

**BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN
NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**

Minutes of the special meeting of the property owners and/or electors of the Borough of Newtown on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at Edmond Town Hall in the Old Courtroom, for the purpose of voting on the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.

Present: Warden James Gaston, Senior Burgess Joan Crick, Second Senior Burgess Jay Maher, Burgess Anthony Baiad, Burgess Bill Lucas, Burgess Chris Gardner, Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez, Treasurer Paula Brinkman, Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean, Clerk Ann LoBosco, Tree Warden Rob McCulloch

Absent: Burgess Betsy Kenyon

Warden Gaston thanked everyone for attending the meeting and copies of the 2015-2016 proposed budget were distributed. He noted that expenditures for Budget Year 2013-2014 were significantly lower than last year given the amount of sidewalk work being done in 2014-2015 which will continue through 2016. The building revenues for 2015-2016 are expected to be \$10,000 and the Grand List has increased. Therefore, the mill rate will be lower and there will be a decrease in taxes by 0.02 mills.

Revenues Anticipated from Prior Year are \$7,000; Building Revenues Anticipated are \$10,000; and Interest is \$1,000 making total revenues other than taxes equal to \$18,000. The Tax Collection Rate is 97.0%. The Proposed Mill Rate for 2015-2016 is 0.85% which is down from the mill rate for 2014-2015 which was 0.87%.

Warden Gaston asked if there were any further questions. There being none, a vote was taken to pass the budget. There were 25 votes in favor of the budget and none opposed.

Burgess Baiad made a motion set the Borough's mill rate at 0.85%, seconded by Second Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m., Burgess Baiad seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. LoBosco
Borough Clerk

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Notice is hereby given that the Borough Meeting of the property owners and/or electors of the Borough of Newtown will be held at 7:30 PM on May 12, 2015, at Edmond Town Hall, 45 Main Street, Newtown, CT for the purpose of voting on the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2015-16. Estimated Budget recommended by the Board of Burgesses of the Borough of Newtown is hereby set below in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut.

	<u>Expenditure 2013-2014</u>	<u>Estimated Budget 2014-2015</u>	<u>Proposed Budget 2015-2016</u>
ADVERTISING	\$ 1,654	2,250	2,000
AUDIT	5,500	5,500	5,500
AUXILLIARY HELP	2,909	3,750	3,250
BONDS & INSUR.	220	250	250
CONSULTING	0	1,000	1,000
CONTINGENCY	1,136	3,000	2,250
DATA PROCESSING	940	2,400	2,500
ELECTION	0	3,200	0
FIRE HYDRANT	61,044	76,000	76,000
FIRE DEPT	2,000	2,000	2,000
HEALTH DISTRICT	0	10	10
HISTORIC DISTRICT	0	100	250
LEGAL FEES	7,080	7,500	7,500
SIDEWALKS	1,500	15,000	15,000
STREET LIGHTS	25,467	28,000	28,000
OFFICE MAINT & S	3,917	4,000	4,000
TREES AND MAINT	6,375	3,500	3,500
SOLDIERS & SAILORS	0	10	10
STREETS & PARKS	5,002	6,000	6,000
FLAGPOLE	0	10	10

	Expenditure	Estimated Budget	Proposed Budget
SOCIAL WORK	0	10	10
ASSESSOR	2,000	2,000	2,250
CLERK	4,250	4,250	4,500
TAX COLLECTOR	4,000	4,000	4,200
TREASURER	3,750	3,750	4,000
WARDEN	2,500	2,500	2,500
BUILDNG OFFICIAL	4,000	4,000	4,000
CONSERV. DIR.	1,000	1,000	1,000
ENGINEER	1,800	1,800	1,800
BUILDING CLERK	4,200	4,200	4,200
ZONING OFFICER	5,000	5,000	5,000
TREE WARDEN	2,500	2,500	2,500
PAYROLL TAXES	2,563	7,000	5,000
EDMOND TOWN H	2,500	3,500	3,500
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	\$ 164,807	208,990	203,490
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Revenue Anticipated From Prior Year	\$ 7,000
Building Revenues Anticipated	10,000
Interest	1,000

Total Revenues Anticipated	\$ 18,000

Money to be Raised from Taxes $\$ 203,490 - \$18,000 = \$ 185,490$

97.0% Tax Collection Rate

$1.03 \times \$185,490 = \$ 191,054$

$\$191,054$ divided by $\$223,227,798$ (1000's Grand List – Mill) = 0.85

2015-2016 Proposed Mill Rate = 0.85

Note:

2013-2014 MILL RATE – 0.89

2014-2015 MILL RATE - 0.87

2015-2016 MILL RATE – 0.85

(Decrease in taxes = 0.02 Mills)

James O. Gaston

Warden, Borough of Newtown

BOARD OF BURGESSES

Joan G. Crick, Sr. Burgess

Betsy Kenyon, Burgess

Joseph M. Maher, III, Second Sr. Burgess

Anthony P. Baiad, Jr., Burgess

Christopher Gardner, Burgess

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