

April 14, 2014

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Newton was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mrs. Diglio, Deputy Mayor Elvidge, Mr. Flynn, Mayor Ricciardo, Thomas S. Russo, Jr., Town Manager, and Ursula Leo, Esq., Town Attorney. Mrs. Becker was excused.

Mayor Ricciardo made the following declaration that "in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this public meeting was given to the two newspapers of record and posted on the official bulletin board on December 31, 2013."

Mayor Ricciardo led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the Clerk called the roll and upon motion of Mrs. Diglio, seconded by Mr. Flynn and carried, the minutes of March 24, 2014 Regular meeting and March 24, 2014 Executive meeting were approved.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Russo read the following Proclamation and upon completion Mayor Ricciardo handed out an individual Proclamation to each team player when announced.

PROCLAMATION

2013-2014 Newton Varsity Girls' Basketball Team

WHEREAS, the Newton Girls' Basketball program provides the young women of our community an opportunity to participate in an organized sport during the school year, and

WHEREAS, under the direction of Head Coach Whitney Dugan and Assistant Coaches Lisa Casamassina and Chris Dugan, the Varsity Girls' Basketball Team takes pride in their 2013-2014 season with a NJAC Freedom Division League record of 13-1 and an overall season record of 24-4, and

WHEREAS, the Team's Captains, Seniors, Morgan Euston, Hannah Buckley, and Kayla Delnero led the team to earning the title of NJAC Freedom Division Co-Champions, North 1, Group 2 Sectional Champions and State Runner-up for Group 2; and

WHEREAS, the Team was further recognized by the New Jersey Herald and Mugs Media, naming them "Team of the Year" with the New Jersey Herald naming Coach Whitney Dugan "Coach of the Year" and Junior Tara Lynch as "Player of the Year" with Kayla Delnero being named to the "1st Team All Herald"; and

WHEREAS, several of the girls received recognition from the NJAC Freedom Division, giving "Honorable Mention All NJAC" to Morgan Euston and Addi Hillard, naming Hannah Buckley to the "2nd Team All NJAC" and naming Kayla Delnero and Tara Lynch to the "1st Team All NJAC";

NOW THEREFORE, We, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Newton hereby proclaim our congratulations to the 2013-2014 Newton Varsity Girls' Basketball Team for their outstanding talent and accomplishments as teammates and as individuals, and wish them continued success in the future.

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Morgan Euston	Hannah Buckley	Kayla Delnero	Kelsi Hosler	Tara Lynch
Addi Hillard	Anna Keimel	Kayla Chambliss	Ella Wermuth	July Schomp
Amanda Lawrence	Amanda Nitting	Jasmine Luciani		

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Ricciardo read the following statement:

“At this point in the meeting, the Town Council welcomes comments from any member of the public on any topic. To help facilitate an orderly meeting and to permit the opportunity for anyone who wishes to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to 5 minutes. If reading from a prepared statement, please provide a copy and email a copy to the Clerk’s Office after making your comments so it may be properly reflected in the minutes.”

Anwar Qarmout, 45 Woodside Avenue, addressed concerns with Resolution #69-2014 regarding the lifting of the water restrictions and was advised by Mayor Ricciardo that the water level at Morris Lake is currently at capacity and there is no longer a need for water restrictions.

Ed Caffrey, representative of Newton Board of Education, addressed the Council and highlighted some of the events happening at the Board Office. Mr. Caffrey advised that the Newton Board of Education members have recently all become certified and will be honored on May 13th at the Farmstead County Club. In addition, Mr. Caffrey disseminated the *Brave News* to the Town Council. Mr. Caffrey invited the Council to review the Newton Board of Education website and check out Dr. Greene’s blog. Mr. Caffrey also invited Council to attend Earth Day which will take place at Merriam Avenue School on Thursday, April 17th at 1:00 p.m.

Dr. Ken Greene, Superintendent, commended the Town on their 150th Anniversary celebrated held on Friday, April 11, 2014.

COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS

a.) Proclamation- Newton Fire Department

PROCLAMATION

NEWTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Newton Fire Department was established in December 1835, and is currently comprised of a dedicated group of volunteers who sacrifice their time to help those in need; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 under the direction of Chief Brian Fox, the Newton Fire Department responded to 266 calls and performed over 40 training drills, expending over 2,400 man hours while operating 3 Engines, 1 Ladder Truck, 1 Rescue, and 1 Brush Truck; and

WHEREAS, the loyalty of these dedicated volunteers has been evident throughout the years and continues to serve as a sense of comfort and security to the Town’s residents and businesses. The Newton Fire Department also works closely with the Newton First Aid & Rescue Squad, Newton Police Department, Newton Office of

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Emergency Management, Newton Water and Sewer Utility, and Newton Department of Public Works, as well as provides mutual aid to neighboring municipalities; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 through the efforts of the Newton Fire Museum, the Newton Fire Department welcomed back the 1948 Mack Fire Engine, after being retired and sold 59 years ago. The Museum continues to raise funds for the truck as well as for the renovations to the Fire Museum Building on Spring Street;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Newton, hereby proclaim our gratitude and appreciation to the **Newton Fire Department** for their endless hours of support, service and fundraising efforts for the Town of Newton and its residents and businesses and thank each and every one of their members for their dedication and service.

Mr. Russo wished everyone a Happy Passover and a Happy Easter and noted Town Hall will be closed on Friday, April 18, 2014 in observation of Good Friday.

Mr. Russo recognized National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week and thanked all the dispatchers for their hard work.

Mr. Russo noted the May 12th Council meeting will be cancelled due to the Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, May 13th.

ORDINANCES

Mayor Ricciardo directed the Clerk to read aloud the following Ordinance relative to final adoption.

ORDINANCE #2014-5

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$300,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 20" HDPE WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN ACROSS FOX HOLLOW LAKE IN AND BY THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$300,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance has heretofore been authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Newton, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey (the "Town"). For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a), there is hereby appropriated the supplemental amount of \$300,000, such sum being in addition to the \$900,000 appropriated therefor by bond ordinance #2013-19 of the Town, finally adopted June 10, 2013 (the "Original Bond Ordinance"). No down payment is required as the purpose authorized herein is deemed self-liquidating and the obligations authorized herein are deductible from the gross debt of the Town, as more fully explained in Section 6(e) of this bond ordinance.

Section 2. In order to finance the additional cost of the improvement or purpose, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$300,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement heretofore authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the construction of a 20" HDPE water transmission main across Fox Hollow Lake, as described in the Original Bond Ordinance, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is \$1,200,000, including the \$900,000 authorized by the Original Bond Ordinance and the \$300,000 bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized herein.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is \$1,200,000, including the \$900,000 appropriated by the Original Bond Ordinance and the \$300,000 appropriated herein.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the Governing Body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Town may lawfully undertake as a self-liquidating purpose of a municipal public utility. No part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 40 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$300,000, but that the net debt of the Town determined as provided in the Local Bond Law is not increased by this bond ordinance. The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$200,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement. Of this amount, \$120,000 was estimated for these items of expense in the Original Bond Ordinance and an additional \$80,000 is estimated therefor herein.

(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Town solely for purposes described in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h). The obligations authorized herein are to be issued for a purpose that is deemed to be self-liquidating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) and are deductible from gross debt pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(c).

Section 7. The Town hereby makes the following covenants and declarations with respect to obligations determined to be issued by the Chief Financial Officer on a tax-exempt basis. The Town hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the obligations, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the obligations. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Town to deem the obligations authorized herein as bank qualified for the purposes of Section 265 of the Code, when appropriate. The Town hereby declares the intent of the Town to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations § 1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The Chief Financial Officer of the Town is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Town and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Town and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Town fails to comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Mayor Ricciardo opened the hearing to the public.

There being no one from the public to be heard, upon motion of Deputy Mayor Elvidge, seconded by Mrs. Diglio and unanimously carried, the hearing was closed.

The aforementioned **ORDINANCE** was offered by Deputy Mayor Elvidge, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mrs. Diglio and roll call resulted as follows:

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Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Becker	Absent
Deputy Mayor Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Flynn	Yes
Mayor Ricciardo	Yes		

This Ordinance will take effect after publication and adoption according to law.

The Clerk will advertise the above Ordinance according to law.

Mayor Ricciardo directed the Clerk to read aloud the following Ordinance relative to final adoption.

ORDINANCE #2014-6

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,912,000 THEREFOR, INCLUDING A \$165,000 NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,473,275 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation & Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) Improvement of Diller Avenue, Stuart Street and Townsend Street including reconstruction and/or resurfacing, curbing and sidewalk work	\$155,000	\$147,250	20 years
b) Improvement of Madison Street including reconstruction and/or resurfacing, curbing and sidewalk work (supplements Section 3(f) of bond ordinance #2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13)	\$50,000 (in addition to the \$165,000 appropriated by Section 3(f) of bond ordinance	\$47,500 (in addition to the \$16,750 bonds and notes authorized by Section 3(f)	20 years

	#2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13)	of bond ordinance #2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13)	
c) Improvement of Spring Street and adjacent areas including reconstruction and/or resurfacing, curbing and sidewalk work	\$285,000 (including a \$165,000 Department of Transportation grant expected to be received)	\$105,750	20 years
d) Acquisition and installation of lighting and crosswalk upgrades	\$25,000	\$23,750	15 years
e) Renovation of fire museum including roofing and other improvements (supplements Section 3(d) of bond ordinance #2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13 and Section 3(f) of bond ordinance #2012-13 finally adopted 4/9/12)	\$35,000 (in addition to the \$70,000 appropriated by Section 3(d) of bond ordinance #2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13 and the \$207,000 appropriated by Section 3(f) of bond ordinance #2012-13 finally adopted 4/9/12)	\$33,250 (in addition to the \$66,500 bonds and notes authorized by Section 3(d) of bond ordinance #2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13 and the \$196,650 bonds and notes authorized by Section 3(f) of	20 years

			bond ordinance #2012-13 finally adopted 4/9/12)	
f) Acquisition of drainage easements in Fairview, Liberty and Thompson areas	\$50,000	\$47,500		40 years
g) Acquisition of front end loader	\$160,000	\$152,000		5 years
h) Replacement of control panel at Sussex Street retention basin for Sussex Pump Station	\$10,000	\$9,500		7 years
i) Acquisition of replacement dump truck bodies	\$30,000	\$28,500		15 years
j) Acquisition of firefighting equipment including turnout gear and personal air masks and packs	\$166,000 (including \$12,525 reserved in prior years)	\$145,175		5 years
k) Acquisition of a new fire engine with equipment	\$500,000 (including \$45,600 reserved in prior years)	\$429,400		10 years
l) Improvement of municipal buildings including renovations, upgrades, flooring, furniture and equipment	\$75,000	\$71,250		20 years
m) Recreation park improvements consisting of acquisition and installation of fencing at Pine Street playground, a shed and lighting at Memory Park and field improvements, a backstop, foul poles and	\$80,000	\$76,000		15 years

warning track at the Babe Ruth Field				
n) Acquisition of four-wheel drive vehicle for detective bureau	\$30,000	\$28,500	5 years	
o) CENCOM (central communication) upgrades (supplements Section 3(l) of bond ordinance 2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13)	\$18,000 (in addition to the \$200,000 appropriated by Section 3(l) of bond ordinance #2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13)	\$17,100 (in addition to the \$190,000 bonds and notes authorized by Section 3(l) of bond ordinance #2013-11 finally adopted 4/22/13)	7 years	
p) Acquisition of E-ticket scanner equipment and software for police and parking enforcement and court	\$20,000	\$19,000	5 years	
q) Acquisition and installation of user activated lighted pedestrian crosswalk signals	\$40,000	\$38,000	15 years	
r) Acquisition and installation of radio antenna including receiver/transmitter at police headquarters	\$10,000	\$9,500	7 years	
s) Acquisition of logger recording device for Police Department	\$23,000	\$21,850	7 years	
t) Acquisition of ambulance with equipment	<u>\$150,000</u> (including	<u>\$22,500</u>	5 years	

	\$120,000 reserved in prior years)		
TOTALS:	<u>\$1,912,000</u>	<u>\$1,473,275</u>	

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Newton, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey (the "Town") as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$1,912,000, including a \$165,000 New Jersey Department of Transportation grant expected to be received and further including the aggregate sum of \$95,600 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$1,473,275 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose. All improvements or purposes include all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the Governing Body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the Town may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 12.91 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$1,473,275, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$382,400 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

Section 7. The Town hereby makes the following covenants and declarations with respect to obligations determined to be issued by the Chief Financial Officer on a tax-exempt basis. The Town hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the obligations, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the obligations. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Town to deem the obligations authorized herein as bank qualified for the purposes of Section 265 of the Code, when appropriate. The Town hereby declares the intent of the Town to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations § 1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The Chief Financial Officer of the Town is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Town and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Town and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Town fails to

comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Mayor Ricciardo opened the hearing to the public.

There being no one from the public to be heard, upon motion of Mr. Flynn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Elvidge and unanimously carried, the hearing was closed.

The aforementioned **ORDINANCE** was offered by Deputy Mayor Elvidge, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Flynn and roll call resulted as follows:

Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Becker	Absent
Deputy Mayor Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Flynn	Yes
Mayor Ricciardo	Yes		

This Ordinance will take effect after publication and adoption according to law. The Clerk will advertise the above Ordinance according to law.

Mayor Ricciardo directed the Clerk to read aloud the following Ordinance relative to introduction of same.

ORDINANCE #2014-7

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBERED 2008-6 OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY FINALLY ADOPTED NOVEMBER 10, 2008 IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE COSTS FOR ITEMS OF EXPENSE LISTED IN AND PERMITTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20

The following **ORDINANCE** was offered by Mrs. Diglio, who moved its introduction, seconded by Mayor Ricciardo and roll call resulted as follows:

Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Becker	Absent
Deputy Mayor Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Flynn	Yes
Mayor Ricciardo	Yes		

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the above Ordinance be introduced for the first reading, with hearing on same to be held on April 28, 2014.

Mayor Ricciardo directed the Clerk to read aloud the following Ordinance relative to introduction of same.

ORDINANCE #2014-8

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**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY,
ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN
CONNECTION THEREWITH**

The following **ORDINANCE** was offered by Deputy Mayor Elvidge, who moved its introduction, seconded by Mr. Flynn and roll call resulted as follows:

Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Becker	Absent
Deputy Mayor Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Flynn	Yes
Mayor Ricciardo	Yes		

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the above Ordinance be introduced for the first reading, with hearing on same to be held on May 28, 2014.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to be discussed.

HEARING ON THE INTRODUCED 2014 BUDGET

a.) 2014 Municipal and Water & Sewer Utility Introduced Budget Public

At this time, Mayor Ricciardo opened the hearing to the public on the Municipal Budget.

There being no one from the public to be heard, upon motion of Mr. Flynn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Elvidge and carried the hearing was closed.

RESOLUTION

Ms. Babcock, CFO, outlined the minor change in the budget which was recommended by the State Budget Examiner. Ms. Babcock advised that this change did require a Resolution to be adopted and submitted.

RESOLUTION #62-2014

Amendment to the 2014 Budget

WHEREAS, the Local Municipal Budget for the Year 2014 was introduced on the 10th day of March, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said Budget is to be held on April 14, 2014 as advertised; and

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said introduced Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, County of Sussex, that the following amendments to the introduced Budget of 2014 be authorized:

2014 CURRENT FUND APPROPRIATIONS	FCOA	FROM	TO
(A) Operations - Within "Caps"			
Spring Street Merchants Group	36-610-2	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Total Operations Within "CAPS"	34-199	\$7,194,862. 50	\$7,197,861. 50

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		\$4,179,307.	\$4,179,307.
Detail: Salaries and Wages	34-201-1	50	50
		\$3,015,555.	\$3,018,555.
Detail: Other Expenses	34-201-2	00	00
(H-1) Total General Approp. for Munic. Purposes within "CAPS"	34-299	\$8,232,586.	\$8,235,586.
(A) Operations - Excluded From "Caps"			
Spring Street Merchants Group	36-610-2	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
Total Other Operations - Excluded from Caps	34-300	\$120,200.00	\$117,200.00
		\$1,382,361.	\$1,379,361.
Total Operations - Excluded from "Caps"	34-305	33	33
Detail:			
Salaries and Wages	34-305-1	\$911,876.00	\$911,876.00
Other Expenses	34-305-2	\$470,485.33	\$467,485.33
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from "CAPS"	34-309	\$3,412,533.	\$3,409,533.
		50	50
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations - Items (H-1) and (O)		\$11,645,120	\$11,645,120
	34-400	.00	.00
		\$12,075,900	\$12,075,900
9. Total General Appropriations	34-499	.00	.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that two certified copies of this Resolution be filed forthwith in the office of the Director of Local Government Services for certification of the Local Municipal Budget so amended; and

A motion was made by Mr. Flynn, to approve Resolution 62-2014, seconded by Mrs. Diglio and roll call resulted as follows:

Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Becker	Absent
Deputy Mayor Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Flynn	Yes
Mayor Ricciardo	Yes		

At this time, Mr. Russo made a PowerPoint presentation on the 2014 Municipal and Water & Sewer Utility Amended Budget.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

“As we look forward to the adoption of the 2014 Newton municipal budget, we are guided by focusing on three (3) core areas.

The first is a focus on improving **cost effectiveness** through increased staff productivity with a targeted use of part-time personnel, volunteers, and technology. By assessing and reducing the cost of our services, identifying and correcting inefficiencies and replacing them with higher impact alternatives, we can become an even more successful organization.

The second is a focus on **protecting core services**. We must always be cognizant of maintaining our exceptional reputation for delivering quality municipal services with an emphasis on doing things the right way, at the right time, and for the right reasons. It is our goal to sustain service levels at the 2013 levels, if possible, and demonstrate positive results to our customers.

Finally, we are guided by a focus on **revenue enhancement**. This allows us to minimize tax increases on the overall community while forcing us to be more deliberate with user fees and various shared services strategies. Newton has a proven track record of working with other entities to provide cost effective solutions for problems and those relationships must and will continue.

Ultimately, all three (3) core principles are inexorably tied to the prevailing ideology of enhancing mission achievement – making the Newton municipal organization the best it can be.

FISCAL FACTS

Your Tax Dollars

The property tax is divided among the County of Sussex, County Library, County Health Department, County Open Space, Newton Board of Education and the Town of Newton. The chart below illustrates the percentage that each of the jurisdictions received in 2013 from the average taxpayer in the Town.

Newton Board of Education	51.69%	\$1.756
Town of Newton	33.88%	\$1.151
County of Sussex	13.07%	\$0.444
County Library	.88%	\$0.030
County Open Space	.09%	\$0.003
County Health Department	.39%	\$0.013
Total	100.00%	\$3.397 per \$100 of assessed value

APPROPRIATIONS 2013 VS. 2014

Newton's 2014 Municipal Budget and Capital Improvement Program totals **\$12,075,900**. The Municipal Government is a service-based organization. Approximately **65%** of the municipal budget provides funding for the salaries and benefits of **63 full-time and 57 part-time employees (120)**. The chart below presents a summary of how appropriations are divided within the budget and, in turn, impact local taxes.

COMPARISON OF APPROPRIATION BUDGETED AMOUNTS FOR 2013 AND 2014

	<u>2013 Final Budget</u>		<u>2014 Proposed Budget</u>	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Salaries	4,864,737	41.66	5,091,183	42.16
Health/Dental/Vision/Work Comp.	1,657,706	14.20	1,686,791	13.97
Pensions	824,128	7.06	856,381	7.09
FICA/SUI	224,997	1.92	235,227	1.95
Retirement/LOSAP/Accum.				
Absence	48,600	.42	62,500	.52
Subtotal	7,620,168	65.26	7,932,082	65.69
General Operating Expenses	1,596,354	13.67	1,634,283	13.53
Debt/Capital/Deferred Charges	1,950,645	16.71	2,030,172	16.81
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	394,526	3.38	430,780	3.57
Grants	114,632	.98	48,583	.40
Total	11,676,325	100.00	12,075,900	100.00

TOP 10 BUDGET APPROPRIATION INCREASES BY DOLLAR AMOUNT

APPROPRIATION	2013 BUDGET	2014 BUDGET	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
POLICE S&W (INCLUDES DISPATCH)	3,372,584	3,531,807	159,223	5%
RESERVE – TAX APPEALS	0	50,000	50,000	100%

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GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE	1,496,831	1,541,771	44,940	3%
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	394,526	430,780	36,254	9%
DEBT SERVICE – OTHER EXPENSES	1,819,715	1,847,572	27,857	1.5%
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS)	269,834	287,751	17,917	7%
CELEBRATION PUBLIC EVENTS (1)	15,000	32,500	17,500	117%
SNOW S&W (2)	55,000	72,000	17,000	31%
SOCIAL SECURITY	211,786	228,133	16,347	8%
CLERK S&W	96,420	112,655	16,235	17%

(1) \$15,000 FOR NEWTON'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY & \$2,500 FOR EXPANDED FIREWORKS DISPLAY

(2) \$17,000 DUE TO EXTREME WINTER 2014

REVENUE HISTORY

The chart below tracks revenues over the course of the last five (5) years. As you can see, State Aid has continued to decrease or stay flat while the taxpayers of Newton have had to pick up where the State has left off. Local fees continue to fluctuate along with the ability of the Town to create a consistent level of fund balance. Here is a comparison of revenues from the period of 2010 – 2014:

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
State Aid	1,030,186	1,025,916	1,025,916	1,025,916	1,025,916
Local Fees, Fines, Interest	653,073	647,715	628,472	649,545	598,368
Fund Balance (Surplus)	803,000	550,000	641,000	776,000	841,461
Delinquent Taxes	340,000	390,000	440,000	330,000	360,000
Municipal Taxes	7,384,386	7,860,281	7,860,280	7,911,487	8,189,331
Interlocal Agreements	296,889	307,429	404,488	400,766	402,780
Grants	67,286	34,904	45,346	38,317	47,083
Special Items of Revenue	189,430	87,115	376,988	467,969	610,961
Total	\$10,764,250	\$10,903,360	\$11,422,490	\$11,600,000	\$12,075,900

RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES

The Reserve for Uncollected Taxes has two components. One portion of the Reserve supports municipal budget taxes. The second component covers taxes collected and remitted to the Board of Education and the County of Sussex. The Reserve for Uncollected Taxes exists as a buffer to address the shortfall between property taxes required to support local governments and the actual rate of tax collection.

<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
\$394,236	\$495,113	\$423,293	\$497,646	\$478,390	\$394,526	\$430,780

HEALTH CARE

Though the cost of providing health insurance continues to increase, the Town has, over a period of years, implemented proactive policies requiring employees to share in health insurance premium costs for dependent coverage. The Town, as of January 1, 2010, became a member in the North Jersey Municipal Employee Benefits Fund (NJMEBF). This has allowed us to better manage our health insurance premium costs in the long run while maintaining quality healthcare coverage for our employees and retirees. The Town implemented the 1.5% of salary payment towards health coverage

for those employees not covered under an existing bargaining agreement as per State law. Additionally, the Town implemented the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, which created a sliding scale of contributions for health insurance for government employees throughout the State of New Jersey.

TOTAL	LESS:		
HEALTHCARE COSTS	EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	TOWN SHARE	
\$ 2,032,856	\$ 234,029	\$ 1,798,827	MED/DENTAL/VISION/EAP
16,093		16,093	INSURANCE WAIVERS
\$ 2,048,949	\$ 234,029	\$ 1,814,920	Subtotal
29,000		29,000	MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT
\$ 2,077,949	\$ 234,029	\$ 1,843,920	TOTAL INSURANCE

PERS

PERS Costs 2009 - 2014

V#695 Public Employee Retirement System

Budget account charged #1098296

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Normal	76,812	85,020	100,203	93,993	79,139	80,524
Accrued Liability	88,842	109,240	159,668	187,987	189,223	218,138
Pension bill not itemized						
Total regular pension contributions	165,654	194,260	259,871	281,980	268,362	298,662
Non-contributory Group Insurance	20,591	26,939	19,737	17,966	15,972	4,554
Total Pension and NCGI	186,245	221,199	279,608	299,946	284,334	303,216

PFRS

PFRS Costs 2009 - 2014

V#520 Police & Fire Retirement System

Budget account charged #1098297

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Normal		<u>275,992</u>	<u>307,786</u>	<u>251,892</u>	<u>227,872</u>	<u>228,345</u>
Accrued Liability		<u>196,626</u>	<u>246,795</u>	<u>283,485</u>	<u>301,557</u>	<u>315,905</u>
Pension bill not itemized		<u>443,380</u>				
Total regular pension contributions		<u>443,380</u>	<u>472,618</u>	<u>554,581</u>	<u>535,377</u>	<u>529,429</u>
Non-contributory Group Insurance		<u>24,028</u>	<u>24,123</u>	<u>19,610</u>	<u>21,865</u>	<u>19,380</u>

Total Pension and NCGI 443,380 496,646 578,704 554,987 551,294 563,630
TAX RATE FOR 2014

With State Aid and grant funding continuing to fluctuate, coupled with the reality of a tax base that is over 35% exempt, it is an ever increasing challenge to maintain appropriate service levels and sound fiscal policies while mitigating any significant municipal tax increases.

Furthermore, with the hybrid reassessment of all properties being recently concluded, the new Net Taxable Valuation (NVT) for the Town of Newton is \$603,870,714, a reduction of \$83,219,696. The new average residential property assessment has gone down from the 2013 level of \$221,256 to the new 2014 level of **\$188,765**.

Therefore, factoring in these new calculations and the budget and tax levy as proposed, **the municipal taxes on an average assessed home in 2013 of \$2,548 will go up to \$2,560 – an increase of \$1 a month or about 3 ½ cents a day.**

SUSSEX COUNTY COMPARISON

2014 Municipal Tax Increases

MUNICIPALITY	AVERAGE ASSESSED HOME	YEARLY DOLLAR INCREASE ON AVERAGE ASSESSED HOME
Andover Twp.	\$241,000	\$96.00
Hopatcong Boro	\$214,190	\$48.00
Sparta Twp.	\$293,400	\$34.47
Byram Twp.	\$253,458	\$20.69
Newton Town	\$188,765	\$12.00

TAX RATE HISTORY – 2006 thru 2014

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Subtotal General Revenues	3,341,316	3,517,405	3,452,446	3,484,904	3,379,864	3,058,706	3,606,835	3,688,513	3,886,569
Amt to be Raised Taxes - Local	4,903,684	5,412,595	6,343,564	6,857,564	7,384,386	7,860,281	7,860,280	7,911,487	8,189,331
Budget as Introduced	8,245,000	8,930,000	9,796,010	10,342,468	10,764,250	10,918,987	11,467,115	11,600,000	12,075,900
Local TAX Increase over prior yr	572,388	508,911	930,969	514,000	526,822	475,895	-1	51,207	277,844
Local TAX POINT increase over P/Yr	14	12	Reval	7.49	6.79	Reassess	0.96	1.341	Reassess
Local tax rate	1.278	1.395	0.7602	0.8352	0.9031	1.1285	1.1380	1.1514	1.3561
Assessed valuation / 10,000	38,367	38,802	83,444	82,110	81,768	69,654	69,069	68,709	60,387
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Net Valuation Taxable	383,665,736	388,020,571	834,437,330	821,099,954	817,684,380	696,539,041	690,686,490	687,090,410	603,870,714
Tax Point	38,367	38,802	83,444	82,110	81,768	69,654	69,069	68,709	60,387

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Municipal Tax Rate	1.2781	1.3949	0.7602	0.8352	0.9031	1.1285	1.1380	1.1514	1.3561
Amount to be Raised by									
Taxes	4,903,684	5,412,595	6,343,564	6,857,564	7,384,386	7,860,281	7,860,280	7,911,487	8,189,331
Class 2 Residential Total									
Taxable	247,236,500	249,313,600	533,542,800	529,966,300	529,836,200	436,837,600	435,739,900	433,661,600	370,357,700
Number of Residential									
Parcels	1,932	1,975	1,970	1,970	1,970	1,965	1,962	1,960	1,962
Average Assessed Home	127,969	126,235	270,834	269,018	268,952	222,309	222,090	221,256	188,765
Munic Taxes on Avg Assess Home	1,636	1,761	2,059	2,247	2,429	2,509	2,527	2,548	2,560
Increase in taxes over									
p/yr	187	125	298	188	182	80	19	20	12
Weekly increase	3.59	2.41	5.73	3.61	3.50	1.54	0.36	0.39	.24
Daily increase	0.512	0.34	0.82	0.515	0.499	0.219	0.051	0.055	.034

Municipal Tax Increase on Average Assessed Residential Property

- 2003 - \$67
- 2004 - \$250
- 2005 - \$247
- 2006 - \$187
- 2007 - \$125
- 2008 - \$298
- 2009 - \$188
- 2010 - \$182
- 2011 - \$80
- 2012 - \$19
- 2013 - \$20
- 2014 - \$12

FUND BALANCE

The maintenance of a surplus balance, or fund balance, provides a safeguard for emergencies and is used to help offset the costs to our citizens for support of the Municipal Budget. The following table shows the amounts of surplus available and used in past years.

Total Year January 1	Surplus Available	Amt. Used to Support Budget	Balance
1995	910,886	650,000	260,886
1996	666,558	500,000	166,558
1997	458,525	350,000	108,525
1998	583,487	495,000	88,487
1999	584,140	450,000	134,140
2000	595,320	475,000	120,320
2001	758,919	670,000	195,124
2002	750,000	670,000	78,182
2003	774,407	670,000	104,407
2004	755,416	626,000	129,416
2005	726,654	580,000	146,654
2006	909,066	700,000	209,066
2007	1,071,959	721,000	350,959
2008	1,256,151	863,571	392,580
2009	920,307	607,000	313,307
2010	1,112,645	803,000	309,645
2011	859,757	550,000	309,757
2012	979,774	641,000	338,774
2013	1,542,318	776,000	766,318
2014	1,563,752	841,461	722,291

REVENUE COMPARISON – TOWN

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Fund Balance	607,000	803,000	550,000	641,000	776,000	841,461
Energy Receipts Tax	1,031,008	918,311	938,154	973,105	993,278	998,389
Supp ERT						
CMPTRA	201,430	99,066	79,223	44,272	24,099	18,988
MPTA						
Legis Init Mun Block Grant						
GSTrust	14,149	12,809	8,539	8,539	8,539	8,539
Homeland Security						
Subtotal State Aid	1,246,587	1,030,186	1,025,916	1,025,916	1,025,916	1,025,916
Public & Private	102,157	67,286	34,904	45,346	38,317	47,083
All Other Misc	1,063,160	1,139,392	1,042,259	1,409,948	1,518,280	1,612,109
Del Taxes	466,000	340,000	390,000	440,000	330,000	360,000
Subtotal General Revenues	3,484,904	3,379,864	3,058,706	3,562,210	3,616,581	3,886,569
Local Taxes	6,857,564	7,384,386	7,860,281	7,860,280	7,911,487	8,189,331
Total Budget Revenues	10,342,468	10,764,250	10,903,360	11,422,490	11,600,000	12,075,900
State Aid					1,025,916	1,025,916
Total budget					11,600,000	12,075,900
% State Aid to Total Budget					8.84%	8.50%
Fund Balance 1/1	920,307	1,112,645	859,757	979,774	1,542,318	1,563,752
Fund balance Anticipated	607,000	803,000	550,000	641,000	776,000	841,461
F/Balance after Budget Intro	313,307	309,645	309,757	338,774	766,318	722,291
Statutory excess to F/Bal	799,338	550,112	670,017	1,203,544	797,434	
Fund Balance 12/31	1,112,645	859,757	979,774	1,542,318	1,563,752	
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CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR 2014

Dept.	Project	Cost	Reserved To Date	Town CIF	Other Funds	Debt Authorized
CIF	Capital Improvement Fund	\$80,000.00		\$80,000.00		
DPW/Eng.	Road Improvements/Resurfacing/Curbing/Sidewalks*	\$155,000.00				\$155,000.00
DPW/Eng.	Road Improvements/Resurfacing/Curbing/Sidewalks**	\$50,000.00				\$50,000.00
DPW/Eng.	Road Improvements/Resurfacing/Curbing/Sidewalks***	\$285,000.00			\$165,000.00	\$120,000.00
DPW/Eng.	Lighting for Alleyways and Crosswalk Upgrades	\$25,000.00				\$25,000.00
DPW/Eng.	Acquisition of Signs	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		
DPW/Eng.	Fire Museum	\$35,000.00				\$35,000.00
DPW/Eng.	Drainage Easements	\$50,000.00				\$50,000.00
DPW	Loader	\$160,000.00				\$160,000.00
DPW	Replace Control Panel - Sussex Pump Station	\$10,000.00				\$10,000.00
DPW	Replace Truck 7 & 10 Dump Bodies	\$30,000.00				\$30,000.00
DPW	Stormwater Pipes and Basins	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		
DPW	Flooring for Firehouse 1	\$15,500.00				\$15,500.00
Fire	Replace Turnout Gear - 30 sets	\$150,000.00	\$12,525.00			\$137,475.00
Fire	Personal Air Masks/Packs	\$16,000.00				\$16,000.00
Fire	Replacement of E-803 (1999) Engine	\$500,000.00	\$45,600.00			\$454,400.00
Manager	Courtroom Improvements/Upgrades/Furniture/Equipment	\$30,000.00				\$30,000.00
Manager	Municipal Buildings Impr./Upgr./Renov./Furn./Equip.	\$20,000.00				\$20,000.00
Parks/Rec.	Fencing/Shed	\$10,000.00				\$10,000.00
Parks/Rec.	Memory Park Lighting Improvements - LL Field/Football Field	\$10,000.00				\$10,000.00
Parks/Rec.	Pool Filter Replacement	\$135,000.00				\$135,000.00
Parks/Rec.	Replace Babe Ruth Field/Backstop/Foul Poles/Add Warning Track	\$60,000.00				\$60,000.00
Parks/Rec.	Four AED's & Weatherproof Cabinets	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00		
Police	Unmarked 4WD Vehicle for Detective Bureau	\$30,000.00				\$30,000.00
Police	CENCOM and Computer Equipment	\$18,000.00				\$18,000.00
Police	E-Ticket Scanners/Equipment	\$20,000.00				\$20,000.00
Police	Lighted Pedestrian Signs Solar Powered	\$40,000.00			\$30,000.00	\$10,000.00
Police	New Radio Antenna	\$10,000.00				\$10,000.00
Police	Logger	\$23,000.00				\$23,000.00
Rescue	Acquisition of Ambulance	\$150,000.00	\$120,000.00			\$30,000.00
	Totals	\$2,137,500.00	\$178,125.00	\$100,000.00	\$195,000.00	\$1,664,375.00

*Diller Avenue, Stuart Street, Townsend Street
 **Madison Street
 ***Spring Street

WATER AND SEWER BUDGET

The Town maintains independent financial records for the Water and Sewer fund. Both functions are supported by customer billings and do not require property tax revenues to meet financial obligations.

The Water and Sewer budget is proposed at \$4,013,350 for the 2014 year. The Water and Sewer budget provides service to 2,633 accounts. The current rate structure continues to allow the Town to reserve funds for future capital upgrades and the retirement of existing debt. Most importantly, it allows the Town to intelligently use a fiscally conservative approach to budgeting as it relates to necessary infrastructure improvements.

REVENUE COMPARISON – W/S

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Fund Balance	184,261	144,000	173,945	371,588	438,274	353,424
Water & Sewer Rents	3,853,000	3,802,600	3,690,270	3,596,680	3,709,920	3,566,198
Additional Rents						
Miscellaneous	80,000	68,400	60,785	48,660	44,470	47,200
W/S Capital Fund Balance						50,000
W/S Reserve for Debt Svc	42,739			6,267	13,668	
W/S Interest and Costs on Assessments					16,918	16,278
W/S Insurance Emerg. Funding				37,805		
W/S Reserves for Cap Impr.						
Total W/S Utility Revenues	4,160,000	4,015,000	3,925,000	4,061,000	4,223,250	4,033,100
Fund Balance 1/1	395,113	436,088	460,010	790,635	931,674	780,217
Fund balance Anticipated	184,261	144,000	173,945	371,588	438,274	353,424
F/Balance after Budget Intro	210,852	292,088	286,065	419,047	493,400	426,793
Statutory excess to F/Bal	225,236	167,922	504,570	512,627	286,817	
Fund Balance 12/31	436,088	460,010	790,635	931,674	780,217	

CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR 2014 WATER AND SEWER

Dept.	Project	Cost	Reserved To Date	W/S CIF	Debt Authorized
W/S	Capital Improvement Fund	\$85,000.00		\$85,000.00	
W/S	Capital Outlay	\$55,000.00		\$55,000.00	
W/S	Acquisition of Meters/Hydrants	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00	
W/S	WFP Filter Upgrades	\$100,000.00		\$100,000.00	
W/S	STP Replacement of Building Roofs	\$250,000.00		\$250,000.00	
W/S	Fox Hollow Repairs	\$270,000.00			\$270,000.00
W/S	Sewer Rehab Work	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00	
W/S	Valve Replacement	\$25,000.00		\$25,000.00	
W/S	Forestry Plan	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00	
W/S	Morris Lake Dam Improvements	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00	
W/S	STP Replace Clarifier Dr & Tank Covers	\$281,851.00	\$281,851.00		
W/S	Pump Station Improvements	\$40,000.00		\$40,000.00	
	Totals	\$1,141,851.00	\$281,851.00	\$590,000.00	\$270,000.00

LONG-TERM STRATEGIES

GENERAL GOALS

- Core Competencies/Services
- Public/Private Partnerships
- Infrastructure Improvements
- Shared Services

SPECIFIC GOALS

- SID Implementation
- Marketing Program
- Economic Development/Redevelopment
- Capital Projects for Town and W/S
- Quality of Life Issues – Prop. Maintenance

CONCLUSION

RENEWED COMMITMENT TO EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, AND LIMITED GOVERNMENT

Now that we have concluded the 2014 budget process, I want to thank all department heads and staff for their invaluable assistance in putting together these important documents. In closing, it is my belief that the budget appropriations and revenue projections, as contained in the 2014 budget for Newton, will enable the Town to meet the public's demand and need for critical services. Furthermore, the budget is structured as a fiscally responsible document to ensure that the financial well-being of our municipal government is preserved.

This 2014 budget as presented will enable the municipal organization to continue mission achievement - achieving the excellence in governance expected by our customers: the taxpayers, businesses, and residents of Newton.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to serve the good people of Newton.

Thomas S. Russo, Jr.
Town Manager

Mayor Ricciardo opened the hearing to the public on the 2014 Municipal Budget and Water & Sewer Budget.

There being no one from the public to be heard, upon motion of Mr. Flynn, seconded by Mrs. Diglio and carried, the hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Flynn to **ADOPT THE 2014 AMENDED TOWN OF NEWTON MUNICIPAL AND WATER AND SEWER UTILITY BUDGET**, seconded by Deputy Mayor Elvidge and roll call resulted as follows:

Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Becker	Absent
Deputy Mayor Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Flynn	Yes
	Mayor Ricciardo	Yes	

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Ricciardo read the following statement:

"All items listed with an asterisk () are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Town Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda."*

Mr. Russo reviewed the consent agenda with the Town Council.

RESOLUTION #63-2014*

CONCUR WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD IN ALLOCATING WATER AND SEWER GALLONAGE FOR MARTORANA ENTERPRISES FOR GRANDE VILLAGIO

WHEREAS, at a special meeting of the Newton Utility Advisory Board conducted on March 25, 2014, Mr. Greg Martorana, a principal of Martorana Enterprises, LLC., and Anthony Fiorello, Esq., appeared before the Board to request an allocation of water and sewer gallonage for Grande Villagio, 104 Sparta Avenue, Block 1201, Lots 5 & 5.03, for the purpose of 60 residential units and clubhouse usage for a total of .01161 MGD at a total hookup fee of \$588,990.00; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Advisory Board reviewed the estimates and recommend to the Governing Body an additional .01161 MGD of water and sewer gallonage be approved contingent upon the following:

- 1) Watermain looping to be completed prior to the commencement of Phase II; and
- 2) Payment of \$588,990.00 for water and sewer hook-up fees for the 60 residential units and club house; and
- 3) If watering of any common areas is required by the applicant, then a meter pit will need to be installed along with the applicable hook-up fees to be paid; and
- 4) Compliance with all recommendations and conditions arising from the Fire Official's review and comments; and
- 5) Satisfaction of all Planning Board conditions and approvals.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body hereby concurs with the recommendation of the Utility Advisory Board and conditionally approves the allocation of .01161 MGD for the Grande Villagio project shown as Block 1201, Lots 5 & 5.03 on the Tax Map of the Town of Newton, provided the applicant satisfies all of the above-stated conditions of the Utility Advisory Board, Fire Official, and Planning Board, including, but not limited to, the payment of all necessary fees and the execution of a developer's agreement with the Town of Newton.

RESOLUTION #64-2014*

SUPPORT THE USE OF A "NO PASSING ZONE" ON ROUTE 94 IN THE TOWN OF NEWTON

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) recently completed a traffic investigation on Route 94 in the Town of Newton; and

WHEREAS, NJDOT's investigation revealed the current centerline pavement marking on Route 94 meets and conforms to current design standards; and

WHEREAS NJDOT will update existing records to reflect current No Passing Zone conditions along (US) (NJ) Route 94;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, of the County of Sussex, in the State of New Jersey, that we hereby support the use of a "No Passing Zone" on Route 94 in the Town of Newton as recommended by the NJDOT; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to NJDOT as requested.

RESOLUTION #65-2014*

INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE IN THE 2014 TOWN OF NEWTON BUDGET PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:4-87 (C. 159, PL 1948)

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES**

April 14, 2014

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, I hereby certify that the following resolution has been duly adopted by the governing body of: Town of Newton;

I hereby certify the Town of Newton has realized or is in receipt of written notification of the state or federal monies cited in the following resolution, which meets all statutory requirements and will be included in the 2014 municipal budget.

Resolution Number: 65-2014

Date of Adoption: April 14, 2014

Revenue Title: Pub & Priv Revenue Offset w/Approp.-Distracted Driving Grant
Amount: \$5,000.00

Appropriation Title: Pub & Priv Program Offset by revenue-Distracted Driving
Amount: \$5,000.00

Local Match – Source: None
Amount: \$.00

Approval is hereby given to the cited resolution adopted by the governing body pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-87.

RESOLUTION #66-2014*

APPROVE PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN A SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, the Town of Newton wishes to apply for funding for a project under the New Jersey Safe and Secure Communities Program (Grant # P-6102-14); and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Newton has reviewed the application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Town of Newton for the purpose described in said application;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that:

- 1) As a matter of public policy, the Town of Newton wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety; and
- 2) The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant; and
- 3) The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the application for said funds; and
- 4) The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Manager is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the funding for the Safe and Secure Communities Program Grant No. P-6102-14.

RESOLUTION #67-2014*

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE SUBMISSION OF A TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION FOR RECYCLING TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which a tonnage grant may be made to

municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for the **2013 Recycling Tonnage Grant** will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Newton Town Council of the Town of Newton to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed; and

WHEREAS, the Newton Town Council adopted Resolution #52-2014, authorizing entering into a Shared Services Agreement with the Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority to provide a Certified Recycling Professional for the Town of Newton;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Newton Town Council of the Town of Newton that the Town of Newton hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates Reenee Casapulla, Recycling Coordinator for SCMUA, to ensure the application is properly filed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purpose of recycling.

RESOLUTION #68-2014*

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER AND ALTERNATE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 213, ARTICLE III OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON RELATED TO HOLDING CERTAIN LANDLORDS RESPONSIBLE FOR DISORDERLY TENANT BEHAVIOR

WHEREAS, Chapter 213, Article III of the Code of the Town of Newton, "Holding Certain Landlords Responsible for Disorderly Tenant Behavior", provides that a Hearing Officer, who is a New Jersey licensed attorney who does not own or lease any property within the Town of Newton or hold any interest in the assets or profits arising from the ownership or lease of such property within the Town of Newton, shall be appointed by the Town Council; and

WHEREAS, said legal services are needed for calendar year 2014, which professional services are awarded under non-fair and open contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, that the Town Council authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement appointing Kellen F. Murphy, Esq. of Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland, Perretti, as the Hearing Officer pursuant to Section 213-11, et seq. of the Newton Town Code; and Glenn T. Gavan, Esq. of the Law Office of Glenn T. Gavan, Esq., LLC as the alternate Hearing Officer pursuant to Section 213-11, et seq. of the Newton Town Code; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOVED, that this Resolution and a copy of each agreement is to be provided to each attorney and shall be advertised and is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

RESOLUTION #69-2014*

LIFTING OF THE WATER RESTRICTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF NEWTON

WHEREAS, in October 2013 the Town of Newton's reservoir at Morris Lake, Sparta, New Jersey was 22 inches below the top of the spillway; and

WHEREAS, due to the continued drop in water at Morris Lake, the Town of Newton imposed Water Restrictions on October 30, 2013 by the adoption of Resolution #188-2013; and

WHEREAS, Morris Lake is currently 2 inches above the top of the spillway; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body feels there is no longer a need to impose water restrictions for the Town Newton;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that we hereby rescind Resolution #188-2013 and lift the water restrictions for the Town of Newton.

RESOLUTION #70-2014*

REFUND OF MONIES FOR TAXES, DUE TO A STATE TAX COURT JUDGMENT FOR BLOCK 8.03, LOT 13

WHEREAS, Peter J. Zipp, Esq., of the firm Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC the attorney representing Court Square Realty Associated, owner of Block 8.03, Lot 13, also known as 57-61 Spring Street, filed a State Tax Court Appeal to lower the 2013 assessment on said block and lot; and

WHEREAS, the Newton Tax Office received, on March 31, 2014, a Judgment which has been issued by the State Tax Court ordering a reduction in assessment for the tax year 2013. This order has resulted in a refund of monies in the total amount of \$7,269.58;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body acknowledges that Peter J. Zipp, Esq., of the firm Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC attorney representing Court Square Realty Associates is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$7,269.58; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$7,269.58 to Peter J. Zipp, Esq., of the firm Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC attorney representing Court Square Realty Associates, 166 Gatzmer Avenue, Jamesburg, NJ 08831.

RESOLUTION #71-2014*

AUTHORIZE REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER FOR BLOCK 14.03, LOT 10

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on October 9, 2013 a lien was sold on Block 14.03, Lot 10, also known as 32 Halsted Street, for 2012 delinquent real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien, which is known as Tax Sale Certificate #1382, was sold to Tower Fund Svcs/Cust Ebury Fund 1NJ LLC for a 0% redemption fee and a premium of \$23,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Ellman, owner of the property has effected redemption of Certificate #1382 in the amount of \$22,168.99;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body acknowledges that Tower Fund Svcs/Cust Ebury Fund 1NJ LLC is entitled to the redemption in the amount of \$22,168.99 as well as the return of the premium in the amount of \$23,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$22,168.99 for the redemption of Certificate #1382 as well as a check in the amount of \$23,000.00 for return of the premium to Tower Fund Svcs/Cust Ebury Fund 1NJ LLC, PO Box 37695, Baltimore, MD 21297-3695.

RESOLUTION #72-2014*

REFUND OF MONIES FOR TAXES, DUE TO A STATE TAX COURT JUDGMENT FOR BLOCK 13.05, LOT 25

WHEREAS, Bruce J. Stavitsky, Esq. of Stavitsky & Associates, LLC the attorney representing Fundamental Company, Inc. owner of Block 13.05, Lot 25, also known as 11-15 Nelson Street filed a State Tax Court Appeal to lower the 2012 and 2013 assessments on said block and lot; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Office received, on March 31, 2014, a Judgment which has been issued by the State Tax Court ordering a reduction in assessment for the tax years 2012 and 2013. This order has resulted in a refund of monies in the total amount of \$29,020.55; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body acknowledges that Bruce J. Stavitsky, Esq. of Stavitsky & Associates, LLC attorney representing Fundamental Company, Inc. is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$29,020.55; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$29,020.55 to, Bruce J. Stavitsky, Esq. of Stavitsky & Associates, LLC attorney representing Fundamental Company, Inc., 350 Passaic Avenue, Fairfield, NJ 07004.

RESOLUTION #73-2014*

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE *DISTRACTED DRIVING 2014 CRACKDOWN* OF APRIL 1-21, 2014

WHEREAS, distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice that is preventable; and

WHEREAS, distracted driving can result in injuries and deaths to all road users (motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists); and

WHEREAS, distracted driving occurs when drivers divert their attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity instead; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) estimates at any given moment during daylight hours, 660,000 drivers are using hand-held cell phones while driving; and

WHEREAS, NHTSA further estimates thousands of people are killed each year in distracted driving crashes and nearly a half million people are injured; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide Distracted Driving 2014 Crackdown from April 1 - 21, 2014 in an effort to raise awareness and decrease driver distraction through a combination of enforcement and education; and

WHEREAS, the national slogan for the campaign is **UDrive. UText. UPay**; and

WHEREAS, a reduction in distracted driving in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that we hereby declare our support for the *Distracted Driving 2014 Crackdown* both locally and nationally from April 1 – 21, 2014 and pledge to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

RESOLUTION #74-2014*

APPROVE BILLS AND VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that payment is hereby approved for all vouchers that have been properly authenticated and presented for payment, representing expenditures for which appropriations were duly made in the 2013 and 2014 Budgets adopted by this local Governing Body, including any emergency appropriations, and where unexpended balances exist in said appropriation accounts for the payment of such vouchers.

TOWN BILLS

32.18	Quill Corporation	33281
409.10	Montague Tool & Supply, Inc.	33282
812.50	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc.	33283
208.00	Sussex Car Wash Inc.	33284
4,467.54	Elizabethtown Gas	33285
586.56	G & G Diesel Service Inc	33286
612.39	JCP&L	33287
167.04	SCMUA	33288
112.00	Michael D. Teets	33289
280.12	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	33290
2,985.58	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	33291
18.00	Hollander, Strelzik, Pasculli, Hinkes	33292
72.30	Campbell's Small Engine Inc.	33293
425.00	Office Equipment Corporation	33294
6,043.50	Newton First Aid Squad	33295
112.00	Scott Holzhauser	33296
406.00	Willco, Inc.	33297
33.33	Sloan, James P, P.C., Inc.	33298
1,920.00	J & D Sales & Service, LLC.	33299
50.00	Sussex County League of	33300
37.50	Brock Kithcart	33301
605.00	T.A. Mountford Company, Inc.	33302
50.00	Registrar's Asso of New Jersey	33303
35.00	Registrar's Asso of New Jersey	33304
1,500.00	Microsystems-NJ Com, LLC.	33305
41.00	Joseph Carr	33306
15.00	Sussex County Assessors Assoc.	33307
790.00	Rutgers Continue Ed Cook College	33308
785.31	Dempsey Uniform & Supply Inc.	33309
140.00	Debra Millikin	33310
134.00	Sussex County Clerk's Assn	33311
469.49	Boonton Tire Supply Inc.	33312
550.00	Treasurer, State of New Jersey	33313
53,775.32	Statewide Insurance Fund	33314
112.00	Jason Miller	33315
1,558.20	Verizon Wireless, Inc.	33316
175.10	Petro-Mechanics, Inc.	33317
74.85	Walmart	33318
76.13	Mr. John, Inc.	33319
137.00	Nena	33320
7,250.00	Holzhauser & Holenstein, LLC.	33321
757.13	Danforth's Trailer & Auto, Inc.	33322
56.04	Teresa Ann Oswin	33323
5,365.47	Fire & Safety Services, LTD., Inc.	33324
301.00	Seely Brothers, Inc.	33325
70.00	Sussex County Community College	33326

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585.08	Staples Business Advantage, Inc.	33327
6.80	Language Line Services, Inc.	33328
170.95	Spectrum Communications, Inc.	33329
48.00	CSS Test Inc.	33330
221.35	Pinnacle Wireless FBO Unitek Global	33331
4,355.59	Rachles/ Michele's Oil Company, Inc.	33332
9,467.09	Taylor Oil Co., Inc.	33333
2,250.00	Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	33334
2,538.89	General Code, LLC	33335
1,737.00	Tire King, Inc.	33336
847.15	Jersey Central Power & Light, Inc.	33337
1,595.00	Code 96 LLC	33338
564.75	Penteledata	33339
4,515.32	Woodruff Energy Us, Inc.	33340
775.00	AG Choice, LLC.	33341
254.55	NJ Division Pension & Benefit	33342
595.95	Thyssenkrupp Elevator Corp.	33343
121.50	Kerry Deckert	33344
115.00	J. Caldwell & Associates, LLC.	33345
850.00	Grant Writing USA	33346
89.00	Ceunion	33347
2,500.00	Community Resource Partners, LLC.	33348
73.42	Tape-Tel Electronics Inc.	33349
154.18	Sunlight General	33350
615.00	USA Hoistco., Inc.	33351
800.00	Laboratory for Scientific Interrogation	33352
85.60	Floral Gallery	33353
96.00	Andover Exxon	33354
15.00	Trinity Lounge	33355
285,030.00	Chase Bank	141018
981,859.17	Newton Board of Education	141017
80,000.00	Capital Account	141016
2,946.82	Sussex Bank	33280
3,750.00	Reed Fleishman	33279
189,754.04	Payroll Account	141015
83.21	Elavon (merchant svc)	141014

CAPITAL

2,918.00	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc.	8247
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Total TOWN BILLS \$1,676,998.49

WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

1,046.50	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc.	14103
2,053.43	Andres & Mooney Electric Inc.	14104
1,894.92	Elizabethtown Gas	14105
6,680.49	JCP&L	14106
381.27	SCMUA	14107
3,215.26	Coyne Chemical Corp., Inc.	14108
36.31	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	14109
1,251.21	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	14110
850.00	Garden State Laboratories Inc.	14111
58.03	Federal Express	14112
164.28	Hamburg Plumbing Supply Co Inc.	14113
350.00	Willco, Inc.	14114
45.00	Minisink Press Inc.	14115
63.52	Sebring Auto Parts, Inc.	14116
339.04	Dempsey Uniform & Supply Inc.	14117
3,296.00	R&D Trucking Inc.	14118
52.93	Airgas East	14119
200.00	Treasurer, State of New Jersey	14120
413.00	Treasurer, State of New Jersey	14121

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48,915.15	Statewide Insurance Fund	14122
154.00	Verizon Wireless, Inc.	14123
6,720.00	Passaic Valley Sewerage Comm.	14124
1,280.00	John Smalley	14125
3,158.40	Main Pool & Chemical Company, Inc.	14126
1,335.00	Alternate Power Inc.	14127
85.00	Wildflowers with Tami	14128
25.65	Advance Auto Parts	14129
184.63	Home Depot, Inc.	14130
4,533.28	Suburban Propane, LP.	14131
877.60	Kistler O'Brien Fire Protection, In	14132
6,959.77	Pall Corporation	14133
10.00	Sussex County Community College	14134
368.00	Accurate Waste Removal Inc.	14135
119.90	Penteledata	14136
42.82	One Call Concepts, Inc.	14137
1,942.83	Woodruff Energy US, Inc.	14138
472.08	Toyota Motor Credit Corp.	14139
273.77	Sunlight General	14140
2,281.64	Cintas Fire Protection, Corp.	14141
15.45	Trinity Lounge	14142
33,043.76	Bank of New York	146008
3,750.00	Reed Fleishman	14102
33,087.24	Payroll Account	146007

CAPITAL

4,904.00	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc.	2334
2,830.02	Tilcon New Jersey, Inc.	2335
80.00	Hatch Mott Macdonald	2336

Total WATER & SEWER BILLS \$179,841.18

TRUST

384.00	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc.	3222
216.00	Hollander, Strelzik, Pasculli, Hinkes	3223
1,300.00	Sloan, James P, P.C., Inc.	3224
60.50	Vogel, Chait, Collins, Schneider, PC,	3225
788.00	Statewide Striping Corporation	3226
230.00	J. Caldwell & Associates, LLC.	3227
838.38	M. Sky Construction Corp.	3228
3.00	Penta Communications	3229
3.00	High Point Utilities	3230
175.63	Payroll Account	147106
702.52	Payroll Account	702.52

Total TRUST ACCOUNT BILLS \$4,701.03

DEVELOPERS ESCROW ACCOUNT

327.50	Dolan & Dolan, Inc.	1170
63.75	Ferriero Engineering Inc.	1171
1,650.00	Edward J Buzak	1172

Total DEV. ESCROW BILLS \$2,041.25

DOG RESERVE ACCOUNT

4,010.00	Township of Wantage	8541
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Total DEV. ESCROW BILLS \$4,010.00

An application for an on-premise raffle (50-50 & Raffle) from the Pride

Foundation, Inc. to be held on Friday, May 9, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. at Merriam Avenue School, 81 Merriam Avenue, Newton. It was noted that the application was in order, signed by the Chief of Police, and accompanied by the prescribed fee.

An application for an off-premise raffle (50-50) from the Pride Foundation, Inc. to be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Newton High School, 44 Ryerson Avenue. It was noted that the application was in order, signed by the Chief of Police, and accompanied by the prescribed fee.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Elvidge to approve the **COMBINED ACTION RESOLUTIONS**, seconded by Mrs. Diglio and roll call resulted as follows:

Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Becker	Absent
Deputy Mayor Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Flynn	Yes
Mayor Ricciardo	Yes		

Mr. Flynn recused from check number #1175 from the bill list Resolution #74-2014.

DISCUSSION

a.) Zoning Ordinance

Ursula Leo, Esq. reviewed the draft zoning ordinance which proposed some amendments to the present zoning ordinance.

After a brief discussion, Mayor Ricciardo directed Mr. Russo to place the amended Ordinance, as submitted, on the agenda for April 28th Council meeting.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Helen Le Frois, 132 Main Street, Newton, commended the Council on their budget preparation as well as the adoption of same. She thanked them for their diligent work on the budget and appreciated the decrease in taxes from previous years. Mrs. Le Frois also congratulated Council on the 150th anniversary of the Town of Newton. She advised Council that she has received positive feedback and feels the excitement with regard to the 150th anniversary with the celebration continuing through Newton Day.

Neil Flaherty, 154 Sparta Avenue, Newton, also commended the Council on their diligent work with the Municipal budget and asked Council to continue their efforts in the area of shared services.

Mayor Ricciardo outlined some of the shared services that the Town is currently

reviewing.

COUNCIL & MANAGER COMMENTS

Councilman Flynn questioned whether the Special Improvement District (SID) notifications were sent out to the merchants and was advised that notifications will be sent out in May which will be prior to the adoption on May 28th. Mr. Flynn also addressed questions on the Spring Street plan improvements and Mr. Russo directed Mrs. Millikin to have the Town Engineer attend the next meeting to address concerns of the Council. Mr. Flynn also inquired about the regionalization plans and was advised the feasibility study is in the works.

Councilwoman Diglio recommended two names for Senior Citizen of the Year. After a brief discussion, Council agreed to proceed with the two recommendations as submitted.

Mayor Ricciardo recommended all residents take part in the 150th Anniversary celebrations.

Deputy Mayor Elvidge advised letters will be sent out shortly with the details of the 150th celebration.

There being no further business to be conducted, upon motion of Mr. Flynn, seconded by Mrs. Diglio and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lorraine A. Read, RMC
Municipal Clerk