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

Mayor Flynn made the following declaration "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, 2015."

Mayor Flynn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the Deputy Clerk called the roll. Upon motion of Deputy Mayor Diglio, seconded by Mrs. Becker and carried, the minutes of March 14, 2016 Regular meeting was approved.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Flynn 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."

Margaret Cosmos, 29 Halsted Street came forth to explain her frustration with the parking situation on Halsted Street. Several times she has had to call the police because cars have been parked illegally. The police admit the cars are illegally parked, but do not always issue parking tickets. They use their discretion and Mrs. Cosmos feels that is unfair. The Town Council thanked Mrs. Cosmos and advised they could not comment or make any decisions tonight on the matter.

Jonathan Andrews, Springboard Shoppes, made the following statement:

"First, thank you to Deputy Mayor Sandy Diglio, who has taken the initiative to work with me and the Town Manger to finally move forward on way finding signs showing travelers on 94 North and South, 519 North and South and 206 South how to reach our Spring Street Shopping, Dining, Entertainment and Art District.

These signs were promised to the merchants before the conversion of Spring Street to one way, but never materialized. Two businesses closed and others were badly impacted during the 9 months we have waited. I hope the signs arrive soon. They are based on the specific designs in the 2009 Circulation Plan.

Second, thanks to Councilman Levant for urging "multiple people from all those organizations to sit down, put egos aside, brainstorm ideas and come up with something that works."

He went to say, "because waiting until the last second when we're about to act on an ordinance is not the way I want to do things." While I agree with the sentiment, at our monthly merchant meetings, attended by town employees, we have made clear our feelings about the parking ordinance passed last meeting.

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When one way was implemented in July, we asked Deputy Manager whether parking was to be allowed there. She said she would check, and got back to us saying it was permitted. Various Police Officers confirmed this. At meeting through December, some held 16 feet from the spaces involved, the subject did not come up. At January, February and March meetings we stated our desire to retain the parking. Apparently that sentiment never reached Town Management. We didn't wait until the last second. Our opinion was just disregarded.

Third, the Town Manger is quoted in the Herald "The spots were designed to be decorative and ornamental." This effect is diminished by the constant presence of Police Cars in the spots.

Some positive notes: 1) A theater company from Sparta, Drama Geeks, which has been staging productions at venues including Sussex County Community College, is now rehearsing and performing at the Jewish Center on Washington Street. I introduced the parties when news came out that the Jewish Center was closing. The small Theater company needed a dedicated venue. The 150 seat congregational area is ideal for a small theater company. I believe they hope to make the arrangement permanent and include other musical and performance activities.

2) Art Etc, providing gallery, framing, art supplies and lessons is relocating to SpringBoard Shoppes in Newton from Hamburg. A significant factor in their decision to move is the presence of the Spring Street Art Center and Sussex County Arts and Heritage Council in near proximity.

Finally, I formally request that Newton not regularly park the Police Cars in these spaces in front of our businesses. Their presence sends a message that 'something is going on.' They are harmful to my business, and I believe the other businesses surrounding that area. This harm extends to the Drama Geek and Art Etc businesses."

Ellsworth Bensley, Andover Township Committeeman, stated he is doing a survey of municipalities that use the brine system to see if it is cost effective. Mr. Russo responded the brine system has been a successful endeavor. It delays having to call in personnel for overtime and selling the brine to other municipalities is beneficial to Newton. Each Councilmember voiced their support of the system. Mr. Bensely thanked the Council for their time.

There being no one else from the public to be heard, Mayor Flynn closed the meeting to the public.

COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS

There was no Council & Manager Reports.

ORDINANCES

There were no ordinances.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to be discussed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Flynn 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."*

Mayor Flynn asked that Resolution #52-2016 entitled "Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Town Clerk to enter into an Easement Agreement with Timothy G. & Heather E. Ryan, Owners of 14 Briarwood Court (Block 801, Lot 12) Regarding an Existing Waterline Easement" be removed from the consent agenda and tabled until the April 11, 2016 meeting.

Mr. Russo then outlined the remaining resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

RESOLUTION #47-2016*

"Authorize Compensation Adjustments for 2016 Calendar Year for Certain Town of Newton Employees Not Covered by Collective Bargaining Agreements"

WHEREAS, minimum and maximum hourly and annual salary ranges for each officer and employee of the Town of Newton were established for calendar year 2016 by Ordinance #2015-35; and

WHEREAS, the Town Manager, as part of his 2016 Town of Newton Preliminary Budget, has recommended a TWO PER CENT (2.0%) increase in salary for calendar year 2016 to be paid to certain Town of Newton employees, whose employment is not the subject of any bargaining agreement or individual contract; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has reached the following conclusions:

1. A TWO PERCENT (2.0%) increase in salary for certain full-time and part-time Town of Newton employees, whose employment is not the subject of any bargaining agreement or individual contract, for calendar year 2016 is appropriate.
2. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Members of the Town Council have refused said salary increase.
3. The Police Chief has already received an increase according to his contract.
4. The salary increase of the Town Manager has been addressed separately by the Town Council.
5. Seasonal Employees, Crossing Guards, and Omnibus Drivers are excluded from any salary increase authorized by this Resolution.
6. The following employees/titles are **excluded** from this TWO PERCENT (2%) increase:
 - a. Code Enforcement Director
 - b. Deputy Town Manager
 - c. Human Resources Director
 - d. Public Works Supervisor
 - e. Assistant Water/Sewer Supervisor – Licensed Plant Operator
 - f. Water/Sewer Collector
 - g. Deputy Municipal Court Administrator
7. Said raises shall be retroactive to January 1, 2016.
8. Stipends received through payroll are not salary and shall not be entitled to the

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TWO PERCENT (2%) increase authorized by this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the salaries and wages for the year 2016 for non-union Town of Newton employees, whose employment is not covered by bargaining agreement or individual contract and with the aforementioned exceptions, shall be increased by TWO PERCENT (2%), retroactive to January 1, 2016.

RESOLUTION #48-2016*

“Authorize Credits Due Water and Sewer Utility Accounts”

WHEREAS, the Water and Sewer Collector has determined the following Water and Sewer Utility Accounts are due credits for the reasons stated;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the Water and Sewer Collector is hereby authorized to credit the aforementioned accounts for amounts billed incorrectly due to the reasons stated:

Utility Board Recommends Credit of Sewer Charges Due to Water Leaks:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7408	37 Linwood Ave.	\$224.50

RESOLUTION #49-2016*

“Approve Fireworks Display at Sussex County Community College for the Rockin’ Fest Event”

WHEREAS, a Resolution of the Newton Governing Body is required by the New Jersey Department of Labor, Division of Workplace Standards, to grant permission for the public display of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, Garden State Fireworks of Millington, New Jersey has submitted a proposal for a fireworks display with a copy of the permit application, certificate of insurance, a site diagram and other pertinent information, in conjunction with a fireworks display that will take place at Sussex County Community College on June 30, 2016 as part of the “Rockin’ Fest” event; and

WHEREAS, Sussex County Fire Marshal, Virgil Rome, has advised the application for said fireworks display is complete and in order;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the Sussex County Community College is granted permission for a fireworks display during the “Rockin’ Fest” event to take place on June 30, 2016, and that said fireworks display will be provided by Garden State Fireworks of Millington, NJ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified original of this Resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Department of Labor and Sussex County Fire Marshal Virgil Rome.

RESOLUTION #50-2016*

“Approve Transfer of Erroneous Tax Payment”

WHEREAS, Mr. Rudolph Del Vecchio sent a payment in the amount of \$2,075.68 on February 1, 2016 via his bank’s bill pay system and indicated it to be posted to account #10810; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Del Vecchio now states this payment was made erroneously to account #10810 and the intended account to be paid should be account #5545; and

WHEREAS, the payment in the amount of \$2,075.68 needs to be transferred from account #10810 to account #5545 to correct this error;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body acknowledges that the Tax Collector transfer \$2,075.68 from account #10810 to account #5545; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tax Collector be authorized to process this transfer in the amount of \$2,075.68 to correct this erroneous payment.

RESOLUTION #51-2016*

“Resolution Authorizing the Tax Assessor, Town Manager and Tax Counsel to Bring and Prosecute Tax Appeal(s) Seeking to Set Aside Property Tax Exemption for Block 1.01, Lot 4 for Tax Year 2016”

WHEREAS, Resolution #226-2015 adopted by the Town Council authorizes the Tax Assessor and Special Tax Counsel to bring tax appeals as may be necessary to correct the assessments of the Town of Newton; and

WHEREAS, Block 1.01, Lot 4 (the "Property") is classified as tax exempt in prior years and on the Town’s Tax List for the 2016 Tax Year; and

WHEREAS, the Owner of the Property, Newton Memorial Hospital/C. Salvado, has not proven its entitlement to continued tax-exempt status under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, the Town is aggrieved by and feels discriminated against by the Property’s tax-exempt status;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Assessor, Town Manager and Special Tax Counsel are hereby authorized to bring and prosecute tax appeals to the Sussex County Board of Taxation and the Tax Court of New Jersey to set aside the Property Tax Exemption and to assess the Property at its true value; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective nunc pro tunc as of the filing date of the tax appeals.

RESOLUTION #53-2016*

March 28, 2016 “Award Purchase Contracts for the Acquisition of Chemicals”

WHEREAS, specifications were prepared for the purchase of various chemicals needed to operate the Newton Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Newton Water Filtration Plant, and bids were subsequently solicited and publicly opened and read on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 as follows:

	Liquid Sodium Carbonate	Liquid Aluminum Sulfate	Liquid/Gas Sulfur Dioxide	Liquid Chlorine/Gas	CES PACI 2500/Del Pac 2950	Liquid Sodium Hydroxide	Liquid Hydrofluosilic Acid	Sodium Hypochlorite
Usalco 1120 Middle River Road Baltimore, MD 21220	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid lbs. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid lbs. \$No Bid total	\$4.97 gal. \$79,520.00 total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total
Univar 532 E. Emmaus Street Middletown, PA 18641	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$70 lbs. \$7,665.00 total	\$85 lbs. \$2,307.50 total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$1.99 gal. \$10,945.00 total	\$4.43 gal. \$5,531.25 total	\$2.36 gal. \$17,700.00 total
Coyne Chemical Co. 3015 State Rd Croydon, PA 19021	\$678 gal. \$61,020.00 total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$1,4237 lbs. \$15,589.52 total	\$1,5781 lbs. \$17,280.20 total	\$4,177 gal. \$66,832.00 total	\$1,911 gal. \$10,510.50 total	\$4,472 gal. \$5,598.75 total	\$1,833 gal. \$13,747.50 total
Main Pool & Chemical 501 Main Street Avoca, PA 18641	\$74 gal. \$66,600.00 total	\$1,253,000 gal. \$3,750.00 total \$1,095,000 gal. \$5,450.00 total	\$1.30 lbs. \$14,235.00 total	\$72 lbs. \$7,884.00 total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$1.44 gal. \$7,920.00 total	\$4.37 gal. \$5,462.50 total	\$1.32 gal. \$9,900.00 total
JCI – Jones Chemical, Inc. 103 River Street Warwick, NY 10990	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$65 lbs. \$7,117.50 total	\$65 gal. \$7,117.50 total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total

	Liquid Sodium Carbonate	Liquid Aluminum Sulfate	Liquid/Gas Sulfur Dioxide	Liquid Chlorine/Gas	CES PACI 2500/Del Pac 2950	Liquid Sodium Hydroxide	Liquid Hydrofluosilic Acid	Sodium Hypochlorite
Miracle Chemical Co. 1151 B Highway 33 Farmingdale, NJ 07727	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid lbs. \$No Bid total	\$No Bid gal. \$No Bid total	\$1,265 gal. \$9,487.50 total			

WHEREAS, the bids for chemicals listed above were reviewed by the Qualified Purchasing Agent, Debra J. Millikin, and she has recommended the awards for the following purchase of chemicals based on submission of the low bids which are in the best interest of the Town of Newton; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available to support these awards as per attached certification;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that it hereby awards bids for the purchase of chemicals as follows:

Chemical

- Liquid Sodium Carbonate
- Liquid Aluminum Sulfate
- Liquid/Gas Sulfur Dioxide
- Liquid Chlorine/Gas
- CES PACI 2500
- Liquid Sodium Hydroxide
- Liquid Hydrofluosilic Acid
- Sodium Hypochlorite

Bidder Receiving Award

- Coyne Chemical Co.
- Main Pool & Chemical
- JCI Jones
- JCI Jones
- Coyne Chemical Co.
- Main Pool & Chemical
- Main Pool & Chemical
- Miracle Chemical Co.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate municipal staff members are hereby authorized to issue purchase order contracts to the above listed chemical suppliers for the corresponding chemical purchases, and that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to each of the bidders.

RESOLUTION #54-2016*

“Award Purchase Contracts for Sludge and Chemical Waste Trucking”

WHEREAS, the services of a private company are required by the Town of Newton to provide equipment and personnel for sludge trucking services and chemical waste trucking services; and

WHEREAS, specifications were prepared indicating that the successful bidder shall remove an estimated total of 120,000 gallons of sludge per month from the Newton Wastewater Treatment Plant and an estimated total of 45,000 gallons of chemical waste from the Newton Water Filtration Plant located in Sparta for a period of one year; and

WHEREAS, bids for sludge trucking services and chemical waste trucking services were solicited and publicly opened and read on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 as follows:

	<u>Sludge Trucking</u>	<u>Chemical Waste Trucking</u>
Russell Reid		
200 Smith Street	\$0.065	\$0.065
PO Box 130		
Keasbey, NJ 08832-0130		
R & D Trucking, Inc.		
1874 Route 23 North	\$0.0339	\$0.054
West Milford, NJ 07480		
Accurate Waste Removal Services, Inc.		
226 Prospect Point Road	\$0.037	\$0.035
Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849		

WHEREAS, R & D Trucking, Inc., was the lowest bidder for sludge trucking and Accurate Waste Removal Service, Inc., was the lowest bidder for chemical waste trucking; and

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WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, Debra J. Millikin, recommends awarding the contract for sludge trucking to R & D Trucking, Inc., and chemical waste trucking to Accurate Waste Removal Services, Inc; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available to support these awards as per attached certification;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that it hereby awards the contract for sludge trucking to R & D Trucking, Inc., of West Milford, New Jersey, and chemical waste trucking to Accurate Waste Removal Services, Inc., Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey and that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to all bidders.

RESOLUTION #55-2016*

“Resolution of the Town of Newton, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey, Authorizing an Escrow Agreement with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless”

WHEREAS, Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless (the “Entity”) is proposing to construct a wireless communications facility on top of the Merriam Gateway Apartment building, located at 69 Sparta Avenue (Block 18.02, Lot 15), Newton, New Jersey (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Property is located in a designated Historic Preservation District, and must therefore comply with historic preservation requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Entity is in need of and is seeking input from Town professionals, including the Town Planner, and recognizes the Town will incur costs and expenses in connection therewith, and is willing to defray those costs, with no assurance of a particular result from the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Entity has agreed to deposit funds with the Town to be administered in accordance with the terms of the form of escrow agreement set forth at Exhibit A hereto;

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

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Town hereby authorizes the execution of the Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and by this reference incorporated herein. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto.

Section 3. If any part of this Resolution shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereby shall not affect the remaining parts of this Resolution.

Section 4. A copy of this resolution shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Town Clerk.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION #56-2016*

“Approve 2015 Appropriation Reserve Transfers”

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the following 2015 appropriation reserve transfers be approved effective this date:

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<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Building & Grounds OE 1061217A	Swimming Pool OE 1090235A	\$1,800.00
TOTAL CURRENT TRANSFERS		\$1,800.00

RESOLUTION #57-2016*

“Resolution to Support Sussex County CLEAR Program – Community Law Enforcement Addiction Recovery”

WHEREAS, it is well-established that drug use and addiction is a major problem that impacts all of us on multiple levels; individuals, families and communities bear the many ill-effects that it has on our safety, health and the economy; and

WHEREAS, the alarming reality of the heroin/opiate epidemic, in particular, has created an urgent need to work together to reverse these trends; and

WHEREAS, one in three people is affected by substance use disorders, no matter their occupation, income level, race or community status; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 there were 25 overdose deaths in Sussex County due to heroin, prescription medications and illicit substances, as well as 44 overdoses where Narcan was used to revive a person; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that for any anti-drug program to be effective, strong enforcement must be supported by an effort to reduce the demand for illegal substances and this is best accomplished through continued prevention education along with improved access to treatment and recovery support;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, that we do hereby resolve our community’s support of the Sussex County C.L.E.A.R. – **Community Law Enforcement Addiction Recovery** program, whose mission it is to form a collaborative network of professionals in our community who will facilitate medical intervention, improved access to treatment and recovery support for those struggling with drug addiction who seek assistance, without fear of arrest or prosecution, in order to make a positive difference in the quality of life for individuals, families and our entire community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we urge other Sussex County Municipalities to similarly adopt resolutions in support of the Sussex County C.L.E.A.R. Program and for individuals to visit www.clearprogram.org to learn more and join in support of this important community program.

RESOLUTION #58-2016*

“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 2015 and 2016 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

237.00	ABCCode Security Inc.	36435
210.00	Accurate Door, Inc.	36436
44.97	Advance Auto Parts	36437
18.50	AlSCO Industrial Products Inc.	36438
339.00	Alternate Power Inc.	36439
739.98	Azul Core	36440
250.00	Black Lagoon	36441
192.62	Candywarehouse.com	36442
187.89	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	36443
3,396.48	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	36444
1,640.47	Cintas Fire Protection	36445
292.69	Cooper Electric Supply Co	36446
7,350.00	County of SuSEx	36447
115.00	Danielson, Deborah	36448
2,653.36	Facility Dude	36449
25.36	Federal Express	36450
210.00	Garden State Highway Products, Inc.	36451
24.54	Hayek's Market Inc.	36452
115.00	Holzauer, Scott	36453
460.31	Home Depot, Inc.	36454
2,720.98	J & P Crushing, LLC.	36455
767.00	J. Caldwell & Associates, LLC.	36456
6,850.77	JCP&L	36457
5,297.12	JCP&L	36458
3,791.67	John Mulhern	36459
40.00	JP Monzo Munic Consulting, LLC	36460
37.50	Kithcart, Brock	36461
112.00	Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	36462
2,875.00	Laddey, Clark, & Ryan, LLP	36463
3,168.00	Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	36464
125.28	Lafayette Auto Parts	36465
298.51	Matthew Bender & Co., Inc.	36466
1,530.08	Microsystems-NJ Com, LLC.	36467
69.00	Mid-Atlantic For Safety &	36468
143.75	Millikin, Debra	36469
53.88	L-3 Comm., Mobile-Vision	36470
2,000.00	Morris County Police Academy	36471
24.49	Muller, Thomas	36472
240.00	National Entertainment Tech., Inc.	36473
153.40	New Jersey Herald, Inc.	36474
6,125.00	Newton First Aid Squad	36475
2,329.69	Elizabethtown Gas	36476
100.00	Office of Weights & Measures	36477
729.70	Penteledata	36478
366.00	Performance Trailers, Inc.	36479
289.40	Physio-Control, Inc.	36480
180.00	Professional Govt Educators Inc	36481
336.45	Quill Corporation	36482
1,733.86	Rachles/Michele's Oil Company, Inc.	36483
100.00	Registrar's Asso of New Jersey	36484
83.48	Reisinger Oxygen Service, Inc.	36485
235.00	Rutgers, Center for Government Serv	36486
9.10	Sebring Auto Parts, Inc.	36487
22.96	Service Electric Auto Parts, Inc.	36488
1,229.16	Sloan, James PPC.	36489
507.83	Staples Business Advantage, Inc.	36490
680.53	Structural Metal Fabricators, Inc.	36491
269.90	Sunlight General	36492
55.00	Sunset	36493
5.00	Sussex County Clerk's Assn	36494
1,125.27	Taylor Oil Co., Inc.	36495

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37.50	Teresa Ann Oswin	36496
95.00	The NJ Shade Tree Federation	36497
472.08	Toyota Motor Credit Corp.	36498
41.19	Tractor Supply Co	36499
30,000.00	Trust Account, Town of Newton	36500
50.71	V.E. Ralph & Son, Inc.	36501
1,470.11	Verizon Wireless, Inc.	36502
452.64	Vital Computer Resources, Inc.	36503
1,260.00	Vogel, Chait, Collins, Schneider, PC,	36504
80.00	Wildflowers With Tami	36505
209,079.74	Payroll Account	161016
1,031,649.83	Newton Board of Education	161015

CAPITAL

413.00	J. Caldwell & Associates, LLC.	8531
3,401.20	McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC	8532
8,389.75	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc	8533
252,394.16	Pierce Manufacturing Inc.	8534

Total TOWN BILLS \$ 1,604,601.84

WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

37.32	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	15533
1,159.69	Centurylink Communications, Inc.	15534
459.89	Cintas Fire Protection	15535
40.00	Eagle Equipment, Inc.	15536
960.00	Garden State Laboratories Inc	15537
11,048.91	Hatch Mott MacDonald	15538
395.05	Home Depot, Inc.	15539
16,345.42	JCP&L	15540
1,216.00	Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	15541
10,500.00	Lyons Environmental Services, LLC.	15542
1,342.00	Main Pool & Chemical Company, Inc.	15543
1,093.91	Elizabethtown Gas	15544
6,300.00	Passaic Valley Sewerage Comm.	15545
5,492.50	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc.	15546
219.90	Penteledata	15547
2,361.84	Process Tech Sales And Service	15548
6,991.50	Pumping Services, Inc.	15549
434.60	Schmidt's Wholesale, Inc	15550
1,250.00	Smalley, John H	15551
49.99	Staples Business Advantage, Inc.	15552
2,275.02	Suburban Propane, LP	15553
547.33	Sunlight General	15554
147.41	Verizon Wireless, Inc.	15555
34,441.97	Payroll Account	166008

CAPITAL

4,700.00	J&B Windsor Lake Estates	2416
12,410.00	P. Cipollini, Inc.	2417
1,159.38	Pellow, Harold & Asso, Inc	2418

Total WATER & SEWER Bills \$ 123,379.63

TRUST ACCOUNT

258.94	Current Account	3456
1,915.00	J. Caldwell & Associates, LLC.	3457
896.00	Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	3458
1,050.00	Vogel, Chait, Collins, Schneider, PC,	3459

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660.00	Vogel, Chait, Collins, Schneider, PC,	3460
869.00	Payroll Account	167106

Total TRUST ACCOUNT Bills \$ 5,648.94

HOUSING TRUST FUND COAH (FUND 75)

1,169.37	Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	144
1,086.63	Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	145

Total HOUSING TRUST FUND COAH (FUND 75) Bills \$ 2,256.00

DOG RESERVE ACCOUNT

4,171.75	Township of Wantage	8557
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Total DOG RESERVE ACCOUNT Bills \$ 4,171.75

The Deputy Clerk presented an application for membership into the Newton Fire Department for Christopher M. Chartier, 365 Mohegan Circle, Lafayette, NJ. It was noted the application was in order.

A motion was made by Mrs. Becker to approve the **COMBINED ACTION RESOLUTIONS**, seconded by Mr. Levante and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Deputy Mayor Diglio	Yes
Mrs. Becker	Yes	Mr. Levante	Yes
	Mayor Flynn	Yes	

INTERMISSION – none

DISCUSSION –

There were no items for discussion.

INTRODUCTION OF 2016 BUDGET

At this time, Mr. Russo reviewed the 2016 Budget.

Municipal Budget Notice

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the Town of Newton, County of Sussex for the Fiscal Year 2016. Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2016; Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published in the New Jersey Herald In the issue of April 11, 2016. The Governing Body of the Town of Newton does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2016:

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Total 2016 Town of Newton Municipal Budget is \$12,414,438.

Total 2016 Water & Sewer Utility Budget is \$3,973,600.

A motion was made by Mrs. Becker to approve the **INTRODUCED 2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND WATER & SEWER UTILITY BUDGET**, seconded by Mr. Levante and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Deputy Mayor Diglio	Yes
Mrs. Becker	Yes	Mr. Levante	Yes
	Mayor Flynn	Yes	

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, County of Sussex, on March 28, 2016. A hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the Municipal Building, on April 25, 2016 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2016 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There being no one from the public to be heard, Mayor Flynn closed the meeting to the public.

COUNCIL & MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Levante advised the Council he will be discussing the parking on Spring Street at the next Economic Development Commission (EDC) meeting. A brief discussion ensued and Mr. Russo advised that he along with Linda Roth will be evaluating the fee structure for parking meters/lots this summer. Also, parking on Spring Street falls under the Parking Authority's purview and the EDC can do some fact finding but the matter should be referred to the Parking Authority.

Mr. Elvidge stated he believes there is a disconnect between the Town Council and the Business District. There needs to be more continuity, in the past the merchants requested more police presence, now they say it's a deterrent. The merchants need to take advantage of the heavy traffic that travels through town on a daily basis. Merchants need to help themselves.

Deputy Mayor Diglio reiterated Mr. Elvidge's comment on the merchants requesting more police presence in the past.

Mayor Flynn stated the merchants need to collaborate on an issue before bringing it to the Town Council.

At this time Mayor Flynn announced a brief intermission before going into executive session.

March 28, 2016

EXECUTIVE SESSION

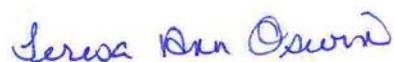
Mr. Russo read Resolution #59-2016 and Council entered into Executive Session at 7:53 pm.

Upon motion of Mrs. Becker, seconded by Deputy Mayor Diglio and unanimously carried, Council entered Executive Session at 7:53 pm.

Upon motion of Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Levante and unanimously carried, Council left Executive Session at 8:41 pm.

There being no further business to be conducted, upon motion of Deputy Mayor Diglio, seconded by Mr. Elvidge and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa Ann Oswin, RMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk