



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT  
MAY 12, 2011**

- Special Meeting** A community meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown was held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal building on Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 7 p.m.
- Present** Mayor Sebastian N. Giuliano, Council Members Thomas J. Serra, Ronald P. Klattenberg, Philip J. Pessina, Gerald E. Daley, Joseph E. Bibisi, Robert P. Santangelo, Hope P. Kasper, James B. Streeto, Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Deborah A. Kleckowski, David Bauer, and Daniel Drew; and Corporation Counsel William Howard; Sergeant-at-Arms Acting Deputy Chief of Police McKenna and Officer Patterson, and Council Clerk Marie O. Norwood.
- Also Present** Fourteen members of the public
- Meeting Called to Order** The Mayor calls the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and leads the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Call of Meeting Read** The Call of Meeting was read and accepted. Mayor Giuliano declares the Call a Legal Call and the Meeting a Legal Meeting.
- Public Comment Opens** The Acting Chair opens public comment on items under the jurisdiction of the Common Council at 7:04 p.m. He asks if there are any members of the public wishing to speak to come forward at this time.
- Billy Privott comes forward to speak on the Mayor's behalf. He reads his remarks and he is recommending that the Mayor remain as Mayor of Middletown. What he is doing and what he has done, he has been in three terms and recommends a fourth term. We need someone who cares about the City and community and who is involved. He thanks the Mayor and Councilman Pessina for allowing him to express himself and he hopes the Council will nominate him again. He sees all the good he has done for the community. He is not perfect, but no one is.
- Mayor Giuliano thanks him; he appreciated what he had to say.
- Earle Roberts states he just got the packet on what you are enacting (regarding the budget). It is encouraging the direction we are going for relief for people. There will be arguments on the cuts, but between now and next year, there should be a mindset to streamline government for consolidation and regionalization. The issue of funds and jobs is reality of the day and he can't forecast that it will get better. All we can do is elect officials and have you streamline government. On a quarterly basis, you should look at departments and offer services at the least cost. He may be dreaming and he hopes whatever you get from this discussion, that we move forward and look at changing the laws with education. Are we getting the best bang for the buck and if you look at one department for a year, the City would be better served by this Council and setting the benchmark for future Councils. It should not always be party line.
- Public Comment Closes** The Chair asks if there are other members of the public wishing to speak; seeing no members of the public wishing to address the Council, he closes the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.
- Motion to Adjourn** The Acting Chair states he will entertain a motion to adjourn. Councilman Pessina moves to adjourn and his motion is seconded by Councilman Bauer. The Chair declares the meeting adjourned by unanimous vote, at 7:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

MARIE O. NORWOOD  
Common Council Clerk