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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 p.m. Present were Mr. Elvidge, Mr. Diglio, Mr. Storm, Mr. Ricciardo, Mayor Unhoch and Town Manager, Eileen Kithcart.

Mayor Unhoch 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 26, 2007”.

Mayor Unhoch led all present in the Lord’s Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The Clerk called the roll and upon completion of same, upon motion by Mr. Storm, seconded by Mr. Ricciardo and carried, the minutes of November 5, 2007 (Special Work) meeting were approved.

Under Reading of Ordinances, Mayor Unhoch directed the Clerk to read aloud the following Ordinance relative to final adoption.

**ORDINANCE #2008-1**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10, TRAFFIC OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON’S REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Newton Parking Authority has requested the Newton Town Council eliminate certain parking metered zones on Moran Street in the interest of public safety;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that Chapter 10 of the Revised General Ordinance be amended as follows:

*THE FOLLOWING STREETS SHALL BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:*

**SCHEDULE I**

**NO PARKING**

<b><u>Street</u></b>	<b><u>Side</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
Moran	West	Beginning 172 feet from Spring Street continuing northerly to the Public Works Garage.

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Moran East From Spring Street northerly to the Public Works Garage, including the access for the Recycling Center

**SCHEDULE XII**

**PARKING METERED ZONES**

**Name of Street                      Direction                      Location**

THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE SHALL BE ADDED:

Moran	West	From the intersection with Spring Street in northerly direction 172 feet along the western curb.
Trinity	South	From Moran Street to Water Street (US#206)

THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE SHALL BE REMOVED:

Moran	Both	From Spring Street to Trinity Street
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**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this Ordinance shall take effect according to law.

Mayor Unhoch declared the hearing on Ordinance #2008-1 open to the public.

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

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Diglio, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Elvidge and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
	Mayor Unhoch	Yes	

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the above Ordinance be adopted in its entirety according to law.

Upon motion by Mr. Elvidge, seconded by Mr. Diglio and carried, that the Clerk be authorized and directed to advertise the above Ordinance according to law.

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

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**ORDINANCE #2008-2**

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE 2008 MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A 4-45.14)**

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Ricciardo, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Storm and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
Mayor Unhoch	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 February 11, 2008.

Upon motion of Mr. Diglio, seconded by Mr. Elvidge and carried, that the Clerk be authorized and directed to advertise the above Ordinance according to law.

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

**ORDINANCE #2008-3**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6 "LICENSING GENERAL" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR SIDEWALK CAFES AND CHAPTER 21, "FEES AND COSTS."**

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Ricciardo, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Storm and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
Mayor Unhoch	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 February 11, 2008.

Upon motion of Mr. Ricciardo, seconded by Mr. Storm and carried, that the Clerk be authorized and directed to advertise the above Ordinance

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according to law.

Under Old Business, Mayor Unhoch announced that the Town of Newton received a \$250,000 Grant for Main Street Beautification.

Under New Business, the Town Manager requested a resolution to ratify and affirm the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Newton and Ferraro Construction Company.

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Diglio who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Storm and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	No	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	No
Mayor Unhoch	Yes		

#### **RESOLUTION #4-2008**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Newton awarded a contract for the renovation of the Newton Pool Bathhouse to Ferraro Construction Corp. in the amount of \$589,880 by Resolution #132-2006 which was adopted on August 28, 2006, and

**WHEREAS**, upon completion of the renovations, final acceptance of the project was not granted by the Town of Newton to Ferraro Construction Company due to the Town's dissatisfaction with certain aspects of the construction, and

**WHEREAS**, several attempts to come to a mutual agreement on the issues were unsuccessful leading to Ferraro demanding mediation/arbitration, and upon advice of legal counsel, a meeting for the purposes of mediation was scheduled for January 17, 2008 through the American Arbitration Association,

**WHEREAS**, during the above-mentioned mediation process, the attached Memorandum of Understanding was written and signed by all parties present as the initial step toward resolving outstanding construction issues;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, that they hereby ratify and affirm the aforesaid Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Newton and Ferraro Construction Company, as executed by the Town Manager and Town Attorney relative to the remaining construction issues at the Newton Municipal Pool;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Memorandum of

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Understanding be attached to and made a part of this resolution.

The Town Manager requested a resolution to authorize credits due Water and Sewer Utility Accounts.

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Ricciardo who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Elvidge and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
Mayor Unhoch	Yes		

### **RESOLUTION #5-2008**

**WHEREAS**, the Water and Sewer Collector has determined that the following Water and Sewer Utility Accounts are due credits for the reason 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 following accounts for amounts billed incorrectly due to the reason stated:

### **UTILITY BOARD RECOMMENDS WAIVER OF PORTION OF SEWER BILL:**

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
14589	5 Birch Drive	\$483.50

The Town Manager requested a resolution declaring March 3, 2008 as Read Across America Day.

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Diglio who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Ricciardo and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
Mayor Unhoch	Yes		

### **RESOLUTION #6-2008**

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the Town of Newton stand firmly committed to the promoting reading as the catalyst for our students' future academic success, their preparation for America's jobs of the future, and their ability to compete in a global economy, and

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**WHEREAS**, the Town of Newton has provided significant leadership in the area of community involvement in the education of our youth, grounded in the principal that educational investment is the key to the community's well-being and long-term quality of life, and

**WHEREAS, NEA'S READ ACROSS AMERICA**, a national celebration of reading, will be conducted on March 3, 2008, which would have been the 104<sup>th</sup> birthday of Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, and

**WHEREAS, READ ACROSS AMERICA – NJ** is being conducted statewide by the New Jersey Education Association, in partnership with the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Library Association, Saturn-UAW, and their local affiliates across the state to promote reading and adult involvement in the education of our community's students;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council of the town of Newton calls on the citizens of Newton to assure that every child is in a safe place reading together with a caring adult on March 3, 2007;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this governing body enthusiastically endorses NEA'S Read Across America and – NJ, and recommits our community to engage in programs and activities to make America's children the best readers in the world.

The Town Manager requested a resolution authorizing Grant submission for PARIS Grant Program.

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Ricciardo who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Diglio and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
Mayor Unhoch	Yes		

**RESOLUTION #7-2008**

**WHEREAS, THE** Governing Body of the Town of Newton has agreed to apply for a PARIS Grant in the amount of \$200,000, and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the Town of Newton is acknowledging and accepting the responsibility of acting as applicant for this grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey has made PARIS grants available to assist county and municipal governments in their records management preservation and storage efforts;

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Town of Newton that the Town of Newton does hereby authorize a grant submission for the PARIS Grant Program.

The Town Manager requested a resolution to ratify and affirm the issuance of a Bond Anticipation Note.

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Diglio who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Storm and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
	Mayor Unhoch	Yes	

### **RESOLUTION #8-2008**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 2006-23 previously adopted by the town Council of the town of Newton authorized a special emergency appropriation for the preparation and issuance of a complete program for revaluation of real estate in the Town of Newton and Resolution #183-2006 authorized the issuance of a special emergency note to provide temporary financing for the Current Fund, and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Director obtained quotations for a \$280,000 Special Emergency Note on December 20, 2007 as follows:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Net Interest</u>
Sussex Bank	3.5%
Lakeland Bank	4.75%

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer accepted the quotation of Sussex Bank for a Special Emergency Note totaling \$280,000.00 at a net interest cost of 3.5%, and

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate Town Officials executed said Note in the amount of \$280,000.00 dated December 27, 2007 for a term of one (1) year due December 26, 2008;

**WHEREAS**, to comply with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-28 of the Local Bond Law, which requires that the Chief Financial Officer report certain information in writing to the Mayor and Council at the next council meeting, herewith attached is a copy of the Note evidencing the principal amount, interest rate, the maturity date, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that it does hereby ratify and affirm the issuance of said

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Special Emergency Note by the Chief Financial Officer and the execution of said note by the appropriate Town Officials.

The Town Manager requested a resolution to approve Bills and Vouchers for payment.

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Ricciardo who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Elvidge and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
	Mayor Unhoch	Yes	

### **RESOLUTION #9-2008**

**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 2007 and 2008 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** **TEMPORARY**

1,660.41	Montague Tool & Supply	22978
118.40	MGL Printing Solutions	22979
4,713.01	Harold Pellow & Associates, Inc.	22980
341.00	Oxygen Bottles Refilled	22981
80.00	Freedom Business Machines	22982
212.50	ABCcode Security	22983
168.00	Alpine Spring Water	22984
162.50	Sussex Car Wash, Inc.	22985
283.77	G & G Diesel Service, Inc.	22986
583.24	G & H Service Inc.	22987
256.90	New Jersey Herald	22988
1,127.90	SCMUA	22989
350.00	B & G Elevator	22990
299.39	EMBARQ	22991
966.50	EMBARQ	22992
150.00	EMBARQ	22993
1,023.00	Hollander,Hontz,Hinkes&Pasculli LLC	22994
24.50	Lorraine Read	22995
39.00	Tri-State Rentals, Inc.	22996
250.00	Sussex County Economic	22997
450.00	Office Equipment Corporation	22998
78.00	Lawyers Diary & Manual	22999
64.00	JRF Tire, Inc.	23000

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30.00	Peter J. Kays	23001
24.00	James Sisco	23002
24.00	Thomas Straway	23003
1,500.15	Willco, Inc.	23004
609.18	Vital Computer Resources, Inc.	23005
108.84	Newton Citgo	23006
35.00	NJ Police Traffic Officers	23007
622.00	NJ State League of Munic.	23008
50.00	Sussex County League of	23009
10.00	Newton Trophy	23010
24.00	William F. Smith	23011
6.00	William F. Smith	23012
24.00	Brock Kithcart	23013
474.96	Gall's Inc.	23014
18.00	William Hagaman	23015
6.00	William Hagaman	23016
50.00	Sussex County Detectives	23017
1,103.72	Good Year	23018
88.29	Zee Medical	23019
1,074.11	Dempsey Uniform & Supply, Inc.	23020
150.00	Greater Newton Chamber of Commerce	23021
143.85	Airgas	23022
764.00	Royal Communications	23023
90.00	G.F.O.A. of N.J.	23024
5,381.45	Boonton Tire Supply	23025
257.73	Ford Motor Credit-Municipal	23026
9,421.16	Ford Motor Credit-Municipal	23027
341.64	McGuire	23028
480.00	Weiner Lesniak	23029
150.00	NJMMA	23030
12,212.00	Statewide Insurance Fund	23031
52.00	Sussex & Warren Tax Col. Assoc.	23032
60.00	Public Works Assoc. of N.J.	23033
75.00	TCTANJ	23034
175.00	IAAO	23035
390.35	Verizon Wireless	23036
222.65	Accurate Door, Inc.	23037
550.00	Sussex County Chiefs Assoc.	23038
265.35	Medtronic Physio-Contrl Corp.	23039
375.00	Karl's Sales Co.	23040
649.00	Dell Computer Corporation	23041
74.73	Mr. John	23042
704.56	Cooper Electric Supply Co.	23043
24.00	Kenneth Jaekel	23044
200.80	Verizon Cabs	23045
281.44	Kay Printing	23046
2,865.00	Vogel,Chait,Collins,Schneider,PC	23047
190.13	Advance Commercial	23048
266.32	Moore Wallace North America	23049
63.00	International Code Council Inc.	23050
110.00	Newton Municipal Court	23051
17,650.00	Access Control Technology	23052
8,412.00	Spring City Electrical Mfg. Co.	23053

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3,931.20	Motorola c/o Pinnacle Wireless, Inc.	23054
17,151.31	Motorola c/o Pinnacle Wireless, Inc.	23055
144.58	Sparta Stationary	23056
1,320.00	Creative Networking Concepts, Inc.	23057
522.86	Paint Spot	23058
170.00	Tritec Office Equipment Inc.	23059
31.10	AW Direct, Inc.	23060
330.16	Kasler Associates	23061
354.21	Staples Business Advantage	23062
35.00	Gerber Landscaping Services, LLC	23063
72.60	Spectrum Communications	23064
3.93	Easylink Services Corporation	23065
10,440.00	Appraisal Services, Inc.	23066
96.00	CSS Test	23067
13.84	Nestle Waters	23068
24.00	Steve Estler	23069
6.00	Steve Estler	23070
6.00	Roy Leyman	23071
24.00	Roy Leyman	23072
1,950.00	Civil Solutions	23073
5,539.51	Rachles/Michele's Oil Company	23074
6,372.42	Taylor Oil Co.	23075
60.00	NABI	23076
1,350.00	Tri-State Aluminum	23077
25.00	The Craft Creators	23078
1,550.00	Laddy, Clark & Ryan, LLP	23079
6.00	Adam Vough	23080
7.47	Patricia Williams	23081

**CAPITAL**

11,540.03	Harold Pellow & Assoc., Inc.	7089
99.00	Hollander, Hontz, Hinkes,&Pasculli, LLC	7090
1,312.50	Houghton, Quarty, Warr	7091
9,846.50	Tony's Concrete Constr. Co., Inc.	7092
2,330.00	Spring City electrical Mfg. Co.	7093
893.25	Office Furniture	7094
1,153.70	Nelessen, A. & Associates, Inc.	7095
8.90	Paint Spot	7096
69.84	Kasler Associates	7097

Total TOWN BILLS \$161,123.34

**WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT**

**TEMPORARY**

12,164.77	Schmidt's Wholesale, Inc.	9821
8,982.52	Harold Pellow & Assoc., Inc.	9822
7,850.89	Montgomery Watson Harza	9823
49.35	Hach Co.	9824
314.55	CCP Industries	9825
58.50	Lee Company	9826
3,288.34	Pumping Services	9827

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238.50	SCMUA	9828
26.15	Sussex County Plumbing	9829
14.00	Paul Baldwin	9830
6.00	Paul M. Havens	9831
7,783.84	Coyne Chemical Corp., Inc.	9832
119.06	EMBARQ	9833
25.44	EMBARQ	9834
1,797.00	Garden State Laboratories, Inc.	9835
10,600.00	Ferraioli, Cerullo & Cuva	9836
11,654.37	Current Account	9837
11,212.38	Sparta township Tax Collector	9838
588.22	All Quality Contracting	9839
72.98	Energized Chemicals, Inc.	9840
333.36	Dempsey Uniform & Supply, Inc.	9841
273.73	One Call Systems	9842
8,790.00	R & D Trucking Inc.	9843
369.73	Airgas	9844
32.00	Ervin Lasso	9845
1,000.00	Instrumentation Tech Systems, Inc.	9846
1,864.49	Boonton Tire Supply	9847
750.00	Treasurer, State of New Jersey	9848
54,012.00	Statewide Insurance Fund	9849
138.37	JCI, Jones Chemicals, Inc.	9850
280.47	Verizon Wireless	9851
6,732.00	Passaic Valley Sewerage Comm.	9852
1,250.00	John Smalley	9853
325.00	New Jersey Water Association	9854
5,060.88	Suburban Energy Services	9855

**CAPITAL**

38,195.83	Harold Pellow & Associates, Inc.	2069
995.00	McManimon & Scotland	2070
462.49	Scarinci & Hollenbeck, LLC	2071
31,010.68	Underground Utility Corp.	2072
66,803.83	Underground Utility Corp.	2073

Total WATER & SEWER BILLS \$295,526.71

**TRUST ACCOUNT**  
**TEMPORARY**

8,574.71	Harold Pellow & Assoc., Inc.	2468
2,341.57	Harold Pellow & Assoc., Inc.	2469
156.50	Hollander, Hontz, Hinkes & Pasculli, LLC	2470
2,598.02	Weiner Lesniak	2471
935.00	Vogel,Chait,Collins,Schneider,PC	2472

Total TRUST ACCOUNT \$14,605.80

**DOG RESERVE ACCOUNT**  
**TEMPORARY**

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355.00

Munidex

8495

Total DOG RESERVE ACCOUNT \$355.00

The Town Manager requested a resolution for the appointment of Andrew A. Fraser, Esq. as the Town of Newton's Alternate Municipal prosecutor for the Calendar Year 2008.

The following RESOLUTION was offered by Mr. Storm who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Elvidge and roll call resulted as follows:

Mr. Elvidge	Yes	Mr. Diglio	Yes
Mr. Storm	Yes	Mr. Ricciardo	Yes
	Mayor Unhoch	Yes	

**RESOLUTION #10-2008**

**WHEREAS**, Victor R. Jusino, Esq. is currently serving as the town of Newton's Municipal and Prosecutor, has indicated that an Alternate Municipal Prosecutor may be needed by the town of Newton during the calendar year 2008, and

**WHEREAS**, Andrew A. Fraser, Esq. an associate in Mr. Jusino's office has expressed an interest in serving as Newton's Alternate Municipal Prosecutor, and

**WHEREAS**, compensation for said services will be the sole responsibility of Victor R. Jusino, Esq., and

**WHEREAS**, legal services is a professional service as defined by the Local Public Contracts Law and is, therefore, exempt from public bidding requirements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i);

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that it hereby appoints Andrew A. Fraser, Esq. as the Town of Newton's Alternate Municipal Prosecutor for the calendar year 2008.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Andrew A. Fraser, Esq., Victor R. Jusino, Esq., David J. Waver, Sussex County Prosecutor and Municipal Judge John E. Mulhern.

The Clerk presented an Application for an On-Premise Raffle from the Pride Foundation, Inc. 44 Ryerson Avenue, Newton, New Jersey to be held on April 11, 2008, April 12, 2008, and May 29, 2008 at 8:00 p.m. at 44

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Ryerson Avenue, Newton. It was noted that the application was in order and accompanied by the prescribed fee.

Upon motion made by Mr. Diglio, seconded by Mr. Storm and carried that the Governing body has no objection to the issuance of an on-premise raffle to the Pride Foundation, Inc., 44 Ryerson Avenue, Newton on April 11, 12, 2008 and May 29, 2008.

The Clerk presented an application for a Special Permit for Social Affair from the Newton Memorial VFW Post 5360, P.O. Box 125, Newton, New Jersey to be held on July 20, 2008 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Newton Memorial VFW Post 5360, 85 Mill Street, Newton. It was noted that the application was in order, accompanied by the prescribed fee, and signed by the Chief of Police.

Upon motion of Mr. Ricciardo, seconded by Mr. Storm and carried, that the Town Council has no objection to the issuance of a Special Permit for a Social Affair, by the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control to the Newton Memorial VFW Post 5360, Newton, New Jersey for July 20, 2008.

Under Managers reports, Ms. Kithcart introduced new employee, Adam Vough to the position of Laborer in the Department of Public Works, effective December 26, 2007. Ms. Kithcart advised that Adam is a life-long resident of Sussex County and graduated from High Point High School. Ms. Kithcart also advised that Adam is knowledgeable in landscape construction and maintenance.

The Governing Body welcomed Adam and wished him well in his new position.

Ms. Kithcart updated the Governing Body on the Main Street Dedication Ceremony. Ms. Kithcart advised that the Ceremony was a real tribute to Newton and all public officials, volunteers and merchants. Ms.

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Kithcart also advised that Commissioner Doria presented a Certificate at the ceremony and is on display at tonight's meeting.

Ms. Kithcart updated the Governing Body regarding the grand opening of the Performing Arts and Science Center at Sussex County Community College.

Ms. Kithcart updated the Council regarding the Mardi Gras celebration scheduled for February 5, 2008 sponsored by the Greater Newton Chamber of Commerce.

Ms. Kithcart updated the Governing Body regarding the renovations to the Department of Public Works garage roof project as well as the second floor of the Municipal Building.

Ms. Kithcart updated the Council regarding a meeting of the Master Plan Subcommittee this week. Ms. Kithcart indicated that the meeting was very productive regarding the land use portion and advised that the Subcommittee will be meeting again on February 20<sup>th</sup> for a final review for the mapping. Ms. Kithcart also advised that the Planning Board will be continuing the public hearing on the Railroad District Redevelopment Investigation Study on Feb 13<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall.

Ms. Kithcart updated the Council regarding the progress of the Mill Street Water Project.

Ms. Kithcart announced that Morris Lake is 13" below spillway.

Mayor Unhoch declared the meeting open to the public.

Mayor Unhoch welcomed Boy Scout Troop No. 85. The Troop is working on their Citizenship and Community Merit badges.

Mr. George Current, 22 New Hampshire Street, advised that volunteers are needed to help clean up the New Hampshire Street Park. Mr. Diglio suggested that perhaps the Sheriffs Labor Assistance Program

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could be contacted.

There being no one from the public to be heard, upon motion of Mr. Storm, seconded by Mr. Diglio and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine A. Read, RMC  
Municipal Clerk