Klattenberg reads as follows:

The Caucus did not want to see any increase in local taxes this year but the reality of needed services when state funding is being significantly lowered outweighed this goal. The Caucus presents these budget adjustments as a challenge to the Mayor, City staff and itself. Constant vigilance will be required to meet our next year's budget goals. The budget establishes a total expenditure of \$135,915,008 and revenue other than taxes of \$41,162,619. The

budget increases the mill rate from 26.9 to 27.7 which is also a reduction of 0.1 mills from the Mayor's Proposed Budget. We thank the Minority party for their contributions and request full Council support.

Signed by Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Ronald P. Klattenberg, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo and Council Thomas J. Serra.

Councilman Klattenberg moves the budget for approval and states he wishes to make an amendment. The Chair asks what the amendment is.

Motion to Amend

Councilman Klattenberg moves to amend that the line item for Sunday Openings in the Russell Library budget be increased in the amount of \$28,058; his motion is seconded by Councilman Serra. Councilwoman Salafia states under the tree account Councilman Klattenberg read \$10,000 and on the resolution sheet, it reads \$8,380 (inaudible). The Chair asks the page; Councilwoman Salafia responds page 3, half way down. The Chair states we should get through the first amendment and then do the second.

The Chair recognizes Councilman Daley who states, notwithstanding, the narrative I read, the numbers in there and avoiding affecting the mill rate, that we look at the substitute resolution 4A and any amendments need to be made to that and he would be cautious about making amendments that add to the expenditures because it could adversely affect the mill rate. We can appropriate money later. The Chair states that is a good point and asks Klattenberg to withdraw his amendment. Councilman Klattenberg withdraws his amendment.

The Chair asks does someone want to make an amendment for the \$8,380. Councilman Daley states we need to go by the resolution, 4A which says \$8,380 and not the narrative. The resolution ties into Finance.

The Chair asks if there is a second for the main motion; Councilman Daley seconds the motion to approve substitute resolution 4A.

Councilman Serra states he has been involved with 22 budgets; this was in fact the most difficult budget that he has been involved in because of State funding. The Mayor asked the City-side for cuts of 10% because the State cuts to the City amounted to \$3.2 million and the start of the tax increase. As the Council was deliberating, the most recent information came from the Legislative Appropriations Committee and they cut an additional \$1.3 million. They had to cut an additional \$1.2 million from the Mayor's budget. Because of this and the uncertainty of what the State is doing, at this point we don't have the figures and this is a budget projection. He thanks the staff: Tina Gomes, Carl Erlacher, Diana Doyle, Superintendent Charles and BOE Chairman Gene Nocera. I would like to thank my caucus and Councilman Klattenberg for collating the facts and figures as well as the Republican Caucus. Within all this, the Board of Education budget will be increased by \$3 million over last year's budget. He commends the Board Chair, Gene Nocera for their good faith in helping them. They returned \$224,000 and we in turn are helping them. Not only has the State made cuts, but the grand list is down \$250,000 and last year the State flat funded us. The numbers are from OPM and CCM and Middletown is losing \$4.5 million. Unfortunately, it shifts the burden of essential services to our citizens. We had to raise taxes 8/10ths of a mill and compared to other municipalities, it is low. One of things that is disconcerting is that we did get an increase in LoCIP and town aid. We cannot use it because the criteria has not been expanded to use the money for operating expenses. I would like to commend everyone involved for this extremely difficult budget. If funds do come in from the legislature and lessen our cut that would go into our fund balance and maybe we can do some of things we would like to do. Again, I want to commend everyone involved. It was by far irritating and aggravating, especially not knowing the numbers and the uncertainty of it all. Again, I commend everyone involved.

Councilman Pessina states on the Republican side, in government it is easier to do things the way we have always done them. In uncertainty, we have taken a fresh look at doing things. This year's budget was done collaboratively through communication and was done by both sides, looking at budget concerns. We, the Republican Caucus reviewed the Mayor's budget and kept the current economic climate in mind with any tax increases considered. The reviewed each line item and any potential increase with maintaining resources that make Middletown special. This year, they got calls from the budget person and the Majority leader about their concern; they created a bipartisan budget. They worked to balance the needs of public safety and education. He thanks his caucus as they embark on this new process. He thanks the Majority party for recognizing the importance of Communication and the role of bipartisanship in government. Councilman Serra states on behalf of the Democratic caucus we appreciate your comments and concerns and did integrate them in this. The Chair thanks the Council for their hard work and bipartisanship on this. It was an extremely challenging budget and they will have to continue with it as they move along.

Motion to Recess

Councilman Pessina moves to recess and his motion is seconded by Councilwoman Kleckowski. The vote is unanimous and the Chair declares the recess at 7:43 p.m.

Meeting Reconvenes

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 7:59 p.m.

Councilwoman Kleckowski is recognized and she has a question on the Alliance Grant and asks if this becomes part of the minimum budget requirement. The Chair responds no. Councilman Serra states he has information from the Deputy Commissioner from the Office of Policy and Management and reads it; specifically that it is not paid to the City and it is not included in the MBR determination. Councilwoman Kleckowski thanks him.

The Chair asks for further discussion; hearing none, he calls for the vote on the budget resolution, as substituted. It is six aye votes by Council Members Serra, Klattenberg, Bartolotta, Daley, Santangelo, and Kasper; and five nay votes

by Council Members Pessina, Bibisi, Salafia, Berch, and Kleckowski. The Chair states the matter passes with six affirmative votes and five in the negative.

Resolution No. 77-13
File Name 13-14counciladjustmentstomayorsbudgetwith\$124000
Description Approving the general fund budget, with amendments, and approving the mill rate of 27.7.

(Amended and Approved)

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**COUNCIL ADJUSTMENTS TO BUDGET FOR YEAR ENDING 2013
 EXPENDITURES**

01000 MAYOR		
51110 SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM		
1000-01000-51110-0010-00000-0000-000	MAYOR: SALARIES & WAGES, FT PER	
1 MAYOR		6,667
	NET INCREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	6,667
55185 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		
1000-01000-55185-0010-00000-0000-000 MAYOR: CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		
2 GRANTS CONSULTANT		50,000
	NET INCREASE - CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	50,000
	NET INCREASE - MAYOR	56,667
02000 TREASURER		
51220 SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEMP		
1000-02000-51220-0000-00000-0000-000	TREAS: SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEM	
1 MOVED FROM 51110		-750
	NET DECREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEMP	-750
	NET DECREASE - TREASURER	-750
03000 FINANCE		
51110 SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM		
1000-03000-51110-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	
14 GRANT WRITER - TR TO MAYOR'S CONTRACTUAL		-75,000
	NET DECREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	-75,000
52120 CONFERENCES		
1000-03000-52120-0000-00000-0000-000 FIN: CONFERENCES		
1 TRAINING, WORKSHOPS & TUTION REIMB.		300
	NET INCREASE - CONFERENCES	300
54220 ELECTRICITY - BUILDINGS		
1000-03000-54220-0030-00000-0000-000 FIN: ELECTRICITY - BUILDINGS		
1 ELECTRICITY - BUILDINGS		-90,178
2 STREETLIGHTS CREDIT		-150,000
	NET DECREASE - ELECTRICITY - BUILDINGS	-240,178
	NET DECREASE - FINANCE	-314,878
05000 LEGAL DEPT		
51110 SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM		
1000-05000-51110-0000-00000-0000-000	LEGAL: SALARIES & WAGES, FT PER	
4 DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY - 1		-121,264
	NET DECREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	-121,264
55130 COURT COSTS		
1000-05000-55130-0050-00000-0000-000 LEGAL: COURT COSTS		
1 COURT COSTS, FILINGS FEES, COURT ADMIN FEES		-10,000
	NET DECREASE - COURT COSTS	-10,000
	NET DECREASE - LEGAL DEPT	-131,264
06000 YOUTH SERVICES		
51220 SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEMP		
1000-06000-51220-0000-00000-0000-000	YOUTH: SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEM	
1 SUMMER STUDENT WORK PROGRAM		23,999
	NET INCREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEMP	23,999
	NET INCREASE - YOUTH SERVICES	23,999
07000 RUSSELL LIBRARY		
51215 SALARIES & WAGES, PT PERM		
1000-07000-51215-0000-00000-0000-000	LIBR: SALARIES & WAGES, PT PERM	
7 CLERKS - CIRCULATION		18,061
8 CLERKS - TECH SERVICES		5,221
11 OLDER ADULT SPECIALIST		2,359
13 JOB & CAREER SPECIALIST		2,359
	NET INCREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, PT PERM	28,000
51345 SUNDAY OPENING OT		
1000-07000-51345-0000-00000-0000-000 LIBR: SUNDAY OPENING OT		
1 SALARIES FOR SUNDAY HOURS		-1
	NET DECREASE - SUNDAY OPENING OT	-1
	NET INCREASE - RUSSELL LIBRARY	27,999
12000 COMMON COUNCIL		
51220 SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEMP		
1000-12000-51220-0000-00000-0000-000	COMMON: SALARIES & WAGES, PT TE	
1 COMMON COUNCIL		2,880

	NET INCREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, PT TEMP	2,880
	NET INCREASE - COMMON COUNCIL	2,880
13000 SENIOR SERVICES		
51110 SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM		
1000-13000-51110-0000-00000-0000-000	SEN SVC: SALARIES & WAGES, FT P	
2	SENIOR CENTER MANAGER	29,999
5	SALARY RESERVE 5%	-1,500
	NET INCREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	28,499
	NET INCREASE - SENIOR SERVICES	28,499
14000 PLANNING, CONSERVATION, DEVELO		
51110 SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM		
1000-14000-51110-0000-00000-0000-000	PCD: SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	
7	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST (6 MONTHS)	44,599
	NET INCREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	44,599
	NET INCREASE - PLANNING, CONSERVATION, DEVEL	44,599
17000 PERSONNEL		
55100 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
1000-17000-55100-0000-00000-0000-000	PERS: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	
3	CONNPELRA TRAINING FOR MANAGERS	2,000
	NET INCREASE - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	2,000
	NET INCREASE - PERSONNEL	2,000
22000 PUBLIC WORKS		
51110 SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM		
1000-22000-51110-0221-00000-0000-000	BLDG: SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	
2	ASST. BLDG OFFICIAL	47,239
	NET INCREASE - SALARIES & WAGES, FT PERM	47,239
55475 TREE SERVICE		
1000-22000-55475-0226-00000-0000-000	HWAY: TREE SERVICE	
1	TREE MAINTENANCE	7,000
	NET INCREASE - TREE SERVICE	7,000
	NET INCREASE - PUBLIC WORKS	54,239
25500 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
52110 GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE		
1000-25500-52110-0000-00000-0000-000	EMER MGMT: GENERAL ADMINISTRATI	
3	HEP B SHOT	1,199
	NET INCREASE - GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE	1,199
	NET INCREASE - OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMEN	1,199
26500 HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES		
59200 GRANT		
1000-26500-59200-0724-00000-0000-000	MATCHING: GRANT	
4	SOUTH GREEN HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING (TR TO 1000-27000-57030-07	-10,000
1000-26500-59200-0730-00000-0000-000	OLD BURY: GRANT	
1	OLD BURYING GROUNDS	20,000
	NET INCREASE - GRANT	10,000
	NET INCREASE - HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	10,000
27000 SPECIAL ACCOUNTS		
52110 GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE		
1000-27000-52110-0710-00000-0000-000	URB FOR: GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE	
2	TREE PLANTING AND REPLACEMENT PLANTING	8,380
	NET INCREASE - GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE	8,380
52165 PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS		
1000-27000-52165-0000-00000-0000-000	SPEC: PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS	
3	MIDSTATE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY	-152
4	CONNECTICUT REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVT.	-4,984
	NET DECREASE - PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS	-5,136
55400 OTHER SERVICES		
1000-27000-55400-0000-00000-0000-000	PCD: OTHER SERVICES-ECON DEVELO	
1	CHAMBER WORKFARE	4,500
3	CHAMBER STUDENT WORK PROGRAM	-15,000
	NET DECREASE - OTHER SERVICES	-10,500
57030 MISC EXPENSE		
1000-27000-57030-0708-00000-0000-000	COMMTY: MISC EXPENSE	
1	SO. GREEN HOLIDAY LIGHTING PROJ (TR FROM MATCHING FUNDS) ...	10,000
	NET INCREASE - MISC EXPENSE	10,000
	NET INCREASE - SPECIAL ACCOUNTS	2,744
28000 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		
51530 HEALTH INSURANCE		
1000-28000-51530-0000-00000-0000-000	EMPL BEN: HEALTH INSURANCE	
3	HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS	-500,000
	NET DECREASE - HEALTH INSURANCE	-500,000
	NET DECREASE - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	-500,000
29000 INSURANCE - BONDS		
51510 WORKERS COMP		
1000-29000-51510-0000-00000-0000-000	INS - BOND: WORKERS COMP	
1	INSURANCE WORKERS COMP	-100,000
	NET DECREASE - WORKERS COMP	-100,000

52230 PROP/CASUALTY INSURANCE		
1000-29000-52230-0000-00000-0000-000	INS - BOND: PROP/CASUALTY INSUR	
1	INSURANCE LIABILITY	-100,000
	NET DECREASE - PROP/CASUALTY INSURANCE	-100,000
	NET DECREASE - INSURANCE - BONDS	-200,000
33000 EDUCATION		
57010 EDUCATION CONTRIBUTION		
1000-33000-57010-0000-00000-0000-000	EDUCATION CONTRIBUTION	
1	-1,044,086
	NET DECREASE - EDUCATION CONTRIBUTION	-1,044,086
	NET DECREASE - EDUCATION	-1,044,086
TOTAL NET DECREASE IN FUND 1000	GENERAL FUND	-1,936,153

**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN - REVENUES
COUNCIL ADJUSTMENTS TO BUDGET FOR YEAR ENDING 2014**

1000-03000-41110-0033-00000-0000-000	COLL: TAXES-REAL ESTATE/MOTOR VEH	-307,648
1000-03000-43101-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: STATE-HOLD HARMLESS GRANT	-980,825
1000-03000-43110-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: PILOT-COLLEGES & HOSPITALS	-145,400
1000-03000-43145-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: PILOT-STATE PROPERTY	-348,307
1000-03000-43235-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: PEQUOT	1,026,414
1000-03000-43410-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: EDUC COST SHARING GRANT	-1,648,538
1000-03000-43430-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: SCHOOL TRANSP [NON PUBLIC]	-121,549
1000-03000-49030-0030-00000-0000-000	FIN: FUND BAL BUDGET CONTRIB	100,000
1000-18000-44560-0180-00000-0000-000	POLICE: PRIVATE DUTY	200,000
1000-22000-42220-0220-00000-0000-000	PW ADMN: PERMITS-BUILDING	50,000
1000-32000-44230-0322-00000-0000-000	P&R: PROGRAM USER FEES	15,700
1000-33000-44251-0000-00000-0000-000	RETURN FROM BOE	224,000
TOTAL NET DECREASE IN FUND 1000	GENERAL FUND	-1,936,153

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That should the details of the ECS/Alliance funding be amended when the Legislature ultimately adopts the State budget, the City will transfer any such funds to the Board of Education Grant line item; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the mill rate be set as 27.7 to cover this budget, and said rate shall be due and payable in two equal installments on July 1, 2013 and January 1, 2014, in accordance with the Charter of the City of Middletown, Chapter VI; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to collect said taxes.

Agenda Item 4B

Councilman Serra reads agenda item 4B, with amendments, to the Fire District Budget and moves it for approval; Councilman Santangelo seconds the motion.

The Chair calls for discussion; seeing none, he calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Faulkner is absent from the meeting. The Chair declares the matter approved unanimously with eleven affirmative votes and one member absent and not voting.

Resolution No. 78-13
File Name 13-14fireappres
Description Adopting Middletown’s Fire District Budget and setting the mill rate.
(Approved)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That the City of Middletown Fire District Budget for fiscal year July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014as prepared by the Mayor and advertised in the Hartford Courant on April 24, 2013, is hereby approved and adopted with the following changes:

COUNCIL ADJUSTMENTS TO BUDGET FOR YEAR ENDING 2014 - REVENUES

2010-50000-41110-0500-00000-0000-000	FIRE: TAXES-REAL ESTATE/MOTOR VEH	-44,762
2010-50000-43110-0500-00000-0000-000	FIRE: PILOT-COLLEGES & HOSPITALS	-30,940
2010-50000-43145-0500-00000-0000-000	FIRE: PILOT-STATE PROPERTY	-9,298
2010-50000-49030-0500-00000-0000-000	FUND BALANCE BUDGET CONTRIBUTION	85,000
TOTAL NET INCREASE IN FUND 2010	FIRE	- 0 -

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the mill rate be set as 6.1 to cover this budget and said rate shall be due and payable in two equal installments on July 1, 2013 and January 1, 2014in accordance with the Charter of the City of Middletown, Chapter VI; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Tax Collector be and his hereby authorized to collect said taxes.

Agenda Item 4C

Councilman Berch reads agenda item 4C, Sanitation Collection District Budget in its entirety and moves it for approval; Councilman Santangelo seconds the motion.

The Chair calls for discussion; seeing none, he calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Faulkner is absent from the meeting. The Chair declares the matter approved unanimously with eleven affirmative votes and one member absent and not voting.

Resolution No. 79-13
File Name 13-14Sanitationbudgenres
Description Adopting the Sanitation Collection District budget.

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown: That the budget of the Sanitation Collection district for the fiscal year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 as presented by the Mayor and advertised in the Hartford Courant on April 24, 2013 is hereby approved and adopted.

Agenda Item 4D

Councilman Santangelo reads agenda item 4D, the Sewer Department Budget in its entirety and moves it for approval; Councilman Serra seconds the motion.

The Chair calls for discussion; seeing none, he calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Faulkner is absent from the meeting. The Chair declares the matter approved unanimously with eleven affirmative votes and one member absent and not voting.

Resolution No. 80-13
File Name 13-14Sewerbudgetfgeneralresolution
Description Adopting the Water Pollution Control Authority Budget for the Sewer Department.
(Approved)

Be it Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown: That the budget prepared and adopted by the Water Pollution Control Authority for the Sewer Department of the City of Middletown for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 as advertised in the Hartford Courant on April 24, 2013 is hereby approved and adopted; and

Be It Further Resolved: That the rate of sewer use charges as adopted by the Water Pollution Control shall be due and payable effective May 1, 2013; and

Be It Further Resolved: that the Tax Collector, he, and she is hereby authorized to collect said water charges.

Agenda Item 4E

Councilwoman Bartolotta reads agenda item 4E, the Water Department Budget and moves it for approval; Councilman Santangelo seconds the motion.

The Chair calls for discussion; seeing none, he calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Faulkner is absent from the meeting. The Chair declares the matter approved unanimously with eleven affirmative votes and one member absent and not voting.

Resolution No. 81-13
File Name 13-14watergenres
Description Adopting the Water Pollution Control Authority’s budget for the Water Department.
(Approved)

Be it Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown: That the budget prepared and adopted by the Water Pollution Control Authority for the Water Department of the City of Middletown for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 as advertised in the Hartford Courant on April 24, 2013 is hereby approved and adopted; and

Be It Further Resolved: That the rate of water use charges as adopted by the Water Pollution Control Authority and approved by the Common Council shall be due and payable effective May 1, 2013; and

Be It Further Resolved: that the Tax Collector, he, and she is hereby authorized to collect said water charges.

Agenda Item 4F

Councilman Daley reads agenda item 4F, the Special Business District Budget in its entirety and moves it for approval; Councilman Pessina seconds the motion.

The Chair calls for discussion; seeing none, he calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Faulkner is absent from the meeting. The Chair declares the matter approved unanimously with eleven affirmative votes and one member absent and not voting.

Resolution No. 82-13
File Name 13-14Businessdistrictbudresolution
Description Adopting the Special Business District Budget.
(Approved)

Whereas, the Business Improvement District Board of Commissioners has met and in accordance with the ordinance, Sec. 272-14, Subparagraph G, has set the budget and proposed a mill rate on the assessed value of taxable real estate property within the district for fiscal year 2013 - 2014.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown: That the mill rate be set as 2.42 mills to cover this budget, and said rate shall be due and payable in two equal installments on July 1, 2013, and January 1, 2014, in accordance with the Ordinance Section 272-14 Subparagraph G, 2 (a) of the City of Middletown; and

Be it further resolved: That the Tax Collector, be and she is hereby authorized to collect said taxes.

Motion to adjourn Motion made to adjourn by Councilman Berch seconded by Councilwoman Kasper. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

ATTEST:

Linda DeSena
Acting Council Clerk