

**At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown, RI held at the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, RI on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 5:30 P.M.**

**Council President Robert J. Sylvia, Presiding**

**Councillor Henry F. Lombardi, Jr.**

**Councillor M. Theresa Santos**

**Councillor Dennis B. Turano**

**Councillor Antone C. Viveiros**

**Councillor Barbara A. VonVillas, Members Present**

**Vice President Paul M. Rodrigues, Absent**

**POSTED – May 11, 2017**

**Wendy J.W. Marshall, Town Clerk**

**Town of Middletown**

**Town Hall – 350 East Main Road**

**Middletown, Rhode Island 02842**

**Dear Ms. Marshall:**

**Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 203 of the Town Charter and in accordance with Sections 42-46-2., 42-46-3., 42-46-4., 42-46-5 and 42-46-6., RIGL, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Town Council to formally consider, discuss and vote upon the following items of business:**

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**1. Zoning Board Interview – 5:30 P.M. - Daniel Titus.**

**2. Public Hearing (Advertised – 6:00 P.M.)**

### **An Ordinance of the Town of Middletown (First Reading)**

**An Ordinance in amendment to the ordinances of the Town of Middletown General Fund, Parks and Recreation Fund, Sewer Fund, Refuse and Recycling Fund, Stormwater Utility Fund and Onsite Wastewater Management Fund, Appropriating revenues for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.**

**Said meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at 5:30 P.M. at the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, Rhode**

**Island 02842.**

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**Robert J. Sylvia, President**

**Middletown Town Council**

**cc:**

**Town Council**

**School Department**

**Town Administrator**

**Senior Center**

**Town Solicitor**

**Police Dept.**

**Finance Director**

**Fire Dept.**

**Public Library**

**Public Works**

**Tax Assessor**

**Building Inspector**

**Town Planner**

**IT Director**

**Town Engineer**

**Human Resource Director**

**School Department**

**Recycling Coordinator**

**Prevention Coalition Coordinator**

**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.**

**1. Zoning Board Interview – 5:30 P.M. - Daniel Titus.**

**Council President Sylvia noted that the Zoning Board appointments will take place on June 19, 2017.**

**On motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to begin said interview.**

**Applicant Daniel Titus was interviewed. Human Resource Director Cecilia Dursi asked the following questions:**

- 1. Why do you want to be on the Zoning Board?**
- 2. Are you available for meetings?**
- 3. Quality of Life - How would you approach? What does it mean to you?**
- 4. Have you ever appeared before the Zoning Board?**
- 5. What would you like to see Middletown look like in the future?**

**Councillor Viveiros asked the following question to each applicant.**

- 1. What is your feeling regarding protecting the water shed areas in**



**the Town?**

**Councillor Santos asked the following question to each applicant.**

**1. How long have you been a resident of the Town?**

**All questions were answered by the applicants.**

**On motion of Council President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to recess this meeting at 5:37 p.m.**

**On motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to reconvene this meeting at 6:00 p.m.**

**Council President Sylvia extended best wishes to School Committee Chair Kellie DiPalma Simeone on the birth of her child.**

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**Public Hearing was declared open.**

**Town Administrator Shawn Brown thanked all for support with budget preparation. Mr. Brown noted some housekeeping matters with the budget, which the Town Council requested at the May 15, 2017 meeting.**

**Mr. Brown reviewed the following:**

**On motion of Council President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to amend the Municipal Budget Ordinance presented by the Town Administrator.**

**Town Administrator Shawn Brown reviewed the revenues, noted the proposed tax rates, the increase in senior exemptions, the I & I charge, sewer maintenance fee and the meter fee. Mr. Brown noted that there is a zero percent increase on the Town side.**

**Superintendent Rosemarie Kraeger addressed the Council thanking them for the open dialog through the budget process. Ms. Kraeger reviewed the following entered here:**

**Council President Sylvia noted appreciation for all the efforts during**

**the budget process.**

**Middletown School Committee Vice Chair Theresa Spengler addressed the Council noting the Town is solvent and requests the Town Council to support the school request. Ms. Spengler noted that there are a lot of new developments in Town and the School is the Town's economic driver.**

**Council President Sylvia noted that the public hearing remains open.**

**On motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said ordinance on its first reading, as amended.**

**On motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn said meeting at 6:33 p.m.**

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

**Town Clerk**

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