BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Borough of Newtown Board of Burgesses on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at Edmond Town Hall, Newtown. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 7:41 p.m.

<u>Present</u>: Warden James Gaston, Senior Burgess Joan Crick, Second Senior Burgess Jay Maher, Burgess Anthony Baiad, Burgess Bill Lucas, Treasurer Paula Brinkman, Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean, Clerk Ann Benore

Absent: Burgess Betsy Kenyon, Burgess Kim D'Amico, Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez

Also Present: Tree Warden Rob McCulloch

Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to accept the October 8, 2013 regular meeting minutes, seconded by Burgess Lucas and unanimously approved.

Public Participation: None.

<u>Warden's Report</u>: Warden Gaston sent a letter to Attorney Don Mitchell requesting legal opinion on the bamboo problem.

<u>Tree Warden</u>: Tree Warden Rob McCulloch stated that 6 trees were planted on Glover Avenue. The total cost for the project was \$2,080.00 for trees and \$1,080.00 for the labor. Lou Sclafani, 10 Glover Avenue, made a \$500.00 donation to the project. The total cost brought us \$875.00 over budget for trees and tree maintenance.

Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to transfer \$875.00 from Contingency to Trees <u>& Tree Maintenance</u>, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

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

<u>**Treasurer's Report</u>**: Treasurer Paula Brinkman read the report for October 2013: A deposit of \$4,000.00 was made from Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez making a total of \$185,000.00 to date. A \$10,000 transfer was made to cover this month's invoicing. Capital Reserve is \$1,901.71 as of October 31, 2013.</u>

Burgess Lucas made a motion to accept the October 2013 Treasurer's Report, seconded by Second Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Zoning Officer's Report: Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean reported that the State gave final approval for the traffic light at The Boulevard and Church Hill Road. She also reported that the building and zoning fees coming in should be substantial in the upcoming months. The new owner of 27 Church Hill Road will be either renovating or taking down the building very soon. Ms. St. Jean

also reported that she and George Benson will be talking to the owners of 14 Queen Street and 48 Main Street regarding the new blight ordinance put into place by the Town.

Historic District: No report due to Burgess Kenyon's absence.

<u>Sidewalks</u>: Second Senior Burgess Maher reported that a private donor has come forward to take care of the sidewalk work to be done on Church Hill Road from The Newtown Bee up to the flagpole. Since the sidewalk is located in the Village District, granite will have to be used. Mr. Maher will be putting out an RFP for the engineering services for the project.

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

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Public Participation: None.

The regular meeting of the Borough of Newtown Board of Burgesses will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Borough Office at Edmond Town Hall.

<u>There being no further business, Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to adjourn</u> <u>the meeting at 8:42 p.m.</u>, seconded by Burgess Lucas and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. Benore Borough Clerk