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Minutes of the special meeting of the property owners and/or electors of the Borough of Newtown on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at Edmond Town Hall in the Old Courtroom, for the purpose of voting on the proposed budget for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

Present: Warden James Gaston, Second Senior Burgess Jay Maher, Burgess Betsy Kenyon, Burgess Anthony Baiad, Burgess Bill Lucas, Burgess Kim D'Amico, Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez, Treasurer Cathy Monckton, Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean, Clerk Ann Benore, Tree Warden Rob McCulloch

Absent: Senior Burgess Joan Crick

Warden Gaston thanked everyone for attending the meeting and copies of the proposed budget were distributed. He read the Legal Notice of the Budget 2013-2014 as published in The Newtown Bee.

<u>Donald Mitchell made a motion to accept the budget as set forth in the legal notice as part</u> <u>of the record</u>, seconded by Claudia Mitchell and unanimously approved.

Bob Geckle stated that he would like to see a flat budget given the scope of state and local taxes and asked about the proposed increase. Warden Gaston said that the budget has been flat for six years and the proposed mill rate of 0.89 reflects an approximate 30% value depreciation in Grand List properties. Warden Gaston also stated that the budget reflects an increase in salaries which have remained flat for the past six years.

Warden Gaston asked if there were any further questions. There being none, a vote was taken to pass the budget. There were 21 votes in favor of the budget and none opposed. The budget passed.

Burgess Baiad made a motion to set the Borough's mill rate for 2013-2014 at 0.89%, seconded by Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Burgess Baiad made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m., Burgess Kenyon seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted, Ann M. Benore Borough Clerk