

**BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN
NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Borough of Newtown Board of Burgesses on **Tuesday, June 11, 2013** at Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

Present: Warden James Gaston, Senior Burgess Joan Crick, Second Senior Burgess Jay Maher, Burgess Betsy Kenyon, Burgess Bill Lucas, Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean, Treasurer Cathy Monckton, Clerk Ann Benore, Tree Warden Rob McCulloch

Absent: Burgess Kim D'Amico, Burgess Anthony Baiad, Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez

Burgess Kenyon made a motion to accept the May 14, 2013 special meeting minutes,
seconded by Burgess Lucas and unanimously approved.

Warden Gaston pointed out an error in the May 14, 2013 regular meeting minutes. On page two, the minutes should read Paula Brinkman Hughes as opposed to Paul Brinkman Hughes.

Burgess Lucas made a motion to accept the May 14, 2013 regular meeting minutes with the correction, seconded by Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Public Participation: None.

Warden's Report: Warden Gaston thanked everyone for voting last month at the budget meeting. He said that the Borough is in great shape because of the volunteers and members of the Board and their dedication to the Borough.

Tree Warden: Tree Warden McCulloch reported that the last of the stump grinding has been completed on Queen Street. He is continuing to work with Gary Storms from the Lion's Club on the tree project that was presented last month. Once the tree mapping is complete, he asked where the Board would like to see any extra trees planted other than Main Street. Discussion followed.

Tax Collector's Report: No report due to Tax Collector Enriquez's absence.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Cathy Monckton read the report: No deposit was made this month from Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez making a total of \$166,500.00. A transfer of \$25,000.00 was made to cover this month's invoicing. Capital Reserve is \$1,901.32 as of May 31, 2013.

Burgess Lucas made a motion to transfer \$222.47 from Trees & Tree Maintenance to Advertising, seconded by Second Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Senior Burgess Crick made a motion to transfer \$1,625.00 from Trees & Tree Maintenance to Legal Fees, seconded by Second Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to transfer \$184.03 from Trees & Tree Maintenance to Office Supplies, seconded by Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to transfer \$471.07 from Trees & Tree Maintenance to Streets & Parks, seconded by Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Treasurer Monckton also reported that the two CD's will be maturing in October and suggested the Board think about options that may result in better interest rates.

Burgess Lucas made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Warden Gaston thanked Cathy Monckton for all her work as Treasurer and accepted her resignation.

Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to nominate Paula Brinkman Hughes as the new Treasurer, seconded by Burgess Kenyon and unanimously approved.

Zoning Officer's Report: Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean reported that she will meet with Treasurer Brinkman Hughes to discuss matters dealing with the D.E.E.P. and billing procedures. She also reported that there was a problem with a transformer on a telephone pole on Borough Lane/Queen Street that affected 4 houses. There was a power surge which resulted in a fire. She said CL&P took care of the matter.

Historic District: Burgess Kenyon had nothing new to report.

Sidewalks: Senior Burgess Maher reminded the Board that the new season for sidewalk repair begins on July 1st and he asked for suggestions. Warden Gaston asked members to think about options and the matter will be discussed further at next month's meeting.

Streets & Parks: Senior Burgess Maher had nothing to report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Senior Burgess Crick reported that on June 23, 2013 there will be a demonstration by Newtown Hook & Ladder at the Matthew Curtiss House from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. Former members of the fire company will be honored as part of Newtown Historical Society's 17th Annual House and Garden Tour.

Public Participation: None.

A regular meeting the Board of Burgesses will be held on Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Borough Office at Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT

There being no further business, Burgess Lucas made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m., seconded by Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. Benore
Borough Clerk