

**BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN
NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Borough of Newtown Board of Burgesses on **Tuesday, May 8, 2018** in the Borough Office at Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m.

Present: Warden James Gaston, Senior Burgess Jay Maher, Second Senior Burgess Betsy Kenyon, Burgess Chris Gardner, Burgess Bill Lucas, Burgess Anthony Baiad, Burgess Bill Eder, Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez, Treasurer Paula Brinkman, Tree Warden Rob McCulloch and Clerk Ann Scaia

Absent:

Also Present: 1 member of the public.

Second Senior Burgess Kenyon made a motion to accept the April 10, 2018 regular meeting minutes, seconded by Burgess Maher Gardner. Motion passed.

Public Participation: None.

Warden's Report: Warden Gaston mentioned the Board of Burgesses received a letter from the Edmond Town Hall Board of Managers requesting we relocate our offices to the old probate court office. There was discussion as to how such a move would be facilitated. Warden Gaston also reported the billing for Aquarion Water Company was accurate after an inquiry was made.

Tree Warden's Report: Rob McCulloch reported cutting down trees at the following locations: 2 Old Castle Drive; 8 & 10 Hanover Road; Between 22 & 24 Roosevelt Drive; 23 Main Street; 4 Taunton Lake Drive. He is currently working on tree maintenance at: 26 & 28 West Street; 10 Castle Hill Road; Cyrenius Booth Library; 32 Spiros Road.

Tax Collector's Report: Tax Collector Enriquez reported the following for April 2018: Total Taxes Due for the List of 2016: \$189,421.40; Current Taxes: \$188,476.01; Back Taxes: (\$1,704.02); Interest: \$1,410.57; Liens & Fees: \$192.00. Total Submitted to Treasurer to Date: \$188,125.00. Current Taxes Collected: \$188,476.01 representing 99.4%.

Second Senior Burgess Kenyon made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report for April 2018, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Paula Brinkman read the April 2018 report: A \$682.50 deposit was made from Borough Zoning Office. A \$26.61 deposit was made for miscellaneous property tax. No deposits were made from Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez. A transfer of \$19,100.00 was made to cover last month's invoicing. Interest on the 12 mo. CD was \$110.19 making a total of \$75,376.51.

Second Senior Burgess Kenyon made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for April 2018, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

Burgess Gardner made a motion to transfer \$4,000.00 from Fire Department, \$1,317.70 from Advertising and \$130.22 from Contingency to Fire Hydrants, seconded by Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Second Senior Burgess Kenyon made a motion to transfer \$130.00 from Bonds & Insurance and \$30.00 from Data Processing to Auxillary, seconded by Burgess Lucas and unanimously approved.

Burgess Gardner made a motion to transfer \$1,078.80 from Cultural Arts to Legal Fees, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

Burgess Baiad made a motion to transfer \$738.79 from Cultural Arts and \$768.02 from Streets & Parks to Street Lights, seconded by Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to transfer \$182.41 from Cultural Arts to Office Supplies, seconded by Second Senior Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Zoning Officer's Report: Nothing to report. A replacement is currently being investigated.

Historic District: Second Senior Burgess Kenyon reported Greg Smith of 72 Main Street requested putting in a fence in the back of the house. Second Senior Burgess and Stephanie Gaston visited the property and approved the installation of the fencing without requiring an application.

Sidewalks: Senior Burgess Maher had nothing to report.

Streets & Parks: Burgess Eder reported he contacted Ray Wisniewski, from the VFW, about the War Memorial flag pole. Mr. Wisniewski reviewed the lanyard on the flagpole and will be contacting Newtown Hook and Ladder in hopes they can assist in repairing the lanyard. Mr. Wisniewski hopes to have the flag pole ready by Memorial Day Weekend. Burgess Eder and Senior Burgess will work together to have Ken Burns repair the light fixtures.

New Business: None.

Old Business: Burgess Gardner reported the Lion's Club and Newtown Hook & Ladder will be changing the flag on the flag pole on Saturday, May 19 at 8am. A Hawley student raised money to help purchase the summer flag. There will be a ceremony commemorating the change of the flag. In anticipation of the event, Burgess Gardner will be putting a fresh coat of paint on the flag pole.

Public Participation: None.

There being no further business, Burgess Baiad made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m., seconded by Burgess Lucas and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Scaia
Borough Clerk

NEWTOWN BOROUGH TAX

MONTHLY REPORT FOR: APRIL 2018

TOTAL TAXES DUE FOR GRAND LIST 2016: \$189,421.40

AMOUNTS COLLECTED TO DATE:


CURRENT TAX:	\$188,476.01
BACK TAXES:	\$1,704.02
INTEREST:	\$1,410.57
LIENS & FEES:	\$192.00

TOTAL COLLECTED TO DATE:  \$191,782.60


REFUNDS PD IN PRIOR YRS	\$1,188.70
CURRENT REFUNDS:	\$199.65
CURRENT ADJUSTMENTS	(\$280.55)

TOTAL SUBMITTED TO TREASURER TO DATE: \$188,125.00

TAX COLLECTION SUMMARY:

CURRENT TAXES COLLECTED:	 \$188,476.01 	99.4%
CURRENT TAXES PENDING:	 \$945.39 	0.5%
OVERPAYMENTS:	<u>(\$149.32)</u>	
	 \$796.07	

NOTE:

BACK TAXES OUTSTANDING FOR LIST 2015 AND PRIOR:	\$675.14
CREDIT FROM PRIOR YEARS	<u>(\$19.48)</u>
	 \$655.66

DATE:
8-May-18

SIGN: _____
BOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR

Borough of Newtown
Newtown, CT
Monthly Treasurer's Report
For month ending April 30, 2018

Beginning Balance (April 1, 2018) \$428,330.43

OPERATING ACCOUNT (#673)

Income (Deposits)

Date	Description	Amount
April 2,2018	BZE	\$682.50
April 16,2018	Centurylink property tax	\$1.61
April 17,2018	Lathrop School of Dance (reissue from 2014)	\$25.00

Interest income (April 30, 2018) \$16.54

Total Income \$725.65

Expenses (checks written)

Date	Payable To	Description	Amount
Apr 4, 2018	Treasurer's Acct (331)	check #255	\$9,100.00
Apr 11, 2018	Treasurer's Acct (331)	check #256	\$10,000.00

Total Expenses \$19,100.00

Ending Cash Balance (April 30, 2018) \$409,956.08

Outstanding Checks	Payable To	Description	Amount
	Total Outstanding Checks		\$0.00

RECONCILED BANK BALANCE (April 30, 2018) \$409,956.08

12 MONTH CD ACCOUNT (#814) Matures 2/14/19 \$75,266.32

Interest income (April 30, 2018) Interest: 1.80 APY \$110.19

TOTAL \$75,376.51

Respectfully submitted on May 8, 2018