

August 3, 2009 - Special Town Council Meeting

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown, RI, held at the Middletown Town Hall on Monday, August 3, 2009 at 6:00 P.M.

Council President Christopher T. Semonelli, Presiding

Vice Chairman Richard Cambra

Councillor Frank A. Bozyan

Councillor M. Theresa Santos

Councillor Edward J. Silveira, Jr.

Councillor Robert J. Sylvia

Councillor Barbara A. VonVillas, Members Present

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Wendy J.W. Marshall, Town Clerk

Town of Middletown

Town Hall – 350 East Main Road

Middletown, Rhode Island 02842

Dear Mrs. Marshall:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 203 of the Town Charter and in accordance with Sections 42-46-2 and 42-46-6., RIGL, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Town Council to formally consider, discuss and act upon the following item of business:

Presentation by Woodard & Curran, re: The Supplementary Environmental Project: Stormwater Treatment Feasibility Study for

the Town and matters related there to

Said meeting will be held on Monday, August 3, 2009, at 6:00 P.M. at the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, Rhode Island 02842.

Christopher T. Semonelli,

President

Middletown Town Council

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Town Administrator

Town Solicitor

Town Engineer

Town Planner

This meeting location is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requiring interpreter services for the hearing-impaired should notify the Town Clerk's Office at 847-0009 not less than 48 hours before the meeting.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said communication.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown noted that Robert Rafferty and Bridget Zwack representing Woodard and Curran will be presenting a

power point showing recommendations which will help eliminate beach closures. The presentation is on stormwater, not wastewater. Mr. Brown reviewed a timeline from April 2007 to the present, including efforts made by the Town and the City of Newport to rectify stormwater issues in the Easton's Bay area. The study which will be presented is being reviewed by DEM at this time.

Vice Chairman Cambra requested a 5 minute break at 6:07 P.M.

Councillor Santos left the meeting at 6:10 P.M.

Robert J. Rafferty, P.E., Senior Technical Leader and Bridget Zwack, P.E., Project Engineer, representing Woodard and Curran addressed the Council with a Power Point presentation including suggestions to keep Easton's Bay open.

Mr. Rafferty reviewed the following slides entered here:

Ms. Zwack reviewed the following slides entered here:

Ms. Zwack suggests the Town address the areas of Esplanade 1 & 2, before the moat area at Wave Avenue.

There was a question and answer period after the presentation.

Discussion centered around a need for four inches of elevation for a gravel wetland, pollutants lessen after the first inch of rain has fallen, finding long term solutions to animal contamination, the chemical process through filters including plantings, soil, stone and cost of a project.

Ms. Connell, 233 Tuckerman Avenue, requested the power point presentation be available for the general public to review.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown noted that there is another presentation of this study scheduled for Thursday, August 6, 2009, Town Hall at 7:00 P.M.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn this meeting at 7:02 P.M.

Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC

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