

**BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN  
NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Borough of Newtown Board of Burgesses on **Tuesday, November 8, 2016** in the Borough Office at Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT. Warden Gaston called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

**Present:** Warden James Gaston, Senior Burgess Joan Crick, Second Senior Burgess Jay Maher, Burgess Anthony Baiad, Burgess Bill Lucas, Burgess Chris Gardner, Treasurer Paula Brinkman, Tree Warden Rob McCulloch, Clerk Ann LoBosco

**Absent:** Burgess Betsy Kenyon, Tax Collector Jodie Enriquez, Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean, Tree Warden Rob McCulloch

**Burgess Lucas made a motion to accept the October 11, 2016 regular meeting minutes,** seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

**Public Participation:** None.

**Warden's Report:** Warden Gaston reported that since the Borough has accounts with Newtown Savings Bank, we received a proxy for approval of a plan of reorganization from a mutual savings bank to a mutual holding company. The bank has been hit hard with foreclosures therefore this reorganization will offer protection. All burgesses agreed to support the proxy.

**Burgess Baiad made a motion to support the proxy provided by Newtown Savings Bank to reorganize to a mutual holding company,** seconded by Second Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

**Tree Warden's Report:** In Mr. McCulloch's absence, Clerk LoBosco reported that 15 stumps were removed and there are no new work orders from the Town.

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Brinkman presented the October 2016 report: A deposit was made by Tax Collector Enriquez in the amount of \$2,300.00 making YTD total of \$183,600. A transfer of \$15,000.00 was made to cover last month's invoicing. Interest on the 1 Yr. CD was \$26.28 making a total of \$74,021.94. The 1 Yr. CD matured on October 31, 2016 has been renewed for 15 months at 1.15% APY maturing on 1/28/18.

**Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for October 2016**, seconded by Burgess Gardner and unanimously approved.

**Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to transfer \$1,000.00 from Contingency and \$1,023.57 from Street Lights to Trees & Tree Maintenance**, seconded by Burgess Baiad and unanimously approved.

**Zoning Officer's Report:** No report due to Zoning Officer Jean St. Jean's absence.

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

**Sidewalks:** Second Senior Burgess Maher reported that a Request for Bid for sidewalk work at 64 Main Street has been posted and bids are being submitted.

**Streets & Parks:** Second Senior Burgess Maher reported that the flagpole's street lamp has been replaced by Ken Burns Electrical Contractors.

**Old Business:** Warden Gaston reported that the Borough Zoning Commission recently passed a Village District Ordinance. The Historic District homes were included in the ordinance and should have excluded given the potential for inconsistencies of regulations and rulings by Boards and Commissions. Warden Gaston drafted and read an ordinance that exempts Historic District properties from the Village District Regulation Inclusion.

**Second Senior Burgess Maher made a motion to pass the "Borough of Newtown Historic District Exemption from Borough Zoning Village District Regulation Inclusion" ordinance effective December 1, 2016 to be published twice in The Bee**, seconded by Burgess Gardner and unanimously approved.

**New Business:** Burgess Gardner reported that he and Burgess Lucas have arranged for the summer flag to be lowered by Newtown Hook & Ladder and the winter flag raised in its place. The Lions Club will be participating and will be holding a ceremony.

**Public Participation:** None.

The regular meeting the Board of Burgesses will be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Borough Office in Edmond Town Hall, Newtown, CT

**There being no further business, Burgess Lucas made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m.,** seconded by Second Senior Burgess Maher and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. LoBosco  
Borough Clerk

**Borough of Newtown**  
 Newtown, CT  
 Monthly Treasurer's Report  
 For month ending October 31, 2016

**Beginning Balance ( October 1, 2016) \$488,371.77**

**OPERATING ACCOUNT (#673)**

**Income (Deposits)**

Date	Description	Amount
Oct. 12, 2016	Tax Collector (YTD: \$183,600)	\$2,300.00
Oct. 12, 2016	OPMMI	\$129.00
Oct. 18, 2016	Jean St. Jean (building/zoning fees)	\$20,627.57

**Interest income (October 31, 2016) \$19.48**

**Total Income \$23,076.05**

**Expenses (checks written)**

Date	Payable To	Description	Amount
Oct. 8, 2016	check #236 Treasurer's Acct (331)		\$15,000.00

**Total Expenses \$15,000.00**

**Ending Cash Balance (October 31, 2016) \$496,447.82**

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

**RECONCILED BANK BALANCE ( October 31, 2016) \$496,447.82**

**1 Yr. CD ACCT. (#814) matured 10/24/16 \$73,995.66**

**Interest income (October 31, 2016) \$26.28**  
 interest .50%

**TOTAL \$74,021.94**

\* new term/rate upon renewal: 15 months at 1.15% APY maturing 1/28/18

Respectfully submitted on November 8, 2016

Paula Brinkman, Treasurer

*Paula Brinkman*

**BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT EXEMPTION FROM  
BOROUGH ZONING VILLAGE DISTRICT REGULATION (VILLAGE  
DISTRICT REGULATION EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2016)**

**PURPOSE:**

The Borough of Newtown enacts the instant ordinance to exclude and exempt from the Borough Zoning Village District Regulations passed by the Borough of Newtown Zoning Commission and effective October 3, 2016, all commercial, residential, municipal and State properties in the Borough of Newtown Historic District presently and in the future. The Borough submits that positive benefits to the residents of the community, including to the health, welfare, economy and environment inure with such effectuation of the instant ordinance. Some benefits are, but not limited to, that the Borough of Newtown Historic District is important to the continued historic preservation of the community and is an effective statutory/governmental tool to such objective; that the additional burden imposed by the Zoning Village District Regulations upon Historic District property owners will create potential inconsistencies of regulation and rulings by Boards and Commissions; may unnecessarily result in depreciation of property values; will likely dissuade other property owners from including their property in the highly effective Historic District preservation effort; impose an additional and burdensome time and financial impact on Historic District property owners when attempting to alter or improve their properties; and may impose an unnecessary and extensive financial burden on the taxpayers of the Borough by requiring the employment of expert consultants by the Borough Zoning Commission.

**SUBJECT**

As the Borough of Newtown Zoning Commission passed new Village District Zoning Regulations in September of 2016, effective on October 3, 2016, mainly applicable to Main Street and South Main Street that also include properties within the Borough of Newtown Historic District, it is hereby enacted that all present and future Borough of Newtown Historic District properties are exclude and exempt from the Borough Zoning Village District Regulations passed by the Borough of Newtown Zoning Commission and effective October 3, 2016, and any modifications thereof. Any property not presently in the Borough of Newtown Historic District, upon inclusion into the Historic District shall be immediately excluded and exempt from the Borough Zoning Village District Regulations referenced herein and/or modifications thereof.

**TIMING:**

This Ordinance is approved by the Board of Burgesses on November 8, 2016, and shall become effective on December 1, 2016.

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JAMES O. GASTON, SR. – WARDEN  
BOROUGH OF NEWTOWN

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DATE

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JOAN G. CRICK – 1<sup>ST</sup> SENIOR  
BURGESS BOROUGH OF  
NEWTOWN