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Legislative Council Administration and Finance Committee Minutes of March 23, 2016

The Legislative Council Administration and Finance Committee held a Special meeting in Meeting Room 3 at the Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, on CT on March 23, 2016 at 6:3 0 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

Attendance: Committee Members Dan Amaral, Anthony Filiato, Mary Ann Jacob, Ryan Knapp, Paul Lundquist and George Ferguson were present. Others present included two citizens and one member of the press.

Voter Comment: There was no voter comment.

Minutes: Mary Ann Jacob moved to approve the minutes of March 16, 2016, seconded by

Paul Lundquist. Unanimously approved.

Communications: There were no communications.

Discussion and Possible Action:

- A. Discussion of the Specific Elements of the Town of Newtown 2016 / 2017 Budget as charged by the Legislative Council. (Anticipated elements follow this agenda)
- B. Establish Future Meeting Dates as appropriate.

Discussion: A general discussion about the Employee Health Benefits Self Insurance Fund and

Ordinance took place. Committee Members agreed that there is a desire to learn more about the claims history of the Fund and the levels of corpus and reserves needed especially in light of the individual and collective stop loss insurance being utilized. It was agreed this is a post budget discussion that should be held by the

Legislative Council.

Motions: Paul Lundquist moved to reduce by \$15,000 the line item for Legal Fees from

\$200,000 to \$185,000. Seconded by Anthony Filiato. Motional passed 4 to 2 with Council Members Knapp, Filiato, Amaral and Lundquist voting in favor, and Jacob

and Ferguson voting against.

Paul Lundquist moved to reduce by \$18,000 the line item for Sandy Hook

Organization for Prosperity (SHOP). Seconded for discussion by Anthony Filiatio. Motion Failed 3 to 3. Voting in Favor Council Members Lundquist, Filiato and

Amaral. Voting against Council Members Jacob, Knapp and Ferguson.

Ryan Knapp moved to reduce by \$3,000 the line item for Sandy Hook Organization for Prosperity (SHOP). Seconded by Paul Lundquist. Motion Passed 4 to 2 with Council Members Knapp, Lundquist, Filiato and Amaral voting in favor and Council Members Jacob and Ferguson voting against.

Old Business

Voter Comment - There was no voter comment. Announcements - There were no announcements.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned on motion from Mary Ann Jacob and Second by Anthony

<u>Filiato</u>

George Ferguson Chair