

**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 9, 2017 in the Borough Office at Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Present: Warden James Gaston, Second Senior Burgess Jay Maher, Burgess Betsy Kenyon, Burgess Anthony Baiad, Burgess Bill Lucas, Burgess Chris Gardner, Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean, Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez, Treasurer Paula Brinkman, Clerk Ann Scaia

Absent: Senior Burgess Joan Crick, Tree Warden Rob McCulloch

Also Present: LeReine Frampton, Registrar of Voters and 28 members of the public.

Warden Gaston thanked everyone for attending the meeting and copies of the 2017-2018 proposed budget were distributed. He noted that the Mill Rate is slightly lower and went through each line item individually. Once again, the Borough will be supporting Newtown Hook & Ladder with their Annual Firehouse Ride Fundraiser. The line item of Cultural Arts was lowered since Flaggpole Radio Café did not perform last year and therefore the Borough did not contribute to it. There will be no monies required for the line item of Election since there will be no election next year.

Revenues Anticipated from Prior Year are \$4,000.00; Building Revenues Anticipated are \$10,000.00; and Interest is \$1,000.00 making total revenues other than taxes equal to \$15,000.00. The Tax Collection Rate is 97.0%. The Proposed Mill Rate for 2017-2018 is 0.85% which is slightly lower from last year.

Warden Gaston asked if there were any questions. There were none. There were 28 votes in support of the budget.

Burgess Maher made a motion to approve the Borough's 2017-2018 budget, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

Burgess Lucas made a motion to set the Borough's mill rate at 0.85%, seconded by Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Burgess Maher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48p.m., Burgess Gardner seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Scaia
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 9, 2017, at Edmond Town Hall, 45 Main Street, Newtown, CT for the purpose of voting on the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2017-18. 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 2015-2016</u>	<u>Estimated Budget 2016-2017</u>	<u>Proposed Budget 2017-2018</u>
ADVERTISING	\$ 1,318	2,500	2,500
AUDIT	5,900	5,700	5,900
AUXILLIARY HELP	2,385	3,000	3,000
BONDS & INSUR.	220	250	250
CULTURAL ARTS	0	4,000	2,000
CONSULTING	0	0	0
CONTINGENCY	500	1,500	1,500
DATA PROCESSING	2,650	2,500	3,500
ELECTION	2,823	2,850	0
FIRE HYDRANT	58,926	65,000	63,000
FIRE DEPT	2,000	6,500	6,500
HEALTH DISTRICT	0	10	10
HISTORIC DISTRICT	0	100	100
LEGAL FEES	9,105	7,500	10,000
SIDEWALKS	8,156	15,000	15,000
STREET LIGHTS	28,175	28,500	28,500
OFFICE MAINT & S	2,413	3,500	3,000
TREES AND MAINT	0	5,000	5,000
SOLDIERS & SAILORS	0	10	10
STREETS & PARKS	9,545	7,000	7,000

	Expenditure	Estimated Budget	Proposed Budget
FLAGPOLE	0	100	100
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
EDMOND TOWN H	3,500	3,500	5,000
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	\$ 176,323	202,980	200,830
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Revenue Anticipated From Prior Year	\$ 4,000
Building Revenues Anticipated	10,000
Interest	1,000

Total Revenues Anticipated	\$ 15,000

Money to be Raised from Taxes $\$ 200,830 - \$15,000 = \$ 185,830$

97.0% Tax Collection Rate

$1.03 \times \$185,830 = \$191,140$

$\$191,140 \text{ divided by } \$222,568,039 \text{ (1000's Grand List - Mill)} = 0.85$

2017-2018 Proposed Mill Rate = 0.85

Note:

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

(Decrease in Mill Rate = 0.01 Mill)

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

William J, Lucas, III, Burgess