

Middletown Economic Development Advisory Committee

Wednesday, March 14, 2012, 5:00 pm

Middletown Town Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room

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Ron Wolanski, Town Planner – ex-officio__ _

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Others present:

1. Update on America's Cup & Tall Ships events planning.

Mr. Wolanski stated that Shawn Brown is serving on the committees involved in planning related to the events. At this time it appears that there will not be an opportunity for the town to host an event. The town will participate in Chamber of Commerce efforts to promote local business opportunities.

2. Update – Middletown Enterprise Zone legislation

Mr. Wolanski stated that legislation will be introduced by Sen. DiPalma to expand the proposed Middletown enterprise zone. Once the legislation is passed the town will begin the process with RIEDC to have the zone formally designated.

3. Update - GrowSmartRI proposed Economic Development legislation.

Mr. Wolanski stated that he has attempted to contact Scott Wolf of GrowSmartRI to get a copy of the proposed legislation. He try again and distribute any information he receives.

4. Update on RIDLT training grant – Skills gap study presentation.

5. Update on BRAC 2005 Navy surplus lands reuse planning.

6. Other business.

7. Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted:

Ronald M. Wolanski

Planning Director