

November 17, 2008 - Regular Town Council Meeting

At a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown, RI held at the Middletown Town Hall on Monday, November 17, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.

Councillor Elect Frank A. Bozyan, Members Present

Councillor Elect Richard Cambra

Councillor Elect M. Theresa Santos

Councillor Elect Christopher T. Semonelli

Councillor Elect Edward J. Silveira, Jr.

Councillor Elect Robert J. Sylvia

Councillor Elect Barbara A. VonVillas

Town Clerk presiding

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Presentation of the Colors by Middletown Police Department Color Guard and recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation by Reverend Lynn McCracken, Pastor, Calvary United Methodist Church, Middletown.

Communication of Board of Canvassers, re: Certification of newly elected members of the Town Council and School Committee.

November 14, 2008

TO THE MIDDLETOWN TOWN CLERK:

At a meeting of the CANVASSING AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN, held on November 14, 2008, after receiving, reviewing and tabulating the returns and tabulations from the respective voting machines, absentee, provisional write-in and manual count ballots used at the election held on November 4, 2008 of the TOWN COUNCIL for two years, and the SCHOOL COMMITTEE for four year term, WE HEREBY certify the following to be a true list of candidates elected for the Town of Middletown.

TOWN COUNCIL (2 YEAR TERM)

Christopher T. Semonelli

3,915

Robert J. Sylvia

3,689

Edward J. Silveira, Jr.

3,512

Richard P. Cambra

3,433

Barbara A. VonVillas

3,230

Frank A. Bozyan

3,163

M. Theresa Santos

3,049

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (4 YEAR TERM)

Kellie Elizabeth DiPalma

4,331

William R. O'Connell

3,352

MIDDLETOWN BOARD OF CANVASSERS

The Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, Rhode Island Senate Majority Leader, was introduced by the Town Clerk. She administered the oath of office to School Committeemen Elect Kellie Elizabeth DiPalma and Town Councillors Elect Frank A. Bozyan, Richard P. Cambra, M. Theresa Santos, Christopher T. Semonelli, Edward J. Silveira, Jr., Robert J. Sylvia and Barbara A. VonVillas.

Clerk calls for nominations for office of Town Council President.

Councillor Cambra nominates Christopher T. Semonelli for the office of Council President.

There being no other nominations, and, on motion of Councillor Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.

On motion of Councillor Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to elect Councillor Christopher T. Semonelli as President of the Town Council.

Clerk administers oath of office to Council President Christopher T. Semonelli.

Council President presiding

Council President Semonelli calls for nominations for Town Council Vice-Chairman.

Council President Semonelli nominates Councillor Cambra for the office of Town Council Vice-Chairman.

There being no other nominations, and on motion of Councillor Bozyan, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close

nominations.

On motion of Council President Semonelli, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to elect Councillor Cambra as Vice Chairman of the Town Council.

Clerk administers oath of office to Vice Chairman Richard Cambra.

Council President Semonelli calls for nominations for the office of Town Solicitor.

Vice Chairman Cambra nominates Michael W. Miller for Town Solicitor.

There being no other nominations, and on motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close

nominations.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Michael W. Miller as Town Solicitor.

Clerk administers oath of office to Town Solicitor Michael W. Miller.

Council President Semonelli calls for nominations for the office of Assistant Town Solicitor.

Vice Chairman Cambra nominates Francis Holbrook for Assistant Town Solicitor.

There being no other nominations, and on motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Francis Holbrook as Assistant Town Solicitor.

Clerk administers oath of office to Assistant Town Solicitor Francis Holbrook.

Council President Semonelli calls for nominations for the office of Assistant Town Solicitor.

Vice Chairman Cambra nominates Turner C. Scott for Assistant Town Solicitor.

There being no other nominations, and on motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close

nominations.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Turner C. Scott as Assistant Town Solicitor.

Clerk administers oath of office to Assistant Town Solicitor Turner C. Scott.

Council President Semonelli calls for nominations for the office of Probate Judge.

Vice Chairman Cambra nominates Michael W. Miller for Probate Judge.

There being no other nominations, and on motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close

nominations.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Michael W. Miller as Probate Judge.

Clerk administers oath of office to Judge Miller.

Council President Semonelli calls for nominations for the office of Municipal Court Judge.

Vice Chairman Cambra nominates Peter B. Regan for Municipal Court Judge.

There being no other nominations, and on motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Peter B. Regan as Municipal Court Judge.

Clerk administers oath of office to Judge Regan.

Council President Semonelli addressed the residents of Middletown for their support.

Presentations

Council President Semonelli presented gifts to previous Council President Rodrigues, previous Vice Chair Mello and previous Councillor DiPalma. Councillor Barrow was unable to attend the meeting.

Benediction by Reverend Lynn McCracken.

All are invited to join the Town Council for refreshments.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn this meeting at 7:34 P.M.

Wendy J. W. Marshall, CMC

Council Clerk