

**February 1, 2010 - 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, February 1, 2010 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**

**POSTED – January 27, 2010**

**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:**

**Town's legislative concerns to be addressed at the 2010 session of the General Assembly – with the Town's General Assembly delegation and School Administrators**

**Said meeting will be held on Monday, February 1, 2010, at 6:00 P.M. at the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, Rhode Island 02842.**

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**Christopher T. Semonelli,**

**President**

**Middletown Town Council**

**CC:**

**Town Council**

**Public Library**

**School Dept.**

**Town Administrator**

**Town Solicitor**

**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.**

**Also present were State Senator Louis P. DiPalma, State**

**Representative J. Russell Jackson, State Representative Amy G. Rice, State Representative Deborah L. Ruggiero, Town Administrator Shawn Brown, Town Solicitor Michael W. Miller, Finance Director Lynne Dible and Senior Accountant Deborah Barrett.**

**Present, representing the School Department, were Superintendent Rosemarie Kraeger, Assistant Superintendent Linda Savastano, Business Manager Requel Pellerin, School Committee Chair Michael Crowley, Vice Chair Theresa Spengler, members Kellie DiPalma, Liana Ferreira Fenton and William R. O'Connell.**

**Council President Semonelli greeted all in attendance.**

**State Senator Louis DiPalma addressed the Council reviewing the following handouts entered here:**

**State Representative Deborah Ruggiero requests Council input for the most effective method to address Middletown issues.**

**State Representative Amy Rice noted support for working with the Cities and Towns to restore lost funds from the state.**

**State Representative J. Russell Jackson noted the possibility of restoring some monies from the State.**

**Superintendent Rosemarie Kraeger and School Committee Chairman Michael Crowley reviewed the School Department's 2010 Legislative Agenda entered here:**

**Town Administrator Shawn Brown reviewed the Town's Legislative Agenda entered here:**

**Discussion centered around Governor's supplemental budget, Senate Bill 3050, Municipal Aid, School Aid and State Mandates.**

**Councillor Silveira expressed concern that the same issues are being addressed yearly with no positive outcome.**

**State Representative Deborah Ruggerio requests the Town to prioritize the legislative agenda lists for the Senators and Representatives, allowing more concentration on priorities.**

**On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn this meeting at 6:55 P.M.**

**Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC**

**Council Clerk**

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