

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE MOTIONS AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL  
BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE

The **Board of Finance** held a special meeting on the 2013-2014 budget on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 in Council Chamber of the Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT. John Kortze called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

**PRESENT:** John Kortze, Joseph Kearney, James Gaston, Jr., Richard Oparowski, Harry Waterbury and Carol Walsh.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Discussion and possible action:**

2. **2012-2013 Town of Newtown Budget:** Mr. Kortze clarified a line item was added to the Selectman budget for the private school grants for security. The original motion at the meeting of 3/11/13 failed. The next motion to allow for \$150,000 (\$50,000 per school) was believed to have failed with one nay, three ayes and two abstentions. A legal opinion from the Town Attorney states the motion passed and the balance of motions will be considered a nullity which is as if they didn't happen. The result is that the \$150,000 (\$50,000 for each school) to be added to the town side budget with its own separate line item is adopted. The abstentions stand as well.

Mr. Kearney moved to increase the requested Board of Selectman amount for the Chief of Police salary by \$1,600. Mr. Oparowski seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Kearney moved to increase the requested Board of Selectman amount for the Captain's salary by \$1,000. Mr. Gaston seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Kearney moved to reduce the towns equipment fuel line item by \$30,663. Mr. Waterbury seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Kearney moved to reduce Public Building heat by \$2,616. Mr. Waterbury seconded. All in favor.

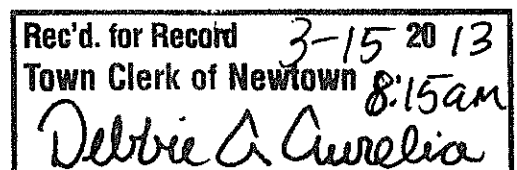
Mr. Kearney moved to recommend to the Legislative Council the Board of Selectman budget in the amount of \$39,054,520 which includes \$10,058,924. Mr. Gaston seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Oparowski moved to reduce the Board of Education budget by \$1.5 million. Mr. Waterbury seconded. Motion failed by a roll call vote: (Aye: Oparowski, Kearney) (Nay: Gaston, Waterbury, Walsh, Kortze).

Mr. Kearney moved to reduce the Board of Education budget by \$1,164,540. Mr. Oparowski seconded. Motion failed by a roll call vote: (Aye: Oparowski, Kearney) (Nay: Gaston, Waterbury, Walsh, Kortze).

Mr. Kortze moved to reduce the Board of Education budget by \$750,000. Mr. Kearney seconded.

Ms. Walsh moved to amend the motion to reduce the Board of Education budget by \$650,000. Mr. Gaston seconded. Amended motion failed by a roll call vote: (Aye: Walsh, Gaston)



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(Nay: Oparowski, Kearney, Waterbury, Kortze).

The motion on the table in the amount of \$750,000 passed by a roll call vote: (Aye: Gaston, Waterbury, Walsh, Kortze) (Nay: Oparowski, Kearney).

Mr. Oparowski moved to authorize the finance director to make any clerical corrections needed. Mr. Kearney seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Waterbury moved the Board of Education bottom line of \$72,095,304. Mr. Gaston seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Kearney moved the bottom line Revenue in the amount of \$111,149,824. Mr. Waterbury seconded. All in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business the special Board of Finance meeting was adjourned at 10:30pm.

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Susan Marcinek, Clerk