

To: Mr. Bill Hart, Chair Newtown Board of Education

From: E. Patricia Llodra, Newtown 1st Selectmen

Date: October 18, 2010

Subj: Goals and Space Needs

I note in the 2010-2011 goals for the Board of Education the following:

Evaluate and decide on implementation of full-day kindergarten. Considerations to include:

- a. Educational efficacy of full-day kindergarten*
- b. Impact on Community*
- c. Cost*
- d. Space*

I am most concerned about planning toward implementation of full-day kindergarten given the space needs required for that program expansion. It is particularly troublesome to consider such a change at the very same time that we are considering the possibilities surrounding a projected decline in K-12 student population. As you and I have discussed, one possibility if/when the projected decline does occur is the closing of a school and relocation of those students. Using available space for the purpose of full-day kindergarten reduces the overall options that should be fairly assessed during the space needs study and may, in fact, pre-determine the outcome of such a study.

I am asking that the implementation of full-day kindergarten be put on hold so that options for future actions related to facilities are not pre-empted.

I am prepared to discuss this directly with the Board of Education if you so choose.

C: Dr. Janet Robinson
Members Board of Education

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,070,000 FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AS AUTHORIZED IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2010-2011 TO 2014-2015, INCLUSIVE) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,070,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of \$2,070,000 is a special appropriation made pursuant to Chapter 6, Section 6-30 (a), (b) and (c) of the Town Charter of the Town of Newtown to meet the estimated costs of the various public improvements set forth below as authorized in the capital improvement program (2010-11 to 2014-2015, inclusive), and for administrative, financing, legal and costs of issuance related thereto (collectively, the "Project"), said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof:

Renovations to Parks & Recreation Maintenance Facility (Phase II)	\$ 350,000
Bridge Replacement – Old Mill Dam	270,000
Sandy Hook Streetscape	1,000,000
Sandy Hook Water Main Extension	<u>450,000</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$2,070,000</u>

Section 2. To meet said appropriation, \$2,070,000 bonds of the Town, or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes"). The bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Financial Director, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Financial Director, in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Project determined after considering the estimated amount of State and Federal grants-in-aid of the Project, or the actual amount thereof if this be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the First Selectman and the Financial Director, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company

may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds including approval of the rate or rates of interest shall be determined by the First Selectman and the Financial Director, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the First Selectman and the Financial Director in a competitive offering and the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. To the extent required by the Charter of the Town of Newtown, bids shall be solicited from at least three lending institutions. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds.

Section 4. The First Selectman and the Financial Director are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the First Selectman and the Financial Director, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The balance of any appropriation or the proceeds of any bonds issued to meet any appropriation not needed to meet the cost of any capital improvement described in Section 1 hereof, may be transferred by the First Selectman and the Financial Director, to meet the additional cost of any other improvement set forth in Section 1.

Section 6. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and anytime after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds or bond anticipation notes or other obligations ("Bonds") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Bonds shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Issuer hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date.

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ROBERT G. TAIT
FINANCE DIRECTOR

TOWN OF NEWTOWN
OFFICE OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

October 04, 2010

Mr. John Kortze, Chair
Board of Finance

Dear John,

I'm requesting special appropriations totaling \$3,570,000 to be financed by issuing bonds. This request represents various projects in the CIP (2010 – 2011 to 2014 – 2015, inclusive) not authorized yet. They are:

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| • Renovations to Parks & Recreation Maintenance Facility (phase II) | \$350,000 |
| • Bridge Replacement – Old Mill Dam | \$270,000 |
| • Sandy Hook Streetscape | \$1,000,000 |
| • Sandy Hook Water Main Extension | \$450,000 |
| • Hook & Ladder Fire House | \$1,500,000 |

These projects will be divided into two separate bond resolutions. The first four projects will be grouped into one representing “various projects” and the last project above will be in another.

I'm asking the Board of Finance to include this action on its October 12, 2010 agenda. I will be providing an impact statement for each project (per Town Charter 6-100).

Sincerely,

Robert G. Tait
Finance Director

Cc: BOS; LC

TOWN OF NEWTOWN
NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Electors and citizens qualified to vote at Town Meetings of the Town of Newtown are hereby duly notified and warned that a Special Town Meeting of the Town of Newtown will be held on Monday, November 15, 2010, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.) in the Council Chamber at 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, for the following purposes:

1. To receive a communication from the Board of Selectmen with respect to a resolution entitled "Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$2,070,000 For Various Public Improvements As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Program (2010-2011 To 2014-2015, Inclusive) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$2,070,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose".

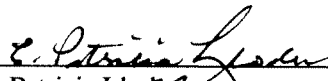
2. To consider and act upon a resolution entitled "Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$2,070,000 For Various Public Improvements As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Program (2010-2011 To 2014-2015, Inclusive) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$2,070,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose".

3. To transact any other business proper to come before the meeting.

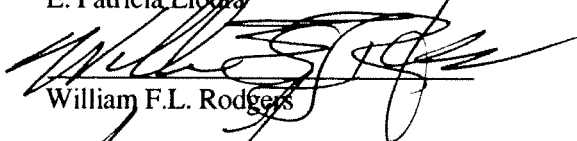
Copies of said proposed resolution are on file and open to public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Newtown, Connecticut, this 1st day of November, 2010.

Board of Selectmen



E. Patricia Llodra



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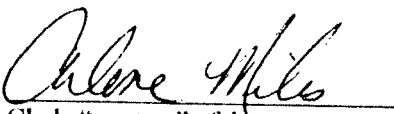
October 21, 2010

To the Board of Selectmen

Members of the Board:

At a meeting of the Legislative Council held October 21, 2010, a motion was adopted to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to call a Special Town Meeting to consider and take action upon the resolution entitled "Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$2,070,000 For Various Public Improvements As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Program (2010-2011 To 2014-2015, Inclusive) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$2,070,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose", a copy of which is attached hereto, said special appropriation was requested in a letter dated October 4, 2010 from Robert G. Tait, Financial Director, a copy of which is attached hereto, in accordance with Chapter 6, Section 6-30 (a), (b) & (c) of the Town Charter.

Very truly yours,


Clerk, "pro tem" of the
Legislative Council

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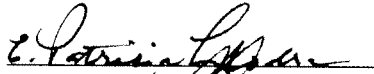
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Valley Council of Governments (Grantor) is a recipient of a Recovery Act Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund (BCRLF) capitalization grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and is authorized under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) to make subgrants to eligible entities and non-profit organizations to conduct activities involving the remediation of hazardous substances upon eligible Brownfield sites; and

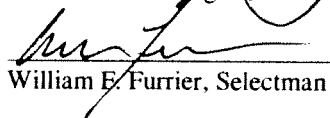
WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Newtown accept such assistance in the form of a grant from the Valley Council of Governments Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund an amount of \$ 100,000 in order to undertake hazardous substances removal at the Fairfield Hills campus.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Newtown Board of Selectmen:

That E. Patricia Llodra, First Selectman is authorized and directed to execute and file an Agreement with the Valley Council of Governments for financial assistance in an amount of \$100,000 and to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required, to execute any amendments, decisions and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Newtown, Connecticut.


E. Patricia Llodra, First Selectman


William F. L. Rodgers, Selectman


William E. Furrier, Selectman

11-1-10

Date