

Board of Selectmen
June 6, 2016

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting Monday, June 6, 2016 in the Council Chamber of the Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street. First Selectman Llodra called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

PRESENT: First Selectman Llodra, Selectman William F.L. Rodgers, Selectman Herbert C. Rosenthal.

ALSO PRESENT: Finance Director Robert Tait, Town Attorney David Grogins, Land Use Director George Benson, Director of Public Works Fred Hurley, Assistant Director of Facilities Paul Devine, Chairman of the Permanent Memorial Commission Kyle Lyddy and commission members Joanne Brunetti, Brian Engel, Daniel Krauss, Agni Pavlidou Kyprianou, Alan Martin, Sarah Middeleer and Donna Van Waalwijk, Roads Committee members Tony Filiato, Eva Bermudez-Zimmerman , forty-five members of the public and two members of the press.

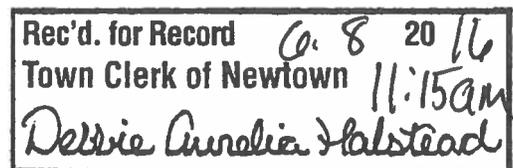
EXECUTIVE SESSION: Selectman Rodgers moved to enter executive session for discussion with the Town Attorney about written advice as it pertains to the Board of Ethics recommendation on CB3-15 David Freedman and CA3-15 Kathryn Hamilton. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor. Executive session was entered into at 7:02pm with Attorney Grogins invited to attend and returned to regular session at 7:35p.m. Motion noted under item #1, New Business.

VOTER COMMENTS: **Kathleen Mulligan**, 6 Meridian Ridge, supports the work of the Permanent Memorial Commission, thinks they did their due diligence and research and wants the Town to support the decision they come up with. **Jessica Ward**, 195 Berkshire Road, also supports the work of the Permanent Memorial Commission and their High Meadow decision. **Renate Adler**, 198 Hattertown Road, in the past has suggested dedicating Fairfield Hills, as a whole, to the victims of 12/14. She believes having a memorial in the High Meadow is a serious mistake. **Bob Comfort**, 110 Brushy Hill Road, attended with Maureen Lewis and speaks for Scarlett Lewis, mother of Jesse Lewis, one of the 12/14 victims. They support the due diligence that was done and thinks the Fairfield Hills location for a memorial would be a fine location. **Harvey Pessin**, 59 Main Street, is a Director of the Newtown Forest Association, which protects 1,100 acres of property in Newtown. The association voted unanimously against the use of the High Meadow for a permanent memorial. **Ann Astarita**, Citizens for Public Comment, P.O. Box 3552, Newtown submitted possible alternative memorial sites offered by Newtown residents (*att*) and submitted a list of signatures on a petition prohibiting the building of interior roads, parking, lighting, and structures (*att*.)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Selectman Rosenthal moved to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 5/16/16. First Selectman Llodra seconded. Selectman Rodgers abstained as he was absent; the motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS: The Newtown organic recycling program has exceeded 300 participants. A letter from Ann Astarita, Citizens for Public Comment was submitted (*att*.) was submitted. A formal letter from Jackie Villa, Chair of the Board of Ethics was received.

FINANCE DIRECTORS REPORT: none.



OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion and possible action

1. Permanent Memorial Commission update: Kyle Lyddy, Alan Martin, Donna Van Waalwijk, Brian Engel, Agni Pavlidou Kyprianou, Sarah Middleleer, Joanne Brunetti and Daniel Krauss were present to update the Board of Selectmen (*att.*) The mission, information gathering, outreach and site selection consideration was discussed. Ms. Middleleer said that guidelines for submitting a design were discussed with the 9/11 commission and those involved with the Tucson memorial. The families are kept up to date on the process and the High Meadow consideration. All victim families were considered, the majority said yes, some were undecided and there was no opposition. Ms. Van Waalwijk feels the High Meadow is the perfect spot; we have one shot to get this right. Mr. Martin said that the memorial commission made a motion to table consideration for the upper meadow in order to pursue alternate sites; reserving the right to revisit the upper meadow. Ms. Pavlidou Kyprianou said the people of Newtown responded they wanted a peaceful place linked with nature; a destination and also something in close proximity to Sandy Hook. Mr. Lyddy said the process will continue, with due diligence and believes something amazing will come from the process.
2. **Resolution:** Selectman Rodgers moved the resolution: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE SANDY HOOK SPECIAL REVENUE FUND "MEMORIAL" DONATION ACCOUNT 133-4020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTING SERVICES IN ADVANCING THE DESIGN PROCESS, PERIMETER ACCESS, AND THE MEMORIAL DESIGN AND ITS INSTALLATION (*att.*). Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.
3. **High Meadow Management Plan:** George Benson submitted a Preliminary High Meadow Management Plan to the Board of Selectmen (*att.*). Selectman Rodgers noted this discussion predates the memorial at High Meadow discussion. Five acres will not be mowed, which is the minimum acreage to openly attract wildlife. This is a pilot program. First Selectman Llodra suggested the Conservation Commission recommend persons for the committee and the commission can keep the Board of Selectmen informed. Selectman Rodgers moved the Board of Selectman endorse the plan as presented and direct the Land Use Director to seek the assistance the assistance of the Conservation Commission in creating the Ad Hoc committee. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and possible action

1. **Board of Ethics recommendation re: Case #CB3-15 David Freedman & Case #CA3-15 Kathryn Hamilton:** Selectman Rodgers moved the Board of Selectmen consider adopting the statement after due discussion. Selectman Rosenthal seconded for discussion. The Board of Selectman discussed the statement in detail, editing and revising before finalizing a vote. Selectman Rodgers moved to adopt the statement, as discussed and modified. (*att.*) Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.
2. **Roads Committee update:** Tony Filiato, Eva Bermudez-Zimmerman and Fred Hurley were present to discuss the roads committee recommendations (*att.*). First Selectman Llodra said that very few people that bought houses recently knew that their property was on a non-town road. Ms. Bermudez-Zimmerman said that some associations are still trying to figure out what they want to do but believes this process will help them once they decide. Selectman Rosenthal said that if private roads are going to be brought into the town road system there should be a benefit assessment for those residents because there will be an increase to the value of their property and they will receive a benefit having the road a town road. First Selectman Llodra noted that in the recommendations there is mention of the town's obligation to maintain a road that has more than three homes. This needs to be corrected to "three or

more". Mr. Filiato said that the ordinances relative to roads are scattered and should all be in one place. First Selectman Llodra requested Mr. Filiato work with the ordinance committee on the next steps. Selectman Rodgers moved the Roads Committee recommendations be sent to the Legislative Council to update the existing roads ordinance incorporating the ideas specified on the Ad Hoc committee document dated May 18, 2016 (att.). Selectman Rosenthal seconded and added to the motion: 'with the advice of the Public Works Director, Town Engineer and First Selectman'. All in favor.

3. **Resolution:** Selectman Rodgers moved the resolution: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,765 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE SANDY HOOK DONATIONS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FROM THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS FOR THE FOLLOWING PUPROPSES (att.) Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.
4. **Resolution:** Selectman Rosenthal moved the resolution: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$475,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND REPLACEMENT OF A BOILER AT MIDDLE GATE SCHOOL AS AUTHORIZED IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (2016-17 to 2020-2021) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$475,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID SPECIAL APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE (att.) and waived the reading of the resolution in its entirety. Selectman Rodgers seconded. All in favor.
5. **Resolution:** Selectman Rosenthal moved the resolution: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,402,500 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NEWTOWN HIGH SCHOOL ROOF AS AUTHORIZED IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (2016-17 to 2020-2021) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,402,500 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID SPECIAL APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE (att.) and waived the reading of the resolution in its entirety. Selectman Rodgers seconded. Mr. Devine explained this is the 1997 roof, A wing, B wing, C wing and the pool roof. These areas were patched over and over again; it's an ongoing maintenance. First Selectman Llodra is discouraged the roof applied in 1997 didn't last twenty years. Mr. Hurley thinks a longer warrantee would help defray some costs. This project is not eligible for state reimburse. All in favor.
6. **Set Date & Time for Town Meeting:** Selectman Rodgers moved to set the date and time for the Town Meeting to consider and take action on the \$1,402,500 resolution for the Newtown High School Roof on June 22, 2016, 7:15p.m (att.). Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.
7. **Appointments/Reappointments:** Selectman Rodgers moved the reappointment of Kelley Michael (U) and Christopher Layda (D) to the Hattertown Historic District for terms that expire 6/30/21. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor. Selectman Rodgers moved the appointment of Scott Switzer (R) to the Cultural Arts Commission for a term to expire 1/6/18 and Phil Clark (R) as an alternate to the Public Building & Site Committee for a term to expire 1/6/17. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor. Selectman Rosenthal moved the appointments of the following Lake Lillinonah Authority Law Enforcement Personnel: Officers: John Puglisi, Kevin Brooks, Chris Rosado, Sean Flynn, Mathew Donadio, Mitchell A. Heller, Aaron D. Blank, Brian Flanagan and Assistants: Nicholas Puglisi, Charles Weeks and Stephen Lyons. Selectman Rodgers seconded. All in favor.
8. **Driveway bond release/Extension:** Selectman Rodgers moved the driveway bond extension for A&M Building & Land, 14 Taunton Lane, Lot 1, M6, B14, L15 to 11/30/16. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. Selectman Rosenthal moved the driveway bond releases, each in the amount of \$1,000, to David J. Rieck, 57 Platts Hill Road, M31, B5, L36 and Platt Building, LLC, 14 Susan Lane, M5, B3, L40.7 Selectman Rodgers seconded. All in favor.

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9. **Annual Tax Abatements:** Selectman Rodgers moved the 2016 Tax Abatements in the amount of \$22,872.26. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.
10. **Tax Refunds:** Selectman Rosenthal moved the June 2016 tax refunds, No. 17 in the amount of 9,153.61 Selectman Rodgers seconded. All in favor.

VOTER COMMENTS: **Joe Hovious**, 3 Leopard Drive addressed the board on the impact of the proposed memorial on the High Meadow. He noted the public comment on the memorial was conducted prior to the High Meadow being considered and he feels it appropriate to re-open public comment. (att.) **Karlyn Sturmer**, 22 Old Green Rd., said the Conservation Commission is usually involved in the management of open space but said the commission doesn't have that level of involvement in the High Meadow due to the actions and decisions made by Mr. Benson and the Board of Selectmen in the past year. Ms. Sturmer summarized past history. She suggested town equipment be used to maintain the High Meadow. She supports having the Conservation Commission be involved in determining the Ad Hoc Committee for the High Meadow management plan. **Laura Terry**, 64 Robin Hill Rd., said ethics complaints were against Kathy Hamilton, not Kathryn Hamilton. She asked if the Board of Selectmen met with the Board of Ethics. First Selectman Llodra stated that the procedural errors of the Board of Ethics have been well documented by the Newtown Bee and therefore are public.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Selectman Rosenthal moved to enter executive session for Legal Matters – Assessment Appeal. Selectman Rodgers seconded. Nobody was invited to attend. Executive session was entered at 10:22p.m. and returned to regular session at 10:27p.m. with the following motion:

Selectman Rosenthal moved that the town defend itself in the assessment appeal Peter Maher & Caren Nelson v. Town of Newtown. Selectman Rodgers seconded. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting at 10:28p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Susan Marcinek, Clerk

Attachments: A. Astarita – alternate memorial sites & signed petition; A. Astarita letter to the Editor; Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial Commission update; Memorial Design & Installation \$10,000 special appropriation; Preliminary High Meadow Management Plan; BOS Ethics statement; Roads Cte. recommendation; \$15,765 special appropriation; Middle Gate boiler resolution; NHS roof resolution; NHS roof Town Meeting notice; J. Hovious comments.

Possible alternative memorial sites offered by Newtown residents (numbers refer to Map/Block/Lot in Newtown Land Records):

a) 37-3-1B EDC property

http://74.93.16.209/webdata/newtown/parcel_maps/QM_37-3-1.B.pdf

b) 37-5-2 junction of Wasserman Way and Nunnawauk Road. State still owns according to GIS. Was to be conveyed to Town. Need to search to find information

http://74.93.16.209/webdata/newtown/parcel_maps/QM_37-5-2.pdf

c) Treadwell 38-9-9-10

http://74.93.16.209/webdata/newtown/parcel_maps/QM_38-9-9-10.pdf

d) Dickinson 30-7-2-OS

http://74.93.16.209/webdata/newtown/parcel_maps/QM_30-7-2-OS.pdf

e) 38-9-32

6 acres

Boys Social and Athletic Club

28 Riverside Drive

and

f) 38-9-34

6.5 acres

Newtown OS

24 Riverside Drive

Both e) and f) could be accessed through Treadwell Park. By using the back of either property, a memorial could be isolated from both the school and the firehouse. Careful planting could provide further screening visually and for sound blocking.

g) parcel 38-9-34, the 6.5 acres that the town owns, near the SHFD. If it can be accessed through the Park, which looks like a possibility, that would be a solution. It is a very lovely parcel, hidden away, and could be a great alternate site.

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Evelyn Watts		55 Hattertown Rd	
William Watts		56 Hattertown Rd	
Kerri-Ann Smoili		12 Adams Hill Lane	
Denise Grier		146 Clapboard Ridge Rd	
Sonya Hasckel		3 Tamarack Rd.	
Camillas Eisenberg		5 Watch Hill Dr	

Elizabeth Eisenberg



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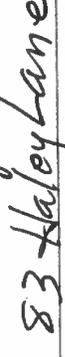
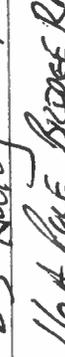
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DUSAN E CAMERON		14 CECILSTOCK RD	
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Julie Dell		276 Berkshire Rd	
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Lindsay Diaspo		48 Great King Rd. Hook	
George Cur		3 Southbrook Ln Newtown	
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Budget Berehid		91 Quaker Farm Rd Southbury	
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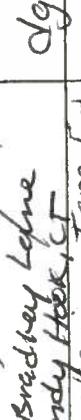
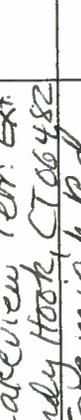
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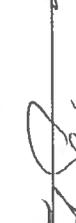
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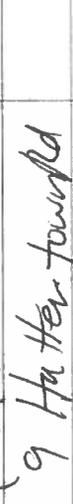
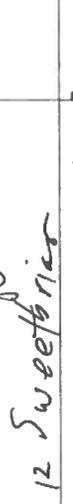
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To the Editor:

At the 05/12 SHPMC meeting and again in a recent letter to the *Bee* editor, SHPMC commissioners expressed disappointment and disgust about public opposition to planned memorial development in the High Meadow Open Space.

In their disappointment, they mischaracterized those who expressed opposition as being insensitive, uncompromising and worse. In fact, alternate memorial ideas and locations respectfully offered by the public did not generate any response by the SHPMC except to move forward with more High Meadow development proposals. During the past year, focus was exclusively on the High Meadow despite residents' civil and polite legal, environmental, and municipal concerns. It wasn't until the First Selectman wrote the commission to encourage pursuit of an alternate location that the High Meadow was conditionally removed from consideration.

On 5/12 the SHPMC listed all the hard work they've done, and it was considerable. They listed all the people of like minds that they've consulted, and there were many. They listed all those officials and Boards who they felt should review and comment on future documents, *but despite the experience of the past year, the commission never mentioned the public's right to review and comment before a decision is final.*

A mural at Newtown High School was covered because it distressed people; the "Rock of Ages" memorial was placed on St John's Episcopal Church property because a place on Town property could not be found; the Newtown community center plans were revised because of public objections. These are examples where officials and the public disagreed but *worked together and changed existing plans.* Yes, it was hard. Yes, it took time. Taking time to work hard together is what is needed here too.

Improving inclusiveness, welcoming idea exchange, and sharing information are within reach. Let's move forward, together.

Respectfully,

Ann Astarita, Citizens for Public Commons, P.O. Box 3552, Newtown, CT 06470



Sandy Hook
Permanent
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Commission

**Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial Commission Update
As of 6/6/16**

Mission Statement: The mission of the Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial Commission is to make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen for a Permanent Memorial that remembers, honors and celebrates those 26 who died as a result of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting and serves to provide comfort to those who loved and were touched by them.

Information Gathering Stage – Surveys, Open Forums, In Person, Emails

- Phase I: 26 Families
- Phase II:
 - Parents of Students Enrolled in SHS on 12/14/12
 - Staff Members Employed at SHS on 12/14/12
 - State Police, Newtown PD & Dispatchers, SHFD, Newtown EMS
- Phase III: Community at Large
- Phase IV: 26 Families (Ongoing)

Benchmarking of Communities /Resources

- 9/11 Commission
 - President of Commission came to speak with our Commission
- Columbine Commission
- Virginia Tech
- Aurora
- And others...

Account / Fundraising

- The Commission recognizes that more dollars may be needed to complete this project, although has not officially solicited any money at this time. We would want this to have as minimal of an impact on the community as possible.
 - \$130,000 -- These funds were contributed after 12/14 to the Town and earmarked as dollars set aside for a memorial
 - \$10,000 -- Committed from the Glen Atkinson Memorial Fund
 - \$25,000 – Committed from the Newtown Memorial Fund

Location Inventory

- SHPMC worked with the Town of Newtown and Land Use Office to identify different locations in town

- Based on Information Gathering Stage, a criteria was created for the type of location we are looking for
 - Criteria included: infrastructure, seclusion from noise, expansive views, a destination and not something people would drive by everyday, proximity to Sandy Hook
- Commission agreed that a portion of the **High Meadow** would be appropriate
 - We have since tabled our discussion on the High Meadow as the location for the memorial due to push back and communication from the First Selectman, with the opportunity to revisit
 - Secondary locations are now being evaluated for use

Design Selection Process

- In order to draft the document, we modeled it on two main precedents:
 - The requests for proposal for the Tucson and 9/11 memorials. Although both of these memorials' scopes were not only very different from each other, but also ours, there were many aspects of their documents that helped guide us in drafting our own document.
- A major thrust of our design directives was derived from feedback we had received from victims' families and the wider community
 - Another major thrust of the design directives was environmental sensitivity. Although we are now looking at other sites for the memorial, this emphasis will be maintained regardless of which site is selected.
- The commission had agreed to have an invitation-based document, allowing all those that had already presented designs to us to submit them again, in a format that would allow for apples to apples comparison, based on a real site.
- Open process to as wide a base as possible in order to attract the best designs available to us. This invitation-based process will also be transparent, hopefully preventing any sentiment that the chosen design/designer was selected "behind closed doors."
- Circulation will include individuals and commission's within the Town of Newtown (Conservation Commission, Fairfield Hills Authority, Park & Rec, etc.)



Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial Commission
Phase II & III Results / Trends
 Phase I & IV results are not shown at this time as the importance of communicating with the
 26 families is ongoing at this time.



DIGITAL SURVEYS

Phase I / Phase II Groups	Should there be a memorial?	Physical or Abstract?	Outdoor / Indoor or Both	Different Themes to Honor Victims?	Overall Feeling of a Memorial	What type of memorial would you NOT like to see	Certain Elements to be Included	Certain Elements Not to be Included
Sandy Hook Staff 41 Responses Digital Survey	90% Yes 10% No	95% Physical 5% Abstract	74% Outdoor 0% Indoor 26% Both	59% Yes 41% No	Hopeful Reflective Linked to Nature Inspirational Peaceful Serene	Dramatic Sad Heavy	Gardens Running Water Trees Stone	Metal
Sandy Hook Parents 243 Total Responses Digital Survey	95% Yes 5% No	88% Physical 12% Abstract	71% Outdoor 2% Indoor 27% Both	54% Yes 46% No	Hopeful Reflective Solemn Inspirational Peaceful Serene	Dramatic Sad Heavy	Gardens Running Water Trees Stone	Wood Metal Sculpture
			Expansive Views or Inwardly Focused	Separate Destination or Included into town setting	Easily Seen if not intended to go?	Most appropriate location		Trends
Sandy Hook Staff 41 Total Responses Digital Survey	81% Secluded 19% High Traffic Area?	64% Yes 36% No	Expansive 71% 29% Inwardly	55% Separate 45% Included	42% Yes 58% No	71% Sandy Hook 9% Newtown 20% Gave a specific location		1. Should embrace those lost and honor survivors. 2. A sense of community should be felt 3. Rock of angels was discussed 4. Concerned about security and maintenance 5. Fairfield Hills was a common location 6. Scholarships should be considered
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HIGHLIGHTS		TRENDS (In order of importance)
<p>Emergency Services SHFD, NPD, EMS, State Police, Dispatchers Written Surveys</p>	<p>2. No political accents that represent mental health or gun control 3. No souvenirs or anything to purchase 4. Memorial should be respectful. 5. Safety needs to be considered for this. 6. One thematic that should be considered is "Hopes & Dreams"</p>	<p>1. Priority should be 26 families in this process.</p>
<p>HIGHLIGHTS</p>		
<p>Open Forums / Public</p>	<p>1. Families should be considered when discussing the design 2. Location needs to come first in this discussion 3. There are groups in the community willing to assist us with funds when it comes down to the fundraising component 4. Security / Night time / Winter time need to be considered when discussing the memorial 5. More input will be given from the community once we get into the design and location stage 6. Discuss Fairfield Hills as an option, but do your diligence and look into Sandy Hook/private locations 7. Communicate "love" in the memorial, as that is what has helped define Newtown</p>	



Site Selection Consideration

***Please note: At this time we are simply creating an inventory of locations. This list will expand as our Location Sub-Committee meets with the different groups in the community to understand what land is available for use.**

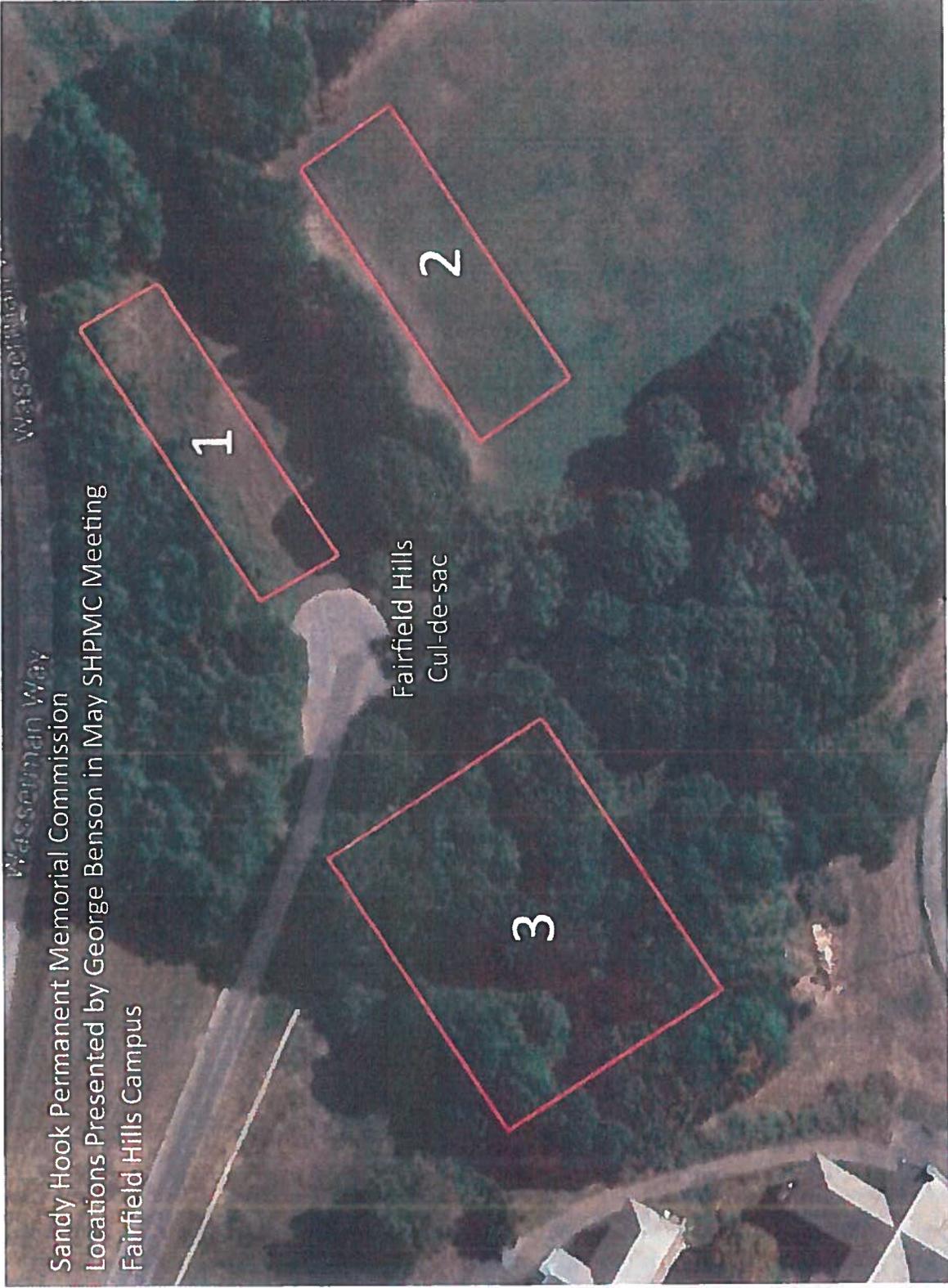
Ranking: 1 (Least desirable) – 5 (Most desirable)

Parcel / Site	Accessible	Secluded / Free from Noise	Natural Settings / Views	Proximity to Sandy Hook	Infrastructure (Roads, Water, Size of Land, Electricity, Parking)	Status (+ or -)
Sandy Hook Athletic Club - SAC (6 acres)	4	1	3	X Contiguous to School/Fire Dept	4	-
Dayton Street Bridge/Field (1/2 acre)	5	3	4	5 (Near Sandy Hook Center)	4 (Parking limited/small size)	+
Laurel Trail (360 acres)	1	5	5	3 (Southbury side)	1 (Very rugged terrain)	-



Sandy Hook
Permanent
Memorial
Commission

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Pole Ridge Preserve (60 acres)	2	5	5	3	1 (Very rugged terrain)	-
Edmond Town Hall Back Lot (2 acres)	5	2	2	4	5	+
Shepards Hill Road (18 acres)	4	5	5	1 (Other side of town)	5	+
Deep Brook Property	4	4	5	4 Town of Newtown	5	+
High Meadow (2 Sections) 80 Acres	5	4	5	4 (Fairfield Hills Property)	5	+



Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial Commission
Locations Presented by George Benson in May SHPMC Meeting
Fairfield Hills Campus

Wasserman Way

Fairfield Hills
Cul-de-sac

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- A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE SANDY HOOK SPECIAL REVENUE FUND “MEMORIAL” DONATION ACCOUNT 133-4020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTING SERVICES IN ADVANCING THE DESIGN PROCESS, PERIMETER ACCESS, AND THE MEMORIAL DESIGN AND ITS INSTALLATION.

SCOPE INCLUDES:

1. PREPARATION OF DEDICATED PEDESTRIAN ENTRY PATH AND VEHICULAR ACCESS CONCEPT ALTERNATIVES FOR THE MEMORIAL SITE.
2. MEMORIAL SITING ALTERNATIVES IN CONCEPT FORM WITH OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS ANNOTATED ON THE CONCEPT PLAN.
3. VIEW-SHED ASSESSMENT FROM HILLTOP VANTAGE POINTS.
4. DETERMINATION OF UTILITY NEEDS AND PREPARATION OF A SERVICE SCHEMATIC (WATER AND ELECTRIC SERVICE).
5. PREPARATION OF A CONCEPTUAL GRADING AND DRAINAGE PLAN.
6. ASSIST WITH A DESIGN CONSULTANT SELECTION STRATEGY, CONSULTANT INVITATION AND PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES AND DETERMINATION OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SELECTED DESIGNER.

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George Benson
Director of Planning

TOWN OF NEWTOWN

Land Use Agency

MEMORANDUM

May 23, 2016

From: George Benson, Director of Planning

To: Newtown Board of Selectmen

Re: Preliminary High Meadow Management Plan

The Board of Selectmen has requested that the Land Use Agency staff develop a Management Plan for the future of the High and East Meadows located on the Fairfield Hills Campus. The Agency recommendations are to be presented at the August 1, 2016 Board of Selectmen meeting. However, due to the seasonal time constraints of some of the strategies this preliminary plan is being submitted.

As I stated in previous memos regarding the cessation of mowing proposal, the Land Use Agency staff is supportive of the High Meadow restoration. There have to be short term and long term strategies to achieve production of native wildlife. The Land Use Agency does not have the staff or budget to implement a meadow restoration.

Therefore to facilitate the restoration, the Land Use Agency is suggesting the following steps be taken;

1. That starting in the 2016 season the farmer cease mowing an approximately 5 acre section of the High Meadow located near the water tower, designated in the attached map.
2. That a condition of the establishment of this five acre "meadow test plot" be that the Board of Selectmen or the Conservation Commission appoint an ad hoc committee of town residents to manage the parcel utilizing volunteer workers and resources.
3. The Land Use Agency would like to recommend that the following concerned residents be considered for appointed to the ad hoc committee; Ann Astarita, Mary Gaudet Wilson, Joe Hovious, Holly Kocet, and Karlyn Sturmer.
4. That this committee shall submit quarterly reports to the Board of Selectmen or the Conservation Commission on the status of the project.
5. That after three years, a comprehensive evaluation of the meadow test plot shall be conducted to determine future restoration strategies for the entire High and East Meadows.



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Statement of the Newtown Board of Selectmen regarding the matter of the Board of Ethics recommendation on case #CB3-15 (David Freedman) and case # CA3-15 (Kathryn Hamilton)

The Board of Selectmen values and supports the role of a municipal Board of Ethics. We acknowledge that such a Board provides greater assurance of integrity and transparency in government practice. We trust also that such Board executes on its responsibility with great care, adherence to established and documented protocols that support the rights of respondents and, at the same time, provide a venue for issues of concern to be raised and reviewed. Finally, we state our conviction that a Board of Ethics must be ever-cognizant of its power to do good, as well as harm, and to adjudicate all matters with rigor and diligent attention to the facts of a matter.

Given that climate of general support and valuing for the role of a Board of Ethics, we find, however, in this matter that there have been a number of significant process and procedural errors in this particular investigation and adjudication. Further, we find that the conclusions of the Board do not emanate from basic fact-finding concerning the confidentiality of the information made public by the respondents. The Board of Ethics did not conduct fact-finding to determine if the release of the information was a violation of confidentiality, but, rather, accepted that premise as a 'fact' without the necessary investigation. In so doing, the matter at the core of the issue was never fully reviewed or resolved.

We recommend, with due respect and support for our Newtown Board of Ethics, that the Board itself participate in FOI training and, further, that Board members carefully review their internal protocols and that they fully document and submit to prior legal review the processes to be followed in any future investigations, as well as all drafts of proposed actions.

As to the respondents of the Board of Ethics referral, David Freedman and Kathryn Hamilton, we suggest:

- 1) That they voluntarily prepare and publish a statement acknowledging that their actions in the release of BoE information via text and email was inappropriate and wrong-headed. That document is to be signed, dated, and submitted to the office of the First Selectman and entered into the public record;
- 2) That Mr. Freedman is required to participate in FOI training as a pre-condition to accepting any appointed or elected position in the Town of Newtown;
- 3) That Ms. Hamilton, currently serving in an elected position, participate in FOI training and submit evidence of that training to the office of the First Selectman.

This Board of Selectmen acknowledges that it cannot order the individuals to undertake these actions; however, the Board does have the power to censure individuals for Code of Ethics violations and these recommendations are made with that knowledge.

We are hopeful, though cannot dictate, that all further actions related to this matter cease. We see no public good being served in the continuation of the conflict, and, the cost to the taxpayer well exceeds any benefit to be achieved through further pursuit at any level.

E. Patricia Llodra, First Selectman

Will F.L. Rodgers, Selectman

Herb Rosenthal, Selectman

Approved unanimously by motion on June 6, 2016

Anthony Filiato, Chair
Mary Ann Jacobs
Eva B. Zimmerman, Secretary
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TOWN OF NEWTOWN

To: Board of Selectman

Recommendations

After extensive research, analysis, and discussion, the Ad Hoc Committee for Policy and Planning for roads believes it is in the best interest of the Town of Newtown to develop an updated policy regarding roads. In order for the Town to do this, the Committee recommends the following actions:

- I. The Legislative Council should be asked to update the existing roads ordinance incorporating these main ideas:
 - a. All roads in Newtown should be maintained by the Town-
 - b. Unpaved roads should be considered for paving based on a cost benefit analysis; roads that are too costly to maintain as unpaved should be paved.
 - c. "Non-conforming" roads should be defined as all roads not currently accepted into the town road system.
 - d. As some roads will never meet the current guidelines set forth in the existing policy for various reason (geography, etc.), the ordinance should contain a list of exceptions for these roads that predate the current process so that they may be accepted into the town road system.
 - e. The Ordinance committee should work with the Public Works Department to categorize these roads.
 - f. A process by which the roads on the exception list are accepted as town roads should be detailed.
 - g. All data regarding roads policy should be encapsulated under the umbrella of the updated roads ordinance so policy and procedures are clear moving forward.
 - h. The reality of existing barriers to create optimal road width, right of ways, etc. needs to be considered.
 - i. Active private associations with roads that are not part of the town roads system should they wish to present their roads to the town for acceptance, should be responsible for the legal work required to correct ownership and other issues necessary for the town to legally accept said roads into the town roads system.
 - j. In lieu of the existence of an active association where there are non-town owned roads, the town should reserve the right, in the event of a public safety concern to take over the roads.

- II. The Committee recommends that the Board of Selectman write a policy for roads to sit within the recommended ordinance changes that defines non-conforming roads base on paced or unpaved, site lines, scenic, number of houses on the road, and any other relevant concerns.

- III. The town should continue the practice of sweeping, maintaining and plowing all roads that have more than three homes and update the policy regarding same as necessary.

- IV. The Board of Selectman should write and maintain a clear policy that defines the cost to a private association of upkeep on roads that the association wishes to remain private that includes anything beyond the normal and customary sweeping, patching and plowing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony R. Filiato (Chair)
Eva B. Zimmerman (Secretary)
Anthony Klabonski
(Mary Ann Jacob)
(Fred Hurley)
(Rob Sibley)

Agreed May 18, 2016

- A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,765 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE SANDY HOOK DONATIONS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FROM THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

○ \$100	1-133-11-000-5800-4014 – UNDESIGNATED	S.H. SCHOOL
○ \$30	1-133-11-000-5800-4021 – POLICE	POLICE OPERATIONS
○ \$235	1-133-11-000-5800-4022 – FIRE	FIRE OPERATIONS
○ \$2,099	1-133-11-000-5800-4023 – 1 ST RESPONDERS	POLICE OPERATIONS
○ \$2,099	1-133-11-000-5800-4023 – 1 ST RESPONDERS	FIRE OPERATIONS
○ \$2,098	1-133-11-000-5800-4023 – 1 ST RESPONDERS	AMBULANCE OPERATIONS
○ \$9,104	1-133-11-000-5800-4024 – OTHER	SEE ATTACHED (OVER)

**Sandy Hook Donations
"Other" Account**

<u>To:</u>	<u>For:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Newtown Board of Education	S.H. School Supplies	49.71
	S.H. Library	475.00
	S.H. Counseling	854.26
		<hr/> 1,378.97
Parks & Recreation	Trees	2,068.78
Emergency Communications Center	Employee Benefits	1,000.00
Memorial	Memorial	3,600.00
Memorial Walkway	Memorial Walkway Maintenance	273.00
S.H. Fire Department	Operations	500.00
Senior Center	Operations	262.25
S.H. PTA	PTA	21.00
	GRAND TOTAL	<hr/> 9,104.00 *** <hr/>

*** These items were designated by donor

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN
SANDY HOOK SPECIAL REVENUE FUND DETAIL
5/9/2016**

ACCOUNT DESIGNATION:

UNDESIGNATED						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
	1	50,000	SCHOOL POLICE SECURITY OVERTIME *					
	1a	(50,000)						
	2	8,400	ADD'L TRAINING & STAFF (2) - SUMMER DAY CAMP		8,400	-		
	3	32,969	SECURITY - SUMMER DAY CAMP		32,969	-		
	4	50,000	EDUCATION IT CONTRACTED SERVICES		50,000	-		
	5	5,000	NYA FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTION		5,000	-		
	6	34,217	BOE ADDITIONAL VIDEO SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT		34,217	-		
	7	25,000	INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE FOR LIBRARY		25,000	-		
	8	774	MEMORIAL PLAYGROUND		774	-		
	9	4,900	LOOK BOOK		4,900	-		
	10	15,000	MARKETING PLAN FOR TICK BORNE DISEASE		481	14,519		
	11	17,540	BAND TRUCK		17,540	-		
<u>193,900</u>		<u>193,800</u>			<u>179,281</u>	<u>14,519</u>		<u>100</u>

SCHOOL PROJECT FACILITATOR / CONSULTANT						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
20,000	1	20,000	NEW SANDY HOOK SCHOOL FACILITATOR		10,082	9,918		-

SANDY HOOK SCHOOL						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
	1	60,000	NEW SANDY HOOK SCHOOL FACILITATOR		60,000	-		
	2	65,000	PRECONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR NEW SCHOOL		51,691	13,309		
	2a	(65,000)	RECLASSED TO CAPITAL PROJECT		(51,691)	(13,309)		
<u>175,385</u>		<u>60,000</u>			<u>60,000</u>	-		<u>115,385</u>

MENTAL HEALTH ADVISOR						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
50,000	1	50,000	MENTAL HEALTH ADVISOR		50,000	-		-

VICTORY GARDEN FENCE						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
9,400	1	9,400	VICTORY GARDEN FENCE		9,400	-		-

SCHOOLS						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
4,465		-			-	-		4,465

CHILDREN						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
2,995		-			-	-		2,995

PARKS						<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>					
2,500	1	2,500	DICKINSON PLAYGROUND PROJECT		2,500	-		-

* REIMBURSED BY GRANT

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN
SANDY HOOK SPECIAL REVENUE FUND DETAIL
5/9/2016**

ACCOUNT DESIGNATION:

PLAYGROUND						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
23,315	1	23,315	DICKINSON PLAYGROUND PROJECT	23,315	-	-
MEMORIAL						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
133,413		-		-	-	133,413
POLICE						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
20,401	1	20,371	POLICE PROTECTIVE VESTS	20,371	-	30
FIRE						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
235		-		-	-	235
FIRST RESPONDERS						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
52,924	1	3,629	POLICE PROTECTIVE VESTS	3,629	-	
	2	11,914	POLICE OPERATIONS	11,914	(0)	
	3	15,543	FIRE OPERATIONS	15,542	1	
	4	15,542	AMBULANCE OPERATIONS	15,543	(1)	
		<u>46,628</u>		<u>46,628</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,296</u>
SANDY HOOK MEMORIAL SIDEWALK						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
183,264		183,264	MEMORIAL SIDEWALK	183,264	-	0
OTHER						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
131,853	1	22,749	OTHER ITEMS (ITEMIZED IN LOG BOOK)	22,749	-	
	2	100,000	DICKINSON PLAYGROUND PROJECT	100,000	-	
		<u>122,749</u>		<u>122,749</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,104</u>
GRAND TOTALS						
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNEXPENDED</u>	<u>UNAPPROPRIATED</u>
<u>1,004,049</u>		<u>732,027</u>		<u>707,590</u>	<u>24,437</u>	<u>272,023</u>

UNEXPENDED = APPROPRIATED - EXPENDED
UNAPPROPRIATED = RECEIPTS - APPROPRIATED

* REIMBURSED BY GRANT

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$475,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND REPLACEMENT OF A BOILER AT MIDDLEGATE SCHOOL AS AUTHORIZED IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (2016-17 to 2020-2021) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$475,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID SPECIAL APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of \$475,000 is a special appropriation made pursuant to Chapter 6, Section 6-30 (a), (b) and (c) of the Town Charter of the Town of Newtown (the "Town") for the planning, design, construction and replacement of a boiler at Middlegate School, including, but not limited to, Part 1 –boiler plant replacement with gas fired high efficiency condensing boilers, replacement of circulation pumps, demolition, asbestos abatement, pipe insulation, cleaning and painting; Part 2 – lighting inside the facility to be retrofitted with LED lighting units, as authorized in the Capital Improvement Plan (2016-17 to 2020-2021) and for architect and engineer's fees, administrative, financing, legal and costs of issuance related thereto (collectively, the "Project"), said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof.

Section 2. To meet said appropriation, \$475,000 bonds of the Town, or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes"). The bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Financial Director, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Financial Director, in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Project determined after considering the estimated amount of State and Federal grants-in-aid of the Project, or the actual amount thereof if this be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the First Selectman and the Financial Director, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds including approval of the rate or rates of interest shall be determined by the First Selectman and the Financial Director, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the First Selectman and the Financial Director in a competitive offering and the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. To the extent required by the Charter of the Town of Newtown, bids shall be solicited from at least three lending institutions. A notice of sale or a summary thereof

describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds.

Section 4. The First Selectman and the Financial Director are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the First Selectman and the Financial Director, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The First Selectman is authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and/or grants-in-aid of the Project and is further authorized to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof and in connection therewith, to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

Section 6. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and anytime after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds or bond anticipation notes or other obligations ("Tax-Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax-Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Issuer hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Financial Director or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of Tax-Exempt Obligations, and to amend this declaration.

Section 7. The First Selectman and the Financial Director are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 8. The First Selectman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution.

Excerpt for Minutes of Board of Selectmen Meeting
held June 6, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Newtown was held in the Council Chamber of the Newtown Municipal Center on Monday, June 6, 2016, at 7:00P..M. (E.D.T.).

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Members present and absent were as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
E. Patricia Llodra	
William F.L. Rodgers	
Herbert C. Rosenthal	

* * *

Selectman Rosenthal introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$475,000 For The Planning, Design, Construction And Replacement Of A Boiler At Middlegate School As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Plan (2016-17 to 2020-21) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$475,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Special Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, a copy of which is attached hereto, said special appropriation was requested in a letter dated May 5, 2016 from Dr. Joseph V. Erardi, Superintendent of Public Schools, a copy of which is attached hereto, in accordance with Chapter 6, Section 6-30 (a), (b) & (c) of the Town Charter;

First Selectman Llodra moved that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read and the motion was seconded by Selectman Rodgers Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>
E. Patricia Llodra	
William F.L. Rodgers	
Herbert C. Rosenthal	

First Selectman Llodra thereupon declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

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RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,402,500 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NEWTOWN HIGH SCHOOL ROOF AS AUTHORIZED IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (2016-17 to 2020-2021) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,402,500 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID SPECIAL APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of \$1,402,500 is a special appropriation made pursuant to Chapter 6, Section 6-30 (a), (b) and (c) of the Town Charter of the Town of Newtown (the "Town") for the planning, design, construction and reconstruction of improvements to the Newtown High School roof, including, but not limited to, restoration and/or replacement of the roof; seam stripping and replacement, re-pitching, power washing, urethane coating, and waterproofing of brick wall area, as authorized in the Capital Improvement Plan (2016-17 to 2020-2021) and for architect and engineer's fees, administrative, financing, legal and costs of issuance related thereto (collectively, the "Project"), said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof.

Section 2. To meet said appropriation, \$1,402,500 bonds of the Town, or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes"). The bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Financial Director, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Financial Director, in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Project determined after considering the estimated amount of State and Federal grants-in-aid of the Project, or the actual amount thereof if this be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the First Selectman and the Financial Director, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds including approval of the rate or rates of interest shall be determined by the First Selectman and the Financial Director, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the First Selectman and the Financial Director in a competitive offering and the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. To the extent required by the Charter of the Town of Newtown, bids shall be solicited from at least three lending institutions. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days

in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds.

Section 4. The First Selectman and the Financial Director are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the First Selectman and the Financial Director, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The First Selectman is authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and/or grants-in-aid of the Project and is further authorized to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof and in connection therewith, to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

Section 6. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and anytime after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds or bond anticipation notes or other obligations ("Tax-Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax-Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Issuer hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Financial Director or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of Tax-Exempt Obligations, and to amend this declaration.

Section 7. The First Selectman and the Financial Director are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 8. The First Selectman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution.

Excerpt for Minutes of Board of Selectmen Meeting
held June 6, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Newtown was held in the Council Chamber of the Newtown Municipal Center on June 6, 2016, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

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Members present and absent were as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
E. Patricia Llodra	
William F.L. Rodgers	
Herbert C. Rosenthal	

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Selectman Rosenthal introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled "Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$1,402,500 For Planning, Design, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Newtown High School Roof As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Plan (2016-17 to 2020-2021) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,402,500 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Special Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose", a copy of which is attached hereto, said special appropriation was requested in a letter dated May 5, 2016 from Dr. Joseph V. Erardi, Superintendent of Public Schools, a copy of which is attached hereto, in accordance with Chapter 6, Section 6-30 (a), (b) & (c) of the Town Charter;

First Selectman Llodra moved that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read and the motion was seconded by Selectman Rodgers. Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>
E. Patricia Llodra	
William F.L. Rodgers	
Herbert C. Rosenthal	

First Selectman Llodra thereupon declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

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TOWN OF NEWTOWN
NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Electors and citizens qualified to vote at Town Meetings of the Town of Newtown are hereby duly notified and warned that a Special Town Meeting of the Town of Newtown will be held on Wednesday, June 22, 2016, at 7:15 P.M. (E.D.T.) at (to be determined), for the following purposes:

1. To receive a communication from the Board of Selectmen with respect to a resolution entitled “Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$1,402,500 For Planning, Design, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Newtown High School Roof As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Plan (2016-17 to 2020-2021) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,402,500 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Special Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”.

2. To consider and act upon a resolution entitled “Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$1,402,500 For Planning, Design, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Newtown High School Roof As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Plan (2016-17 to 2020-2021) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,402,500 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Special Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”.

3. To transact any other business proper to come before the meeting.

Copies of said proposed resolution are on file and open to public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Newtown, Connecticut, this 6th day of June, 2016.

Board of Selectmen

E. Patricia Llodra
William F.L. Rodgers
Herbert C. Rosenthal

Comments to SHPMC and Newtown BOS on Proposed Memorial and Access Plans

June 6
May 12, 2016

The Impact of The Proposed Memorial on the High Meadow is Underestimated and Underreported

1. **Site Marking Needed.** Without some definitive field marking the proposed memorial locations are not readily available to interested parties who would like to comment. The SHPMC is requested to immediately mark both sites A and B on location.
2. **Visibility of the Memorial.** The proposed memorial locations are much more visible from the existing Open Space access trail than they are from the upper meadow location where Stantec performed a view analysis. An Open Space visitor will see the memorial area while ascending much of the current trail. A person of average height will see a 6' tall memorial structure located near point A from the access trail. A study of the view of the memorial locations needs to be completed from critical points along the Open Space access trail.
3. **The Full Extent of Memorial Development Is Unreported or Unknown.**
 - a. The memorial has been discussed as requiring "only" 0.85 Acres to minimize its apparent impact. In reality, 0.85 Acres will consume an area of about 200' by 200'. This figure does not include roads, access paths, utility corridors, or drainage structures which will impact additional Open Space.
 - b. Some memorial access options have more than ½ mile of access road or trail crossing the Open Space. As a result, the total disturbed construction area includes an additional acre or more of the High Meadow and permanent habitat impact.
 - c. The SHPMC consistently refers to the need for water and electric utilities. The BOS has reported that no utilities will be allowed according to Land Use. If utilities are included, these impacts must be added to the extent of construction disturbance.
 - d. Once an option is selected by SHPMC, the limits of disturbance including roads, trails, parking and construction areas must be marked and included in all design estimates since resident use, agricultural use, and wildlife habitat will be affected. Residents deserve to see the proposed impact on their Open Space and the total impact must be known in project approval considerations.
4. **Impact on Existing Trails.** The proposed site appears to be very near a current trail, most likely a horse, bike, or pedestrian trail. Are Newtown residents expected to give up existing horse and hiking trails to the memorial? If so, these need to be defined.
5. **Immediate Impact on High Meadow Experience.** In reality, the High Meadow Open Space and its use will dramatically change forever for users the day the first piece of construction equipment begins to cut the access road or pathway.

Comments on Proposed Access Option G

1. **The High Meadow is Used to Experience Nature.** While Options A, C, and E are somewhat hidden from Open Space location users who do not wish to participate in the "memorial experience" (as described by Stantec comments), other options are much more intrusive to such users. Discussions with many residents using the site indicate

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that they come to the Open Space to enjoy a peaceful interaction with nature and they do not want to be reminded of the Sandy Hook tragedy while there.

2. ***The Proposed Memorial Consumes the High Meadow.*** Option G is the most intrusive option to those wishing to enjoy the High Meadow Open Space for its own sake. Option G requires ALL users of the trail accessing the area be exposed to memorial traffic and signage as they cross the memorial access path. There is no escape for those who do not wish to participate. Option G effectively converts the current public use of the Open Space into a forced “Memorial Experience” and should be removed from consideration to respect all Open Space users. The opinions of all site users must be considered in the use of this property.

Note – While these comments address Option G in particular, they in no way endorse any other option for the construction of a memorial in the High Meadow Open Space.

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