

**BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN  
NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Borough of Newtown Board of Burgesses on **Tuesday, June 12, 2018** in the Borough Office at Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 8:51 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:** None.

**Also Present:** 1 member of the public.

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

**Burgess Lucas made a motion to accept the May 8, 2018 regular meeting minutes,** seconded by Senior Burgess Maher. Motion passed.

A correction to the May 31, 2018 budget meeting minutes was requested. The original calculation of the 0.96 Mill Rate was incorrected. The correct calculation is now a 0.95 Mill Rate for the 2018-2019 Borough Budget.

**Second Senior Burgess Kenyon made a motion to accept the May 31, 2018 budget meeting minutes with the change noted above,** seconded by Senior Burgess Maher. Motion passed.

**Public Participation:** None.

**Warden's Report:** Nothing new to report.

**Tree Warden's Report:** Rob McCulloch reported many issues were addressed in the borough in light of the weather event on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Tax Collector's Report:** Tax Collector Enriquez reported the following for May 2018: Total Taxes Due for the List of 2016: \$189,421.40; Current Taxes: \$188,612.70; Back Taxes: (\$1,711.83); Interest: \$1,436.33; Liens & Fees: \$216.00. Total Submitted to Treasurer to Date: \$190,525.00. Current Taxes Collected: \$188,612.70 representing 99.5%.

**Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report for May 2018,** seconded by Burgess Lucas and unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Paula Brinkman read the May 2018 report: No deposit was made from Borough Zoning Office. A \$1.43 deposit was made for miscellaneous property tax. A deposit of \$2,400.00 was made from Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez. A transfer of \$10,000.00 was made to cover last month's invoicing. Interest on the 12 mo. CD was \$114.04 making a total of \$75,490.55.

**Burgess Gardner made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for May 2018,** seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

**Second Senior Burgess Kenyon made a motion to transfer \$132.78 from Contingency, \$146.59 from Sidewalks and \$384.83 from Streets and Parks to Advertising**, seconded by Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

**Burgess Gardner made a motion to transfer \$89.59 from Streets and Parks and \$100.41 from Building Clerk to Auxillary**, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

**Burgess Lucas made a motion to transfer \$403.03 from Building Clerk to Data Processing**, seconded by Burgess Eder and unanimously approved.

**Burgess Eder made a motion to transfer \$1,634.35 from Zoning Officer and \$1,003.93 from Payroll Taxes to Street Lights**, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

**Burgess Baiad made a motion to transfer \$280.63 from Payroll Taxes 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 had nothing to report.

**Sidewalks:** Senior Burgess Maher had nothing to report.

**Streets & Parks:** Burgess Eder reported the flagpole project at the war memorial is on hold due to the weather event on May 15<sup>th</sup>. He will contact Ray Wisniewski, from the VFW, next month to resume activity on the project.

**New Business:** Treasurer Hughes presented the existence of a "Go Fund Me" account which was created by Eric DaSilva for the purpose of supporting the preservation of Main Street. After discussion, the Burgesses agreed it was a wonderful idea but not economically practical at this point. The Burgesses may consider revisiting this idea in 6 months.

In correspondence with Treasurer Hughes, Rob Sibley, Deputy Director of Planning, will handle future Borough building and zoning finance and book keeping questions until the Borough Zoning Officer position is filled.

**Old Business:** None.

**Public Participation:** None.

**The regular meeting of the Board of Burgesses will be held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at 7:30p.m. in the Borough Office in Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT.**

**There being no further business, Burgess Eder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m.,** seconded by Second Senior Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Scaia  
Borough Clerk

# NEWTOWN BOROUGH TAX

MONTHLY REPORT FOR: MAY 2018

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

## AMOUNTS COLLECTED TO DATE:

CURRENT TAX:	\$188,612.70
BACK TAXES:	\$1,711.83
INTEREST:	\$1,436.33
LIENS & FEES:	\$216.00

TOTAL COLLECTED TO DATE: \$191,976.86

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

TOTAL SUBMITTED TO TREASURER TO DATE: \$190,525.00

## TAX COLLECTION SUMMARY:

CURRENT TAXES COLLECTED:	\$188,612.70	99.5%
CURRENT TAXES PENDING:	\$808.70	0.4%
OVERPAYMENTS:	(\$149.32)	
	<u>\$659.38</u>	

## NOTE:

BACK TAXES OUTSTANDING FOR LIST 2015 AND PRIOR:	\$642.55
CREDIT FROM PRIOR YEARS	(\$19.48)
	<u>\$623.07</u>

DATE:  
12-Jun-18

SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_  
BOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR

**Borough of Newtown**  
Newtown, CT  
Monthly Treasurer's Report  
For month ending May 31, 2018

**Beginning Balance ( May 1, 2018) \$409,956.08**

**OPERATING ACCOUNT (#673)**

**Income (Deposits)**

Date	Description	Amount
May 9, 2018	Tax Collector (YTD: \$190,525)	\$2,400.00
May 9, 2018	AT&T Property tax	\$1.43

**Interest income (May 31, 2018) \$17.27**

**Total Income \$2,418.70**

**Expenses (checks written)**

Date	Payable To	Description	Amount
May 9, 2018	Treasurer's Acct (331)	check #258	\$10,000.00

**Total Expenses \$10,000.00**

**Ending Cash Balance (May 31, 2018) \$402,374.78**

Outstanding Checks	Payable To	Description	Amount
	Total Outstanding Checks		<b>\$0.00</b>

**RECONCILED BANK BALANCE (May 31, 2018) \$402,374.78**

**12 MONTH CD ACCOUNT (#814) Matures 2/14/19 \$75,376.51**

**Interest income (May 31, 2018) Interest: 1.80 APY \$114.04**

**TOTAL \$75,490.55**

**Respectfully submitted on June 12, 2018**

**BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN  
NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**

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 31, 2018, at Edmond Town Hall, 45 Main Street, Newtown, CT for the purpose of voting on the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2018-19. 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 2016-2017</u>	<u>Estimated Budget 2017-2018</u>	<u>Proposed Budget 2018-2019</u>
ADVERTISING	\$ 1,983	2,500	3,000
AUDIT	6,000	5,900	6,100
AUXILLIARY HELP	4,384	3,000	7,000
BONDS & INSUR.	120	250	250
CULTURAL ARTS	0	2,000	0
CONSULTING	0	0	5,000
CONTINGENCY	3,342	1,500	3,500
DATA PROCESSING	2,414	3,500	3,500
ELECTION	7,500	0	7,500
FIRE HYDRANT	60,783	63,000	64,000
FIRE DEPT	6,500	6,500	6,500
HEALTH DISTRICT	0	10	10
HISTORIC DISTRICT	0	100	5,000
LEGAL FEES	7,500	10,000	25,000
SIDEWALKS	15,650	15,000	5,000
STREET LIGHTS	29,572	28,500	30,500
OFFICE MAINT & S	3,112	3,000	3,500
TREES AND MAINT	6,874	5,000	5,000
SOLDIERS & SAILORS	0	10	10
STREETS & PARKS	10,801	7,000	4,000

	Expenditure	Estimated Budget	Proposed Budget
FLAGPOLE	0	100	1,000
SOCIAL WORK	0	10	10
ASSESSOR	2,250	2,250	2,250
CLERK	4,500	4,500	4,500
TAX COLLECTOR	4,200	4,200	4,200
TREASURER	4,000	4,000	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	2,757	3,000	3,000
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\$	208,742	199,330	229,330
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Revenue Anticipated From Prior Year	\$ 1,000
Building Revenues Anticipated	5,000
Interest	1,000
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Total Revenues Anticipated	\$ 7,000

Money to be Raised from Taxes \$ 229,330 - \$7,000 = \$ 222,330

98.0% Tax Collection Rate

$1.02 \times \$222,330 = \$226,777$

\$226,777 divided by \$238,554,081 (1000's Grand List – Mill) = 0.95

2018-2019 Proposed Mill Rate = 0.95

Note: Pre-Revaluation

2013-2014 MILL RATE – 0.89

2014-2015 MILL RATE - 0.87

2015-2016 MILL RATE – 0.85

2016-2017 MILL RATE – 0.86

2017-2018 MILL RATE – 0.85

**James O. Gaston**

**Warden, Borough of Newtown**

**BOARD OF BURGESSES**

**Joseph M. Maher, III, Senior Burgess**

**Christopher Gardner, Burgess**

**Betsy Kenyon, Second Senior Burgess**

**William J. Lucas, III, Burgess**

**Anthony P. Baiad, Jr., Burgess**

**William E. Eder, Burgess**