

Board of Selectmen  
January 4, 2016

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting Monday, January 4, 2016 in the Council Chamber of the Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street. First Selectman Llodra called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

**PRESENT:** First Selectman Llodra, Selectman William F.L. Rodgers, Selectman Herbert C. Rosenthal.

**ALSO PRESENT:** one member of the press.

**VOTER COMMENTS:** none.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:** Selectman Rodgers moved to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 12/21/15. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor of the minutes as amended.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Selectman Rosenthal asked about the unsightly soda machine outside the Police Department. First Selectman Llodra said she would speak to the Chief.

**FINANCE DIRECTORS REPORT:** none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion and possible action:**

- 1.) **Appointments/Reappointments/vacancies/openings:** Selectman Rodgers moved the attached list of appointments. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor. First Selectman Llodra then went over the list of vacancies and openings (att.) speaking of the excellent work of Jean Leonard, who was the Chairman of the Economic Development Commission and passed away over the holidays. There was discussion on the process of vetting unaffiliated voters.
- 2.) **Driveway bond release/Extension:** Selectman Rodgers moved the \$2,000 driveway bond release for Andrew Buonainto, 10 Longview Road, M45, B1, L52. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor. Selectman Rosenthal moved the driveway bond releases, \$1,000 each, for Castle Meadow, LLC, 4 Castle Meadow Road, M32, B7, L8.3 and 6 Castle Meadow Road, M32, B7, L8.2. Selectman Rodgers seconded. All in favor.
- 3.) **Tax Refunds:** Selectman Rodgers moved the January 2016, tax refunds, refund No. 10, 2015/16 in the amount of \$2,486.42. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.
- 4.) **Certified Resolution for financial assistance for the purpose of maintaining a cemetery:** Selectman Rosenthal moved the certified resolution for financial assistance for the neglected cemetery account grant program, and directed E. Patricia Llodra to execute and file such an application with the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management and further moved to waive the reading of the entire resolution (att.). Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.

**VOTER COMMENTS:** none.

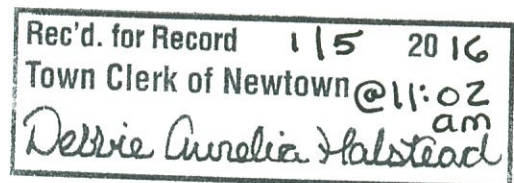
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** First Selectman Llodra announced that the budget meetings will begin on Jan. 19 at 7:00pm because there will be a presentation by Ad Hoc Roads Committee as well as a discussion with Peter Alagna relative to 22 years of sewers in Newtown.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting at 7:57p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Marcinek

Susan Marcinek, Clerk



*Attachments: appointments/reappointments; openings/vacancies; certified resolution*

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN – January 4, 2016**

### **RE-APPOINTMENT**

#### **Board of Ethics**

(D) James Stringer, 29 Rock Ridge Road 01/06/16 – 01/06/20

#### **Commission on Aging**

(R) Barbara Bloom, 25 Philo Curtis Road 01/06/16 – 01/06/19

#### **Conservation**

(D) Karlyn Sturmer, 22 Old Green Road 12/31/15 – 12/31/19

#### **Cultural Arts Commission**

(D) Jennifer Cebry (formally Johnston), 12 Scudder Road 01/06/16 – 01/06/19

(I) Donna Monteleone, 4 Erin Lane 01/06/16 – 01/06/19

#### **Employee Medical Benefits Board, alternate**

(R) James Loring, 9 Cobblestone Lane 01/06/16 – 01/06/18

#### **Pension Committee**

(D) Mark Korotash, 18 Shepard Hill Road 01/06/16 – 01/06/18

(D) Thomas Murtha, 102 Boggs Hill Road 01/06/16 – 01/06/18

(R) Joseph DiCandido, 4 Whitewood Road 06/06/16 – 01/06/18



## CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management has the capacity to extend financial assistance for this Neglected Cemetery Account Grant Program Section 19a-308b of the Connecticut General Statutes, and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Newtown make an application to the State for this grant for the purpose of maintaining a cemetery.

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

That the filing of an application for State financial assistance by the Town of Newtown is hereby approved and that E. Patricia Llodra, First Selectman, is directed to execute and file such an application with the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management, to provide such additional information, to execute any amendments, decisions and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Newtown, Connecticut.

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E. Patricia Llodra, First Selectman

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William F.L. Rodgers, Selectman

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Herbert C. Rosenthal, Selectman

Certified a true copy of resolution duly adopted by the Town of Newtown, Connecticut at a meeting of its Board of Selectmen on January 4, 2016 and which has not been rescinded or modified in any way.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN  
FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT  
(Per Town Charter 6-100)**

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT LAND USE

PROJECT: NEGLECTED CEMETERY ACCOUNT GRANT PROGRAM

PROPOSED APPROPRIATION AMOUNT: \$ 2,000

PROPOSED FUNDING:  
 BONDING  
 GRANT \$ 2,000  
 OTHER  
\$ 2,000

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT ON OPERATING BUDGET (GENERAL FUND):**

List any financial impact your request will have on the Town's annual operating budget.  
 Attach spreadsheet(s) showing your calculation of the estimated impact.

EXPENDITURE CATEGORY:	**FOR BRACKETS USE NEGATIVE SIGN BEFORE NUMBER**	(POSITIVE IMPACT) / NEGATIVE IMPACT	Attachment #
SALARIES & BENEFITS		_____	_____
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		_____	_____
CONTRACTED SERVICES		_____	_____
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE		_____	_____
UTILITIES		_____	_____
OTHER		_____	_____
DEBT SERVICE (1st year)		_____	_____
<b>TOTAL IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES</b>		<u>\$ -</u>	_____

REVENUE CATEGORY:		POSITIVE IMPACT / (NEGATIVE IMPACT)	Attachment #
PROPERTY TAXES		_____	_____
CHARGES FOR SERVICES (FEES)		_____	_____
OTHER		_____	_____
<b>TOTAL IMPACT ON REVENUES</b>		<u>\$ -</u>	_____

**TOTAL FINANCIAL IMPACT ON OPERATING BUDGET** \$ -

**EQUIVALENT MILL RATE OF TOTAL IMPACT** 0.0000 mills

(using current year's information)

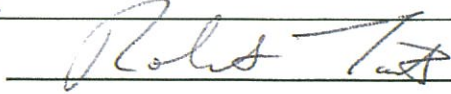
**COMMENTS:**

**NO IMPACT ON THE OPERATING BUDGET**

The Neglected Cemetery Account Grant Program was established under Section 19a-308b of the Connecticut General Statutes to provide municipalities with an opportunity to receive financial assistance to reclaim and maintain neglected cemeteries.

Section 19a-308 of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S) defines a "neglected cemetery", and subsection 19a-308(b) relieves municipalities, municipal employees, and agents and officers of municipalities from criminal or civil liability for undertaking the care and maintenance of a neglected cemetery.

Section 205 of Public Act 14-217 created the Neglected Cemetery Account and directed the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) to make grants to municipalities that wish provide upkeep to local, neglected cemeteries. Municipalities can apply for up to two-thousand dollars (\$2,000) per year to be used: to clear weeds, briars and bushes; to mow cemetery lawn areas; to repair fences and walls; to straighten memorial stones and to keep neglected cemeteries in an orderly and decent condition.

PREPARED BY: 

DATE: 12/23/15

TO: BOF, LC