

May 8, 2023

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Newton was held in person and via Zoom on the above date at 7:00 pm. Present were Mr. Dickson, Mrs. Diglio, Mrs. Le Frois, Deputy Mayor Couce, Mayor Teets, Teresa A. Oswin, Municipal Clerk, and Thomas S. Russo, Jr., Town Manager. Monica B. Miebach, CFO and Eric Bernstein, Esq., Town Attorney were also present.

Mayor Teets led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the Clerk called the roll.

Mayor Teets then made the following declaration "in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this Regular meeting was given to the two newspapers of record and posted on the official bulletin board on January 6, 2023."

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon motion by Mrs. Diglio seconded by Mr. Dickson and carried, the minutes for the April 24, 2023, regular meeting were approved as presented.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

At this time, Mayor Teets 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 take one turn at the microphone and please limit their comments to 3 minutes. The Municipal Clerk will keep time. 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. Council may choose to comment after the entire public portion has concluded. Please identify yourself and spell your last name."*

Mayor Teets opened the meeting to the public.

Helen Heckman came forward. She stated she wanted to mention two (2) things. First, she wanted to give a profound thank you to the entire Council for securing a grant for improvements to the Pine Street park playground. It is an important asset to our community. She is really thankful it will be brought up to speed. Secondly, she wanted to talk about the Dennis Library. She mentioned it in an email and Mr. Russo reached out to the County, and they spoke about it at a meeting almost a month ago. There is \$7 million for the library. She feels as a former English teacher the library is a vital part of the community. The *American with Disabilities Act* says every person should have access to public buildings, they don't because there is not a means of ingress or egress for the handicapped. The County has had the money for a couple of years. There was a grant for \$3.5 million and they had to match the funds which they would from the sale of the Homestead property. That was in 2017, it is now 2023 and nothing has been done. The Commissioners promised they going to have the County Engineer check it out and they were going to take a look at the grant again because they hadn't in a long time. The bottom line is the money is there and the library needs fixing. She will attend the County meeting this Wednesday and ask again about the library. The library really needs work and she wished there was more our Town could do, the upgrades would really make a difference. She would appreciate any encouragement the Council could give the County to make this project happen.



her so much gratitude. She has been by his side ever since he was a fireman. Dan, Danielle, and Harper Finkle. Dan has been his right-hand man, his Deputy and he has been 100% by his side along with his family and he couldn't have done this without him. Thank you Dan. Last but not least, the Town Manager. Ever since he got the job he has been very supportive of him. He stated Mr. Russo had confidence in him not only as Emergency Management Coordinator but also as a police officer. He was probably one of the few that had the confidence in him to be a Sergeant, and hopefully those that didn't have confidence in him were proven wrong. Thank you for all your support of me and my family.

**Councilman Dickson** – offered congratulations to Kenny Teets. He went on to say he couldn't make the ribbon cutting at the college's Culinary School but he believes it was important to mention. It has been a long time coming and will be an asset to the Downtown. He is looking forward to continuing our relationship with the college.

**Councilwoman Diglio** – offered congratulations to Kenny Teets. He has been a good friend and a good neighbor. She wanted to remind everyone the Memorial Day parade will be on May 29<sup>th</sup>, on Spring Street at 10 am followed by the Memorial Service at Memory Park at 11 am.

**Councilwoman Le Frois** – started by congratulating Sgt. Teets on all his years of service to the Town. In response to Mrs. Heckman, she offered thanks for carrying the flag, so to speak for the Dennis Library. She was part of many conversations in 2017, 2018, and 2019 when funding became available, and she attended the community meetings. She was able to see the plans for the expansion. It will be a fully accessible building offering a fantastic place to serve our seniors. Again, thank you to Mrs. Heckman for bringing the matter to the forefront and following up with the County. Every Sunday in April Planet Networks was at Walmart doing collections for the Weekend Bag Program. Thank you to Planet Networks for their support of this program. On April 19<sup>th</sup> Newton Medical Center and Hackettstown Medical Center held their annual Wine & Roses event at Perona Farms. It was great to see so many Newton people there supporting the hospital and its efforts. On April 20<sup>th</sup> the Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice Gala was held. Newton resident Dr. Robertozzi and the Cable Family were honored. It should be noted in the past five (5) years Thorlabs has donated or reinvested \$5 million in the local community and non-profit organizations in mostly Sussex County and northern New Jersey. That is a significant investment in the community. A few days later, she along with the Mayor and Mr. Russo attended the ribbon cutting at the SCCC Culinary Institute. There were lots of great accolades from the speakers for Newton. The TAPinto article stated the project would not be in existence without the support of Newton. It was great to be acknowledged. It is a true "PPP" public-private partnership with a lot of continued potential. She looks forward to *The Arbor* restaurant opening this fall. On May 3<sup>rd</sup> the Newton Police Department led a *Walk to School* day. Chief Van Nieuwland along with several officers participated. She participated part of the way. Lots of parents accompanied their kids, it was great to see. The route started here at Town Hall, then they walked to Halsted School and then walked over to Merriam Avenue School. On the same day she attended the Sussex County Boys Scouts of America Patriots Path Council's *Tribute to Women*

awards luncheon. This is an annual event held at the Sparta Country Club. This year the Lifetime Achievement Award was given to Julia Quinlan. Five (5) other women in Sussex County were also acknowledged. Yesterday, she attended the Mental Health Association for Essex, Morris, Passaic, and Sussex Counties annual *Spring Garden Gala* highlighting mental health and suicide awareness. As reported in TAPinto, May 13<sup>th</sup> the National Association of Letter Carriers is participating in the *Stamp out Hunger* event by collecting non-perishable items which can be placed in a bag by your mailbox for collection. Donations will go to local food pantries. Lastly, she would like to wish all maternal figures a Happy Mother's Day this weekend.

**Deputy Mayor Couce** – started by offering well wishes to Sgt. Teets on his retirement. You have been there as long as he has been involved in emergency services in the Town. Your mark on the Town as the “*whisperer*” to certain residents does not go unnoticed and you will be sorely missed. To Mrs. Heckman, he is unable to attend the Commissioner's meeting tomorrow night but suggests she ask them if the ownership of the library has been transferred from the Newton Library Association to the County. Also, does the Newton Library Association serve any function or any connection to the library. There may be grant opportunities available through a public-private partnership for the Newton Library Association to subsidize the budget shortfall that exists for that project. Additionally, part of the project is for the library to serve as a true warming center/shelter and there may be funding available through Homeland Security or FEMA to help fund this project. She is not wrong in saying it is a vital entity for the Town and she is very curious to know if they are looking at other alternatives for funding.

**Mayor Teets** – she thanked the Town Manager, his staff, and Deputy Mayor Couce for participating in the scaled down *Neighbors Helping Neighbors* event. She looks forward to participating in the fall. She saw lots of good pictures. She thanked Mrs. Heckman for talking about the Pine Street park. She is excited the parks are getting cleaned up. Kudos to Tom and his staff for making them look so great. She attended the SCCC Culinary Institute event, looking forward to supporting the restaurant. Happy Mother's Day to everyone and Happy Graduation to the college seniors.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None.

**ORDINANCES**

Mayor Teets read aloud the following Ordinance relative to final adoption.

**ORDINANCE 2023-9**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$160,000 FOR THE INSTALLATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS AND ALL ASSOCIATED COSTS ALONG MILL STREET IN AND BY THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$152,350 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION**

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 of this Bond Ordinance (the "Improvement") is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Newton, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey (the "Town") as a general improvement. For the said Improvement there is hereby appropriated the amount of \$160,000, such sum includes \$7,650 from the capital improvement fund as the down payment (the "Down Payment") required by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law").

SECTION 2:

In order to finance the additional cost of the Improvement not covered by application of the Down Payment, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$152,350 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bonds"). In anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds and to temporarily finance said Improvement or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not exceeding \$152,350 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bond Anticipation Notes" or "Notes").

SECTION 3:

(a) The Improvements authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is for the installation and reconstruction of sidewalks along Mill Street, including signs, curbs, ADA ramps, a new wall, guide rails, and related materials, and including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, and as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications on file with the Municipal Clerk. This Bond Ordinance supplements Bond Ordinance #2020-9 which appropriated \$500,000 for the Improvements.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of Bonds or Notes to be issued for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost of the Improvement is \$152,350.

(c) The estimated cost of the Improvement is \$160,000 which amount represents the initial appropriation made by the Town.

SECTION 4:

All Bond Anticipation Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the municipal finance officer of the Town (the "Chief Financial Officer"); provided that no Note shall mature later than one year from its date. The 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 Notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of Section 8(a) of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the 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 Town Council of the Town at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 5:

The capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey is on file with the Municipal Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 6:

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

(a) The Improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a capital improvement or property the Town may lawfully make or acquire as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the Improvement, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, taking into consideration the respective amounts of all obligations authorized for such purpose, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the Bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance, is ten (10) years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such statement shows 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 \$152,350 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$30,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost of the Improvements, as indicated herein.

SECTION 7:

Any funds or grant monies received for the purpose described in Section 3 of this Ordinance shall be used for financing said Improvement by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said Improvement or to the payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Town authorized therefor by this Bond Ordinance. Any such funds received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said Improvement shall, be held and applied by the Town as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Town authorized by this Bond Ordinance.

SECTION 8:

The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and 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 property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

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:

This Bond Ordinance constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Town reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvement prior to the date that Town incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Town under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the cost of the Improvement is \$152,350.

SECTION 11:

This Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Mayor Teets opened the meeting to the public.

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

The aforementioned **ORDINANCE** was offered by Mr. Dickson who moved its adoption, seconded by Mrs. Le Frois, and roll call resulted as follows:

Deputy Mayor Couce	Yes	Mr. Dickson	Yes
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Yes	

Mayor Teets read aloud the following Ordinance relative to final adoption.

**ORDINANCE 2023-10**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$100,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR PINE STREET PARK IN AND BY THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$25,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION**

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 of this Bond Ordinance (the "Improvement") is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Newton, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey (the "Town") as a general improvement. For the said Improvement there is hereby appropriated the amount of \$100,000, such sum includes the sum of \$75,000 expected to be received as a Local Recreation Improvement Grant from the Department of Community Affairs. No down payment is required by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law") as the purpose authorized herein involve a project funded by a Local Recreation Improvement Grant from the Department of Community Affairs as permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11c.

SECTION 2:

In order to finance the additional cost of the Improvement, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$25,000 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bonds"). In anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds and to temporarily finance said Improvement or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount

not exceeding \$25,000 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bond Anticipation Notes" or "Notes").

SECTION 3:

(a) The Improvements authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is for the acquisition and installation of accessible playground equipment at Pine Street Park, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, and as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications on file with the Municipal Clerk.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of Bonds or Notes to be issued for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost of the Improvement is \$25,000.

(c) The estimated cost of the Improvement is \$100,000 which amount represents the initial appropriation made by the Town.

SECTION 4:

All Bond Anticipation Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the municipal finance officer of the Town (the "Chief Financial Officer"); provided that no Note shall mature later than one year from its date. The 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 Notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of Section 8(a) of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the 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 Town Council of the Town at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 5:

The capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey is on file with the Municipal Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 6:

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

(a) The Improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a capital improvement or property the Town may lawfully make or acquire as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the Improvement, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, taking into consideration the respective amounts of all obligations authorized for such purpose, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the Bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance, is fifteen (15) years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such statement shows 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 \$25,000 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$5,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost of the Improvements, as indicated herein.

SECTION 7:

Any funds or grant monies received for the purpose described in Section 3 of this Ordinance shall be used for financing said Improvement by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said Improvement or to the payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Town authorized therefor by this Bond Ordinance. Any such funds received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said Improvement shall, be held and applied by the Town as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Town authorized by this Bond Ordinance.

SECTION 8:

The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and 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 property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

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:

This Bond Ordinance constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Town reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvement prior to the date that Town incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Town under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the cost of the Improvement is \$25,000.

SECTION 11:

This Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

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

The aforementioned **ORDINANCE** was offered by Mrs. Le Frois who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Dickson, and roll call resulted as follows:

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Deputy Mayor Couce	Yes	Mr. Dickson	Yes
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Yes	

Mayor Teets read aloud the following Ordinance relative to adoption.

**ORDINANCE 2023-11**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$3,465,000 FOR VARIOUS SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,465,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION**

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 of this Bond Ordinance (the "Improvement") is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Newton, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey (the "Town") as a general improvement. For the said Improvement there is hereby appropriated the amount of \$3,465,000. No down payments is required by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law") 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, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$3,465,000 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bonds"). In anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds and to temporarily finance said Improvement or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not exceeding \$3,465,000 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the "Bond Anticipation Notes" or "Notes").

SECTION 3:

(a) The Improvements authorized and the purposes for which obligations are to be issued are as follows:

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Improvements	Appropriation and Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes	Period of Useful Life
(1) Sewer line improvements, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file in the Office of Engineering.	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	40 Years
(2) Combination of two pump stations, Sussex Street and Merriam Avenue, relocated to and constructed at Merriam Avenue, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file in the Office of Engineering.	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000	40 Years
(3) Chemical room upgrades at the Sewer Treatment Plant, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file in the Office of Engineering.	\$375,000	\$375,000	40 Years
(4) Tertiary (sand) automatic backwash filter renovation, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file in the Office of Engineering.	\$650,000	\$650,000	40 Years
(5) Replacement of the main electrical switch and transfer switch at the Sewer Treatment Plant, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file in the Office of Engineering.	\$140,000	\$140,000	40 Years
<b>TOTAL ALL PURPOSES</b>	<b>\$3,465,000</b>	<b>\$3,465,000</b>	

(b) The estimated maximum amount of Bonds or Notes to be issued for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost of the Improvement is \$3,465,000.

(c) The estimated cost of the Improvement is \$3,465,000 which amount represents the initial appropriation made by the Town.

SECTION 4:

All Bond Anticipation Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the municipal finance officer of the Town (the "Chief Financial Officer"); provided that no Note shall mature later than one year from its date. The 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 Notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to

the provisions of Section 8(a) of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the 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 Town Council of the Town at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 5:

The capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey is on file with the Municipal Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 6:

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

(a) The Improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a capital improvement or property that the Town may lawfully make or acquire as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the Improvement, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, taking into consideration the respective amounts of all obligations authorized for such purpose, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the Bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance, is forty (40) years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, 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 \$3,465,000 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$850,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost of the Improvements, as indicated 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:

Any funds or grant monies received for the purpose described in Section 3 of this Ordinance shall be used for financing said Improvement by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said Improvement or to the payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Town authorized therefor by this Bond Ordinance. Any such funds received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said Improvement shall, be held and applied by the Town as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Town authorized by this Bond Ordinance.

SECTION 8:

The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and 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 property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

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:

This Bond Ordinance constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Town reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvement prior to the date that Town incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Town under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the cost of the Improvement is \$3,465,000.

SECTION 11:

This Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Mayor Teets opened the meeting to the public.

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

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

Deputy Mayor Couce	No	Mr. Dickson	Yes
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Yes	

Mayor Teets read aloud the following Ordinance relative to introduction.

**ORDINANCE 2023-12**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FUNDING FOR AN ELECTRICAL POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM STUDY OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FACILITIES FOR THE TOWN OF NEWTON AND APPROPRIATING \$70,000 FOR SUCH PURPOSE**

May 8, 2023

The aforementioned **ORDINANCE** was offered by Mrs. Le Frois who moved its introduction, seconded by Mr. Dickson, and roll call resulted as follows:

Deputy Mayor Couce	Yes	Mr. Dickson	Yes
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Yes	

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the above Ordinance be introduced for the first reading, with a hearing on the same to be held on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Teets read aloud the following Ordinance relative to introduction.

**ORDINANCE 2023-13**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$195,000 FOR THE MILLING AND PAVING OF NEW HAMPSHIRE STREET, INCLUDING A GUIDE RAIL AND ADA RAMPS FOR DILLER AVENUE IN AND BY THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$185,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION**

The aforementioned **ORDINANCE** was offered by Mrs. Le Frois who moved its introduction, seconded by Mr. Couce, and roll call resulted as follows:

Deputy Mayor Couce	Yes	Mr. Dickson	Yes
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Yes	

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the above Ordinance be introduced for the first reading, with a hearing on the same to be held on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

**ORDINANCE 2023-14**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FUNDING FOR WATER AND SEWER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE STREET FOR THE TOWN OF NEWTON AND APPROPRIATING \$400,000 FOR SUCH PURPOSE**

The aforementioned **ORDINANCE** was offered by Mrs. Diglio who moved its introduction, seconded by Mr. Dickson, and roll call resulted as follows:

Deputy Mayor Couce	Yes	Mr. Dickson	Yes
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Yes	

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the above Ordinance be introduced for the first reading, with a hearing on the same to be held on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Teets 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 then reviewed the consent agenda items.

Mayor Teets asked if any member of the Council would like to pull a Resolution for discussion.

**RESOLUTION #144-2023\***

**“Issuance of Estimated 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Tax Bills”**

**WHEREAS**, due to the late adoption of the 2023 County of Sussex Budget, the Sussex County Board of Taxation is unable to certify tax rates prior to June 14 for the year 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, without a 2023 certified tax rate the Tax Collector of the Town of Newton will be unable to issue 2023 tax bills on a timely basis; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Chapter 72, P.L. 1994, the Mayor and Town Council requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the 2023 estimated tax levy exceeding 105% of the previous year's tax levy. Approval will enable the Town of Newton to meet its financial obligations, maintain the tax collection rate, and provide uniformity for tax payments and save the necessary cost of interest expense on borrowing;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Tax Collector shall proceed upon approval from the Director and take such actions as are permitted and required by Chapter 72, Public Laws of 1994 and N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 and 54:4-66.3. The entire estimated tax levy for 2023 is hereby set at \$28,274,966.00. The estimated tax rate for 2023 is hereby set at \$4.6314; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Town Council of the Town of Newton confirms and acknowledges the Tax Collector of the Town of Newton is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue estimated tax bills for the Town of Newton for the 3<sup>rd</sup> installment of 2023.

**RESOLUTION #145-2023\***

**“Authorizing Purchase of Chevrolet Tahoe Police Pursuit Vehicles Through New Jersey State Contract Purchasing and Property 21-FLEET-01485”**

**WHEREAS**, a need exists for the acquisition of four (4) 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe Police Pursuit rated vehicles for the daily operations of the Newton Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Newton may, without advertising for bids, purchase such materials through the New Jersey State Purchase and Property State Contract 21-FLEET-01485 through Gentilini Motors, 2703 Fire Rd., Egg Harbor Township NJ 08234, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 et. Seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, under the State Contract Award, the Vendors contained therein may participate in said purchases under State Contract as approved by the Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

**WHEREAS**, the Newton Police Department has received quotes under State Contract for the following vehicles:

Four (4) 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV 4x4 9C1 Police Patrol vehicles and accessories

at the following amounts:

1. Vehicle 1	\$52,032.78
2. Vehicle 2	\$58,615.43
3. Vehicle 3	\$52,615.68
4. Vehicle 4	\$52,032.78
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$215,296.67</b>

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer certifies funds are available within the 2023 General Capital Budget in the amount of \$215,296.67 from:

Ordinance 2023-7 Police SUV's

Account #30923079

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Newton Town Council that it authorizes, without bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-12, State Contract 21-FLEET-01485 through Gentilini Motors, 2703 Fire Rd., Egg Harbor Township NJ 08234 for the supply of four (4) 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe Pursuit Rated vehicles and accessories in the amount of \$215,296.67 as approved by the Qualified Purchasing Agent in accordance with the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A.40A:11-1 et. Seq.

**RESOLUTION #146-2023\***

**“Authorize the Award of a Required Disclosure Contract for Convergent Technologies Inc.”**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Newton has a need to maintain and upgrade access and security systems through Convergent Technologies Inc., 429 Getty Avenue, Clifton, N.J. 07011, as a required disclosure contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, Sean Canning, Q.P.A., of the Canning Group, LLC, the Town of Newton's Qualified Purchasing Agent, has determined and certified in writing the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated term of this contract is for the 2023 year; and

**WHEREAS**, Convergent Technologies Inc., 429 Getty Avenue, Clifton, N.J. 07011, has submitted a proposal indicating they will provide the services for \$22,944.00, in addition to support per hour rates outside of the scope of proposal exceeding in aggregate the pay-to-play threshold of \$17,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Convergent Technologies Inc., 429 Getty Avenue, Clifton, N.J. 07011, has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification and Political Disclosure Contribution form, which certifies Convergent Technologies Inc., 429 Getty Avenue, Clifton, N.J. 07011 has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Town of Newton in the previous one (1) year, and that the contract will prohibit Convergent Technologies Inc., 429 Getty Avenue, Clifton, N.J. 07011 from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer as required by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.1 et seq., hereby certifies that subject to the Governing Body appropriating sufficient funds in the 2023 budget, funds NOT TO EXCEED \$22,944.00 will be encumbered as follows:

**2023 CURRENT BUDGET – Cencom OE – Contractual #1074317**

*“The maximum dollar value is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods or services required over the contract term, and the Town of Newton is not obligated to spend that amount.”*

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Council of the Town of Newton authorizes the Town Manager to enter into a contract with Convergent Technologies Inc., 429 Getty Avenue, Clifton, N.J. 07011 not to exceed \$22,944.00 for the 2023 calendar year; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Business Disclosure Entity Certification, Political Contribution Disclosure, and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution.

**RESOLUTION #147-2023\***

**“Approve the Application for a New Jersey Department of Community Affairs NPP-ARP Grant to be Used Towards the Restoration of the Newton Fire Museum”**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Newton (“Council”) has been notified of the State Fiscal Year 2023 Neighborhood Preservation Program – American Rescue Plan (NPP-ARP) Grant, which includes \$2,500,000 of funding to mitigate and enhance vacant and abandoned properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for \$700,000 to carry out a project to restore the Newton Fire Museum which will cost approximately \$770,000, the remainder to be matched by the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council recognizes and accepts that the DCA may offer a lesser amount of grant funding and therefore, upon receipt of the Grant Agreement from the DCA, and any amendments thereto, does further authorize the execution of any such Grant Agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed Agreement, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the Agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

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**(signature)**

Thomas S. Russo, Jr., MPA, CPM, PLC  
Town Manager

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**(signature)**

Teresa A. Oswin, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION #148-2023\***

**“Refund of Redemption Monies to Outside Lien Holder for Block 5.05, Lot 12, Also Known As 18 Clinton Street”**

**WHEREAS**, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on October 5, 2022, a lien was sold on Block 5.05, Lot 12, also known as 18 Clinton Street, for 2021 delinquent utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2022-004 was sold to Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty for a 0% redemption fee and a premium in the amount of \$1,900.00; and

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the owner, Ras Citron, Esq. has affected the redemption of Certificate #2022-004 in the amount of \$2,914.56;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body acknowledges Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty is entitled to a redemption in the amount of \$2,914.56 as well as the return of the premium in the amount of \$1,900.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Town Council of the Town of Newton confirms and acknowledges the Tax Collector shall issue a check, in the amount of \$2,914.56 for the redemption and a check in the amount of \$1,900.00 for the return of the premium for Certificate #2022-004 to Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty, PO Box 12225, Newark, NJ 07101.

**RESOLUTION #149-2023\***

**“Statement of Intent for the Town of Newton to Pursue Plan Endorsement Renewal and Authorization to Submit Renewal Statement to the Office of Planning Advocacy”**

**WHEREAS**, the State Planning Act recognizes New Jersey requires sound and integrated land use planning and coordination of planning at all levels of government in order to conserve the State's natural resources, revitalize the urban centers, protect the quality of the environment, and provide needed housing and adequate public services at a reasonable cost while promoting beneficial economic growth, development, and renewal; and

**WHEREAS**, Plan Endorsement is a voluntary review process developed by the State Planning Commission to provide the technical assistance and coordination of the State for municipalities, counties, and regional agencies to meet the goals of the State Planning Act and State Development and Redevelopment Plan (State Plan); and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Plan Endorsement process is to increase the degree of consistency among municipal, county, regional, and State agency plans with each other and with the State Plan and to facilitate the implementation of these plans and guide where and how development and redevelopment can be accommodated in accordance with the State Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines incorporate, and expand upon, the principles of the Municipal Land Use Law in order to help towns plan for a sustainable future; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Newton is seeking renewal of its Plan Endorsement and Regional Center Designation, which was received on May 15, 2013 and is set to expire on May 17, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines require the preparation and submission of a Plan Endorsement Renewal Statement and associated documentation as the means by which a municipality assesses the consistency of its existing community vision and planning documents with the State Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Newton desire to renew Plan Endorsement from the State Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Newton has prepared a Plan Endorsement Renewal Statement pursuant to the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of Town of Newton hereby expressly state the intention of the Town of Newton to pursue Plan Endorsement by the State Planning Commission; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Newton approves the Plan Endorsement Renewal Statement and authorizes it be submitted to the Office for Planning Advocacy for consideration and review as part of the effort to pursue Plan Endorsement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of the Town of Newton shall transmit a copy of this Resolution and the Notice as required by the State Planning Rules to the State Planning Commission and the Office for Planning Advocacy.

**RESOLUTION #150-2023\***

**“Revision to Refund of Redemption Monies to Outside Lien Holder for Block 7.12, Lot 34, Also Known As 3 Foster Street”**

**WHEREAS**, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on October 5, 2022, a lien was sold on Block 7.12, Lot 34, also known as 3 Foster Street, Newton, NJ, for 2021 delinquent utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2022-008 was sold to Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty for a 0% redemption fee and a premium in the amount of \$1,800.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the owner had affected the redemption of Certificate #2022-008 and this redemption was approved at the November 14, 2022 meeting per Resolution #251-2022; and

**WHEREAS**, Fig 20, LLC Sec Pty, the lienholder, did not follow State Statute and have the certificate recorded at the Sussex County Clerk’s Office, therefore they are not entitled to the \$50.00 recording fee resulting in the reduction of the redemption total;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body acknowledges Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty is now entitled to a redemption in the amount of \$323.97 as well as the return of the premium in the amount of \$1,800.00 and the owner is entitled to a \$50.00 refund; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Council of the Town of Newton confirms and acknowledges the Tax Collector shall issue a check, in the amount of \$323.97 for the redemption, a check in the amount of \$1,800.00 for the return of the premium for Certificate #2022-008 to Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty, PO Box 12225, Newark, NJ 07101, and a check to the owner in the amount of \$50.00.

**RESOLUTION #151-2023\***

**“Concur with the Town Manager’s Appointment of Christine Lemke as School Crossing Guard for the 2022-2023 School Year”**

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey Statute 40A:9-154.1 states *“The governing body, or the chief executive, or the chief administrative officer, as appropriate to the form of government of any municipality, may appoint adult school crossing guards for terms not exceeding one year...”*;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that this Governing Body concurs with the Town Manager’s appointment of Christine Lemke as School Crossing Guard for the 2022-2023 school year.

**RESOLUTION #152-2023\***

**“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 2022 and 2023 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.

**List of Bills - CLEARING/CLAIMS**

Check#	Vendor#	Name	Check Total
8218	2799 -	AFLAC .....	2,313.26
8219	3897 -	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES .....	2,032.58
8220	3897 -	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES .....	444.03
8221	3869 -	AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE .....	562.22
8222	3868 -	AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE COMPANY .....	670.82
8223	4691 -	ANDOVER REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION .....	335.00
8224	3251 -	BADGER METER, INC. ....	192.29
8225	2429 -	BLACK LAGOON INC. ....	2,500.00
8226	1132 -	BOONTON TIRE SUPPLY INC. ....	85.28
8227	3355 -	BRAEN STONE SPARTA .....	14.32
8228	300 -	BRIGHTSPEED .....	125.85
8229	3353 -	BURLINGTON CNTY MUNIC COURT ASSOC .....	250.00
8230	702 -	C W A LOCAL 1032 .....	280.33
8231	3893 -	CAMPBELL SUPPLY OF SUSSEX CTY LLC .....	28.98

8232	192 -	CAMPBELL'S SMALL ENGINE INC. ....	259.44
8233	77 -	CCP INDUSTRIES, INC. ....	962.47
8234	3770 -	CINTAS .....	180.00
8235	176 -	COUNTY OF SUSSEX .....	926,819.35
8236	178 -	COUNTY OF SUSSEX .....	67,252.00
8237	1425 -	COUNTY OF SUSSEX .....	3,673.09
8238	155 -	COYNE CHEMICAL CORP., INC. ....	5,581.30
8239	4500 -	CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN SPRINGS .....	122.99
8240	768 -	DEMPSEY UNIFORM & SUPPLY INC .....	1,794.71
8241	2386 -	DOMINICK'S PIZZA .....	142.70
8242	4436 -	EDIBLE JERSEY LLC.....	1,560.00
8243	4355 -	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY .....	2,087.00
8244	1707 -	FINKLE, DANIEL .....	101.00
8245	1880 -	FIRE & SAFETY SERVICES, LTD., INC .....	1,725.20
8246	71 -	FISHER SCIENTIFIC .....	863.97
8247	2319 -	FRANKLIN SUSSEX AUTO BODY, INC. ....	2,608.31
8248	200 -	GARDEN STATE LABORATORIES INC .....	4,502.00
8249	4398 -	GLOBAL RECYCLING SOLUTIONS LLC .....	1,289.76
8250	1608 -	GOLD TYPE BUSINESS MACHINES .....	2,100.00
8251	3550 -	GREEN TOWNSHIP .....	348.80
8252	2831 -	HAMPTON RV SALES, INC. ....	139.80
8253	230 -	HAYEK'S MARKET INC. ....	234.82
8254	3876 -	HOLLAND COMPANY, INC .....	11,482.81
8255	4679 -	HOLMES JAMES .....	75.00
8256	1866 -	HOME DEPOT, INC. ....	1,072.16
8257	3584 -	Hunterdon County Poly Tech .....	1,200.00
8258	4687 -	INTERNATIONAL FIREWORKS MANUFACTURING CO .....	3,500.00
8259	332 -	J & D SALES & SERVICE,LLC.....	225.00
8260	3235 -	J. CALDWELL & ASSOCIATES, LLC .....	130.00
8261	1271 -	JCI JONES CHEMICALS, INC .....	2,484.18
8262	113 -	JCP&L .....	7,032.60
8263	4684 -	JPS INTEROPERABILITY SOLUTIONS, INC. ....	3,145.00
8264	3711 -	KKPR MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS.....	960.44
8265	4356 -	LENOVO .....	582.71
8266	391 -	LOU'S GLASS .....	140.00
8267	3792 -	MACKENZIE AUTOMATIC DOORS .....	1,278.00
8268	1566 -	MAIN POOL & CHEMICAL COMPANY, INC.....	4,092.00
8269	496 -	MICROSYSTEMS-NJ COM, LLC. ....	3,315.47
8270	4381 -	MID-AMERICAN ELEVATOR CO., INC. ....	495.00
8271	1741 -	MORRIS COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY .....	50.00
8272	700 -	NEWTON PATROLMANS ASSOCIATION .....	780.00
8273	3979 -	NEWTON PIZZA .....	42.85
8274	1745 -	NEWTON SUPERIOR OFFICERS .....	420.00
8275	4689 -	NJJOC .....	250.00
8276	2835 -	NJMEBF .....	203,551.00
8277	4681 -	NORTHEAST COMMUNICAITONS INC. ....	169.92
8278	3982 -	NRAAO .....	40.00
8279	4639 -	OLMSTED MURAL GROUP .....	10,968.75
8280	2216 -	PALL CORPORATION .....	99,870.79
8281	4656 -	PAULUS, SOKOLOWSKI & SARTOR LLC .....	8,240.00
8282	4204 -	PLANET NETWORKS INC. ....	4,725.72
8283	4683 -	PRIORITY OF LIFE TRAINING & CONSULTING .....	185.00
8284	4514 -	PROHOOD CLEANING .....	300.00
8285	39 -	QUILL CORPORATION .....	240.98
8286	2478 -	RACHLES/MICHELE'S OIL COMPANY, INC. ....	8,373.80
8287	4203 -	RAPID PUMP PO 63382 .....	15,248.77
8288	4134 -	RAVE WIRELESS, INC. ....	2,675.00
8289	4425 -	Reliance Standard Life Insurance Co .....	400.16
8290	4541 -	REVCORD .....	6,065.00
8291	1872 -	RR DONNELLEY .....	198.00
8292	1755 -	S/NJ TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY .....	45.00
8293	3660 -	SCHENCK, PRICE, SMITH, & KING, LLP .....	1,753.66
8294	2301 -	SCREEN CREATION PLUS .....	306.00
8295	611 -	SEBRING AUTO PARTS, INC. ....	384.78

8296	4671 -	SENTRY EQUIPMENT CORP. ....	196.10
8297	4370 -	SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP .....	1,008.11
8298	4155 -	SIERRAZULU LLC aka SZ LLC .....	2,000.00
8299	718 -	STAMP FULFILLMENT .....	4,517.80
8300	2257 -	STAPLES .....	171.99
8301	1982 -	State of NJ, DCA ELSA .....	258.00
8302	1212 -	STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND .....	139,964.87
8303	556 -	SUSSEX COUNTY ASSESSORS ASSOC. ....	100.00
8304	4688 -	SUSSEX COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY .....	5,000.00
8305	1453 -	SUSSEX COUNTY LOCK & SAFE, .....	1,485.00
8306	130 -	SUSSEX COUNTY P & H, INC .....	208.09
8307	4028 -	SUSSEX COUNTY TECH SCHOOL .....	50.00
8308	2479 -	TAYLOR OIL CO., INC. ....	3,037.13
8309	4278 -	TEXAS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY .....	35.45
8310	676 -	THE EQUITABLE .....	5,790.00
8311	2675 -	TIRE KING, INC. ....	615.00
8312	1971 -	TOWN OF NEWTON .....	85.12
8313	2880 -	TRACTOR SUPPLY .....	45.98
8314	691 -	TRANS WORLD ASSURANCE CO. ....	400.00
8315	293 -	TREASURER, PETTY CASH FUND .....	150.00
8316	4437 -	UNITED RENTALS (NORTH AMERICA) INC. ....	300.00
8317	1469 -	UNIVERSAL SUPPLY GROUP INC. ....	55.90
8318	1257 -	UNUM LIFE/DISABILITY INSUR .....	758.92
8319	2716 -	UPSEU LOCAL 424J .....	756.00
8320	2635 -	W.B. MASON, INC. ....	215.86
8321	633 -	WEIS MARKETS, INC. ....	121.19
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1,608,005.73</b>

Mrs. Le Frois made a motion to approve the **COMBINED ACTION RESOLUTIONS**, it was seconded by Mrs. Diglio and roll call resulted as follows:

Deputy Mayor Couce	Yes	Mr. Dickson	Yes
(Abstain on check #8282)			
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Yes	

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Teets opened the meeting to the public.

There being no one wishing to speak either in person or on Zoom, Mayor Teets closed the hearing.

**COUNCIL MANAGER COMMENTS**

Mrs. Diglio wished all the Mom's and maternal figures a Happy Mother's Day this weekend.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be conducted, upon motion of Mrs. Le Frois seconded by Mr. Couce and unanimously carried, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa A. Oswin, RMC  
Municipal Clerk