

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
November 18, 2013

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of Newtown was held at the Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT, on Monday, November 18, 2013. The meeting was called to order by Town Clerk Debbie Aurelia Halstead at 7:16 pm. after which she read the warning of the meeting.

In attendance were First Selectman E. Patricia Llodra, Selectman William F.L. Rodgers, and Selectman James O. Gaston, Sr., approximately 26 members of the public and 4 member of the press.

Selectman Rodgers nominated First Selectman Patricia Llodra as moderator, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Gaston.

DISCUSSION: Park and Recreation Chairman Ed Marks explained that originally the \$438,000 was only part of the project of the revitalization plan of Dickinson Park and Park and Recreation Department prepared to move forward with this project but in stages and because of the generosity of people we are able to go ahead with the entire project.

Selectman Llodra recapped that there was a need to rebuild the playground because it was deteriorating and was not handicapped accessible so we needed to make it safe and available for all users in a fair way. Selectman Llodra stated It's a wonderful design and it is going to be a beautiful project and we are blessed that we have received so much goodness from people that we can execute it in one project instead of over two or three years.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Donald Leonard, 38 Jo Al Court, asked why the cost was so high. Director Amy Mangold reiterated the scope of the project to Mr. Leonard and that the Master Plan is also available on line if he wished to look at it closer. Mr. Leonard also inquired if the project is comparable to other Towns. Selectman Llodra stated that the bids and scope of the project was consistent with other Towns and our Town's needs.

DISCUSSION: Pending no further discussion the motion to approve the proposed Resolution was made by John Kortze and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Godin. \*See attached Resolution.

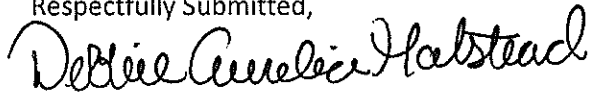
VOTE: UNANIMOUS.

First Selectman Llodra asked for a motion to waive the entire reading of the Resolution. Motioned by Selectman Rodgers, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Gaston.

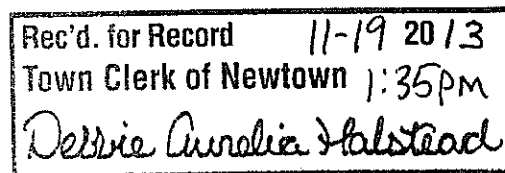
Hearing no other business John Kortze made a motion to adjourn the meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathy Hamilton. UNANIMOUS.

Meeting adjourned 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Debbie Aurelia Halstead,  
Town Clerk, CCTC, CMC



A RESOLUTION AMENDING A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$774,162 FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING PLAYGROUND AREA AND THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PLAYGROUND AREA AT DICKINSON PARK LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT AS AUTHORIZED IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2013-14 TO 2017-2018, INCLUSIVE) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$774,162 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID SPECIAL APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. Section 1 of the resolution entitled “Resolution Providing For A Special Appropriation In The Amount Of \$774,162 For The Demolition Of The Existing Playground Area And The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of A New Playground Area At Dickinson Park Located In The Town Of Newtown, Connecticut As Authorized In The Capital Improvement Program (2013-14 To 2017-2018, Inclusive) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$774,162 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Special Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, approved at a [Town Meeting held August 16, 2013], (the “Resolution”) is hereby amended by increasing the amount of the appropriation therein by \$91,950 from \$774,162 to \$866,112, thereby making said Section read as follows:

“Section 1. The sum of \$866,112 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 (the “Town”) for the demolition of the existing playground area and the planning, design, acquisition and construction of a new playground area at Dickinson Park, as authorized in the Capital Improvement Program (2013-14 to 2017-18, 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 and other third party sources of funds thereof.”

Section 2. The first sentence of Section 2 of the Resolution is hereby amended by increasing the amount of the bond authorization therein by \$91,950 from \$774,162 to \$866,112, thereby making said sentence read as follows:

“Section 2. To meet said appropriation, \$866,112 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”).”

Section 3. Section 5 of the Resolution shall be applicable to the appropriation and bond authorization added by this amendment, as of the date of the adoption of such amendment.