

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 Deputy Mayor Couce, 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. Mrs. Le Frois attended via Zoom and Mayor Teets was excused.

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

Deputy Mayor Couce 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 all those present voting yes, the minutes for the June 26, 2023, regular meeting were approved as presented. Mrs. Diglio abstained.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

At this time, Deputy Mayor Couce 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."

Deputy Mayor Couce opened the meeting to the public.

Wayne McCabe, 125 High Street came forth and stated he raised an issue with the demolition done at 75 High Street at a previous meeting. He hasn't heard anything on the matter, and he would like to know where the Town stands. Also, he submitted an application to be an alternate member of the Historic Preservation Committee. His credentials are well known. He knows we interview everyone that submits an application, and he would like to schedule an interview for the next meeting date of August 21st.

Blake Panio, 128 Main Street stated he is concerned his complaints about 122-124 Main Street are not being heard. Has a decision been made on the property that the neighbors haven't been made aware of? It is a strange place to put a building, it's like playing a game of Tetris. He is concerned with tax reassessment. His property is going to be reassessed. He would not be able to sell his property because of the reassessment and because of the building next door to him. He feels the Town is fixing his property's selling price. He has the article to share, he took pictures of his property and put notes on it for how it looks before and what it will look like after. The property is going before the Historic Commission on July 24th and the Planning Board on July 19th. Has the decision on the apartment building already been made?

Ferity Fox, 115 Main Street stated she was upset about the apartments at 122-124 Main Street because it brings in a transient group. She has noticed people pulling into

that parking lot, instead of going out the exit they are backing up onto Dunn Pl. She is requesting a Traffic Study be done for Dunn Place. At the last Planning Board meeting the Chairman said there would be a condition that work should not be started before 8:00 am and to provide a port-a-john because they are urinating on Blake's lawn. When she spoke to Kerry Brown she stated since the application was not approved the conditions are not enforceable. She doesn't understand why. She is disheartened. She is very upset about the building because of the architecture. She hopes they don't approve the building.

Walter Theis, 1 Trinity Street stated he is not a spokesperson for his building, but he is pleased to see the Council is taking action to put in place a curfew. The Manager of his building is taking steps to make it harder to enter the building and for it to be more secure. Hopefully this will serve as a deterrent to mischievous behavior. He feels it is a step in the right direction.

Matthew Kuever read the following statement: *"I am Matthew Kuever from 3 Dunn Place, aka 1770 House. Mounted on the stone front of our home which overlooks 122-124 Main St. is a bronze plaque, placed in 1961 by the Chinkchewunskas Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution. It states, "Rectory of Christ Church Erected 1770 on tract of 27 acres. Home of first Rector, Rev. Uzal Ogden, Jr. Classical School By Rev. Clarkson Dunn, 1825. Private residence since sale by Church, 1868. Is undoubtedly the oldest building in Newton." The Newton Town Council designated the house a historical landmark in 2015.*

In 2017, we bought this home, so authentically restored by prominent businessman and historian Charles Tice, after months of serious consideration of what it would mean taking on stewardship of the "oldest building in Newton". We were made aware of Historic District rules and told by the realtor that this was the most desirable neighborhood in Town. Up until now, it has been great. We never had a problem with the office tenants in 122-124 Main Street or the building owners. The buildings were quiet and dark at night and the parking lot empty. We picked up the rental of their one car garage, adjacent to our yard, as Mr. Tice had rented it for the past 50 years.

We began to worry when Sussex Realty Investments, LLC bought the property. As it turns out, we were not invited to any of the initial Town Council, Planning Council or Historic Council meetings that were being held because the changes were deemed MINOR. I think our Historic Preservation Advisory Commission really missed something on this one. Demolishing the connecting structure, all chimneys, slate roof, shutters, windows, digging up the front yards and completely gutting the insides of both houses has not been minor. Replacement materials are not following Historic Guidelines.

We have invested our own life savings to live in this "protected" historic district, and we do not turn any financial profit. The huge loss of historic charm that has happened here has had a very negative impact on our enjoyment of our own property, and will continue to do so. We believe there will be a negative impact on our house value and property taxes as well. We are concerned about the congestion and turnover of tenants, cars, noise, pets and light pollution from 122-124 Main around our home and property. This problem will become especially upsetting if you approve the new construction that will double the size of 124, the brick house. The main problem is not the dumpster location or squeezing in more parking spaces (which will not be enough for the amount of ACTUAL cars), or even the intrusive lighting. Clearly the investors are trying to pile in as many tenants as they can even if it means overpopulating the property. It is inappropriate for the neighborhood and frankly, a disservice and discouraging to those of us owners who do follow the Historic District rules.

We are respectfully requesting you to continue to deny the application for building 4 new apartments. Regarding Criteria for Granting C Bulk Variances A: I do not believe that Sussex Realty Investments needs to build an addition. They knew what they were buying into, just as we all in this district did. A 4 unit addition doubling the size of a house

in the oldest section of town is not adding positively to the historic neighborhood. Without the addition, there will be ample parking, outdoor space for tenants to use (instead of congregating in the parking lot).

Regarding Criteria for Granting C Bulk Variances B: The original project approved for 124 is complete. Who other than the Applicant would possibly benefit from forcing another building of 4 apartments on the lot?

Please protect the Historic District, now and in the future. Thank you for your consideration."

Deputy Mayor Couce asked if anyone on Zoom would like to speak, they should use the raised hand feature.

Dr. Ludmilla Mecaj, 9 Madison Street stated she made the curfew request last meeting. As owner of several properties in Town, she has had several unpleasant experiences with the youth. She went on to say, last Thursday she attended the Appraisal system webinar. She would like to know the tax rate for 2024, and how do you calculate it compared to the year prior? In the webinar they stated they sent over 3,000 letters and she would like to know what the cost is for the project and what we are paying to Appraisal Systems.

There being no one else from the public to be heard in-person or on Zoom, Deputy Mayor Couce closed the meeting to the public.

COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS

Town Manager Russo – started by advising Mr. McCabe the 75 High Street application is on the agenda for the next Historic meeting to be held on July 24th. He also stated, not everyone that submits a volunteer application is interviewed. As for the comments on 122-124 Main Street, this is a matter before the Planning Board, and it is not appropriate for the Town Council to weigh in on the matter. He advised Dr. Mecaj, he will have the Clerk email her a copy of the agreement with Appraisal Systems. He then invited the Tax Assessor, Scott Holzauer to speak on the Reassessment Program.

Mr. Holzauer started by stating Appraisal Systems held a webinar on Thursday, July 13th for property owners. Approximately 25-30 people signed on, thirty (30) questions were asked, and almost all were answered. The inspections are supposed to start the first week of August. Each inspector's name, photo, and vehicle information will be given to the Police and key personnel at Town Hall. Mr. Holzauer reviewed the process that was explained during the webinar. Some key points were the company initially canvasses, if they don't gain access, they leave a card to advise of a subsequent visit on an evening or Saturday. When the inspector goes back there has to be an adult present to enter the house. If not, they leave another card for the property owner to call and schedule an appointment. When they near the end of the canvassing, for those outstanding properties, a final letter is sent to schedule an appointment for an inspection. He went on to state the inspectors are not taking interior photos or measurements. Mrs. Diglio asked about video inspections. Mr. Holzauer explained the best method is a physical inspection but for those that have scheduling issues or health concerns there is the availability to do video inspections. Property owners are given ample opportunity to schedule an appointment. He went on to say he cannot say what the Net Valuation

Taxation (NVT) will be until the assessment is complete. The 2024 tax rate will have a reciprocal effect on the NVT, we don't know what the final numbers will be. The dollar amount the property owners are given for the 2024 taxes is a guesstimate. Deputy Mayor Couce wanted to confirm the property owners are not under any obligation to grant access to the inspectors. Mr. Holzhauser stated that is correct, however if access is not granted, the inspectors will have to do a valuation based on the PRC and other key factors. Mr. Dickson advised everyone a recording to the webinar is available to watch on the Town's website. It is very informative, and he encourages everyone to check it out. Mr. Holzhauser stated he is available to answer questions throughout the process.

Deputy Mayor Couce thanked Mr. Holzhauser for his time.

Councilman Dickson – started by saying on July 11th he, along with the Mayor, and Chief of Police attended the groundbreaking ceremony at Thorlabs for the Quantum Realm building at the former Brooks Plaza site. It is great they are continuing to invest in Newton. This new building will be conventionally taxed, as is the current building on the site. The Diller Ave – Lower Spring and old Camp Hill building are also conventionally taxed. The EDC met this month and reviewed events. They also spoke about one of the businesses on Spring Street looking to bump out their vestibule, and how this could help other businesses also to create a little more space and give a clean street view. An eyelash extension business has expressed interest in one of the vacancies on Spring Street. A question was raised about the EV charging stations. Mr. Russo stated we are working with JCP&L on the matter.

Councilwoman Diglio – she had nothing to report. She thanked Mr. Dickson for clarification on Thorlabs taxes.

Councilwoman Le Frois – echoed Mr. Dickson on Thorlabs expansion and their continued efforts investing in Newton, providing jobs. She is excited about Ordinance 2023-20, it has been many years in the making. She offered thanks to Terri and the staff in the Clerk's office on the Town-Wide Garage Sale. The Historic Preservation Commission meets on July 24th. She wanted to recognize Newton High School student Jocelyn Reynolds, a member of the Class of 2024. Hundreds of girls annually go to Girls State, Jocelyn was one of only two girls selected to represent New Jersey at Girls National in Washington D.C. It is a huge accomplishment, it was great to read about her in Tap Into. She put together an ordinance/legislation to encourage the State to use COVID funds not expended to invest in students with mental health issues at the High School level. She wishes her lots of luck.

Deputy Mayor Couce – advised Mr. Panio, Ms. Fox, and the Keuvers the Town Council does not decide Land Use applications. Their questions and comments should be directed to the Planning Board. They meet this Wednesday and 7:00 pm. He went on to explain Planning Board conditions are part of an application, if the application is denied, conditions cannot be enforced.

Mayor Teets – excused.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

ORDINANCES

Deputy Mayor Couce read aloud the following Ordinance relative to final adoption.

ORDINANCE #2023-19

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-18 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, NEW JERSEY ON AUGUST 15, 2022

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Bond Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Newton, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey (the "Town") entitled "Bond Ordinance Providing An Appropriation Of \$894,909 For The Acquisition Of A Fire Truck With Accessories In And By The Town Of Newton, In The County Of Sussex, New Jersey And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$474,909 Bonds Or Notes Of The Town For Financing Part Of The Appropriation" finally adopted on August 15, 2022 (the "Ordinance") is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Section 2. (a) The Ordinance is hereby amended by (a) deleting the reference of "\$894,909" for the appropriation and estimated cost and "\$474,909" for the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes and substituting in lieu therefor "\$961,109" and "\$537,799"; (b) deleting the reference of \$331.43 from the capital improvement fund and substituting in lieu therefor \$3,641.43 and (c) deleting the reference to "\$5,000" for Section 20 costs and substituting in lieu therefor "\$5,500".

Section 3. 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 resolutions 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 of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 4. This Section 4 constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Town reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvements prior to the date that the 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 costs of the Improvements is \$537,799.

Section 5. All other provisions of the Ordinance shall remain unchanged.

Section 6. This amendatory bond ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final adoption as provided by Local Bond Law.

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

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

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

Deputy Mayor Couce read aloud the following Ordinance relative to introduction.

ORDINANCE # 2023-20

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR BLOCK 10.01, LOTS 5 & 6, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 125 WATER STREET AND 5 SOUTH PARK DRIVE, RESPECTIVELY

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

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

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, August 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Couce 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.

RESOLUTION #192-2023*

“Authorize Refund of an Overpayment of a Water and Sewer Utility Account for 2 Oak Street”

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2022, the tenant at 2 Oak Street applied to the LIWHAP program of the State of New Jersey for assistance with her water bill; and

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2022, the Utility Collector received \$809.51 from the State of New Jersey on behalf of the tenant at 2 Oak Street; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2023, the Utility Collector received \$3,190.49 from the State of New Jersey on behalf of the tenant at 2 Oak Street, resulting in there currently being an overpayment on the account of \$2,915.77; and

WHEREAS, the tenant has now vacated the property; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has requested a refund for the overpayment of \$2,915.77 which is currently on the account;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton that the Water and Sewer Collector is hereby authorized to issue a refund in the amount of \$2,915.77 to Treasurer, State of New Jersey, 101 South Broad Street, 5th Floor, PO Box 811, Trenton, NJ 08625-0806, attention Fidel Ekhelar.

RESOLUTION #193-2023*

“Authorize the Award of a Required Disclosure Contract for SKAE Power Solutions LLC”

WHEREAS, the Town of Newton has a need to provide Service and Maintenance Coverage of (1) 10kW Galaxy VS UPS System located at 60 Morris Lake Road, Sparta, NJ through SKAE Power Solutions LLC, 348 Route 9W – Palisades, NY 10964, 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; an

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is for the 2023 and 2024 year(s); and

WHEREAS, SKAE Power Solutions LLC, 348 Route 9W – Palisades, NY 10964, has submitted a proposal indicating they will provide the services for \$17,700.00 for a two (2) year contract, 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, SKAE Power Solutions LLC, 348 Route 9W – Palisades, NY 10964, has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification and Political Disclosure Contribution form, which certifies SKAE Power Solutions LLC, 348 Route 9W – Palisades, NY 10964 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 SKAE Power Solutions LLC, 348 Route 9W – Palisades, NY 10964 from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, subject to the approval of future budgets by the Governing Body of the Town of Newton, the Chief Financial Officer certifies that funds not to exceed \$17,700.00 will be encumbered as follows:

2023 – \$8,850.00	Account #6064217	WTP - Contractual
2024 - \$8,850.00	Account #6064217	WTP - Contractual

“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, that the Town Council of the Town of Newton authorizes the Town Manager of the Town of Newton to enter into a contract with SKAE Power Solutions LLC, 348 Route 9W – Palisades, NY 10964 not to exceed \$17,700.00 for the 2023 and 2024 calendar years; and

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

RESOLUTION #194-2023*

“Insertion of Special Items of Revenue in the 2023 Town of Newton Budget Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (C. 159, PL 1948)”

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue and also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation of equal amount in the Budget of any Municipality, when such item shall have been made available by law, and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Newton has been granted an amount of \$5,599.00 from the 2023 Statewide Insurance Fund (SIF) Risk Control Grant;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Newton hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services approve the insertion of the following items in the 2023 Budget of the Town of Newton which is now available as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Section F: Special Items of Revenue

Public and Private Revenues Off-set with Appropriations:

SIF Risk Control Grant \$5,599.00

General Appropriations:

(A) Operations - Excluded from CAPS

Public and Private Programs Off-Set by Revenues:

SIF Risk Control Grant \$5,599.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an electronic version of this Resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION #195-2023*

“Authorize the Award of a Required Disclosure Contract for Process Tech Sales & Service”

WHEREAS, the Town of Newton has a need to provide Rack #2 & 3, Raw & Filter Water Rosemount Turbidity through Process Tech Sales & Service, 1531 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083, 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 Town sought and obtained multiple quotes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1; and

WHEREAS, Process Tech Sales & Service, 1531 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083, has submitted a proposal indicating they will provide the services for \$26,896.00 exceeding in aggregate the pay-to-play threshold of \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, Process Tech Sales & Service, 1531 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083, has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification and Political Disclosure Contribution form, which certifies Process Tech Sales & Service, 1531 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083 has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Town of Newton in the previous one (1) year, and the contract will prohibit Process Tech Sales & Service, 1531 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083 from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies funds not to exceed \$26,896.00 will be encumbered as follows:

WS Capital Outlay Account#6089293

“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 of the Town of Newton to enter into a contract with Process Tech Sales & Service, 1531 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083 not to exceed \$26,896.00.

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 #196-2023*

“Authorize a Credit Due a Water and Sewer Utility Account”

WHEREAS, the Water and Sewer Collector has determined the following Water and Sewer Utility Account is due a credit 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 account for amount billed incorrectly due to the reason stated:

CREDIT FOR AN ACCOUNT WAS OVERESTIMATED:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
23777	27 Manor Drive	\$408.40

RESOLUTION #197-2023*

“Refund of Redemption Monies to Outside Lien Holder for Block 5.05, Lot 5, Also Known As 34 Clinton Street”

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on October 5, 2022, a lien was sold on Block 5.05, Lot 5, also known as 34 Clinton Street for 2021 delinquent utilities; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2022-003 was sold to Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty for a 0% redemption fee and a premium in the amount of \$2,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the owner has affected the redemption of Certificate #2022-003 in the amount of \$2,502.45;

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 \$2,502.45 as well as the return of the premium in the amount of \$2,500.00; 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 \$2,502.45 for the redemption and a check in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the return of the premium for Certificate #2022-003 to Fig 20, LLC FBO Sec Pty, PO Box 12225, Newark, NJ 07101.

RESOLUTION #198-2023*

“Resolution Authorizing the Award of CC #3-2023, Town of Newton Expenditure Efficiency Consultant”

WHEREAS, the Town of Newton has a need for expenditure efficiency consulting services; and

WHEREAS, such services are currently available to be provided through the competitive contracting process under the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.2, for a period of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the Town received Competitive Contract proposals, CC #3-2023 on July 11, 2023, at 10:00A.M.; and

WHEREAS, the Town authorized the competitive contract process in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-4.1 through the adoption of Resolution #170-2023 on June 12, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Town established a Rating Committee to rate the proposals upon the standards of price and other factors, those factors being Technical, Managerial, and Cost factors in accordance with N.J.A.C.5:34-4; and

WHEREAS, NextCoastal Carolina Cost Consulting Corp. dba Schooley Mitchell of MB, 6005 Tramonto St., Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, 29572, has provided a proposal deemed responsive and responsible as well as most advantageous based upon the legal principles of price and other factors under the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A.40A:11-1 et. Seq.); and

WHEREAS, the report produced by the committee, recommending NextCoastal Carolina Cost Consulting Corp. dba Schooley Mitchell of MB, was made available to the public and Governing Body at least 48 hours prior to the meeting of the Governing Body in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:11-4.1 and N.J.A.C 5:34-4;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, Sussex County, State of New Jersey, as follows: The Town Manager of the Town of Newton is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with NextCoastal Carolina Cost Consulting Corp. dba Schooley Mitchell of MB, 6005 Tramonto St., Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, 29572, for a period of five (5) years encompassing the scope of work and cost proposal as outlined within CC #3-2023.

RESOLUTION #199-2023*

“Award the Contract for the Proposed Improvements to Clinton Street, West Nelson Street, & Division Street Project to Schifano Construction Corp. (Milling and Paving) Per the MCCPC Contract No. 6 for District 2, Denville Line Painting, Inc. (Line Striping) Per the MCCPC Contract No. 36, National Highway Products, Inc. (Traffic Sign Materials) Per the MCCPC Contract No. 28, and Campbell Foundry Co. (Drainage Inlet Accessories) Per the MCCPC Contract No. 14, through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council”

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A.40A:11-1, authorizes the Town of Newton by Resolution, and without advertising for bids or obtaining quotations, to purchase any goods or services under cooperative contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Newton adopted Resolution #110-2021 on April 26, 2021 renewing membership in the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC); and

WHEREAS, Schifano Construction Corp. (Milling and Paving) per the MCCPC was awarded Contract No. 6 for District 2, Milling and Paving in the Morris County Co-Op's portion for municipalities with regard to Resurfacing of Roads; and

WHEREAS, Denville Line Painting, Inc., 2 Green Pond Road, Rockaway, New Jersey was awarded Contract No. 36, Traffic Striping on Roadways in the Morris County Co-op; and

WHEREAS, National Highway Products, Inc. (Traffic Sign Materials) was awarded Contract No. 28 in the Morris County Co-op; and

WHEREAS, Campbell Foundry Co. (Drainage Inlet Accessories) was awarded Contract No. 14 in the Morris County Co-op; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer, Harold E. Pellow, has recommended the following for improvements to Clinton Street, West Nelson Street, & Division Street in the Town of Newton, based on the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council contract pricing:

To be awarded to Schifano Construction Corp. through the Morris County Co-op	\$130,819.45
To be awarded to Denville Line Painting through the Morris County Co-op	\$2,293.70
To be awarded to National Highway Products, Inc through the Morris County Co-op	\$1,042.70
To be awarded to Campbell Foundry Co. through the Morris County Co-op	<u>\$2,821.50</u>
Total Cost through Morris County Co-Op for the Project	\$136,977.35

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 funds are available from:

Capital Fund – Ord. #2023-7 Various Improvements – Account #30923072

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, that the contract for the Proposed Improvements to Clinton Street, West Nelson Street, & Division Street Project in the Town of Newton is hereby awarded to Schifano Construction Corp in the amount of \$130,819.45, Denville Line Painting, in the amount of \$2,293.70, National Highway Products, Inc. in the amount of \$1,042.70, and Campbell Foundry Co. in the amount of \$2,821.50 based on the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council bid results in the total amount of \$136,977.35.

RESOLUTION #200-2023*

“Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License for 1915-33-009-006”

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2023, the Town of Newton received a special ruling from the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, permitting the renewal of an inactive license, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 for the 2023-2024 License term for License No. 1915-33-009-006 for License Name: PHIN ARIES LLC: Docket No. 06-23-422; Job No. 603697; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that the following Plenary Retail Consumption License is renewed for licensing year 2023-2024:

No. 1915-33-009-006 be issued to PHIN ARIES LLC 144 Spring Street, Newton, New Jersey.

RESOLUTION #201-2023*

“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
8666	2799	- AFLAC	2,313.26
8667	3897	- AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1,001.37
8668	3897	- AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	450.75
8669	3869	- AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE	562.22
8670	3868	- AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE COMPANY	670.82
8671	4473	- AppColony Inc.	3.50
8672	4713	- ARIZENT	2,079.00
8673	2757	- ATLANTIC TACTICAL INC.	2,292.00
8674	3251	- BADGER METER, INC.	552.29
8675	3905	- BLUE DIAMOND DISPOSAL INC.	800.60
8676	1132	- BOONTON TIRE SUPPLY INC.	615.49
8677	3355	- BRAEN STONE SPARTA	215.93
8678	300	- BRIGHTSPEED	323.10
8679	2124	- BUCKMAN'S INC.	2,657.63
8680	4237	- BUSINESS ENVIRONMENTS	523.70
8681	702	- C W A LOCAL 1032	285.11
8682	192	- CAMPBELL'S SMALL ENGINE INC.	448.71
8683	175	- CAPITAL ACCOUNT	410,319.00
8684	4706	- CARLUCCI, MICHAEL	3,636.99

8685	77	- CCP INDUSTRIES, INC.	2,186.38
8686	3770	- CINTAS	365.87
8687	4640	- COMMERCIAL TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTORS, INC.	17,155.66
8688	2628	- CONDOR CREATIONS	578.00
8689	4138	- CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY -GAS DIV	12,548.03
8690	1632	- COOPER ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.	998.00
8691	176	- COUNTY OF SUSSEX	926,819.35
8692	178	- COUNTY OF SUSSEX	67,252.00
8693	1425	- COUNTY OF SUSSEX	3,673.09
8694	2375	- COUNTY OF SUSSEX ELECTIONS	960.70
8695	4610	- DATAMARS, INC.	275.85
8696	4386	- DECOTIIS, FITZPATRICK, COLE& GIBLIN, LLP	6,029.85
8697	768	- DEMPSEY UNIFORM & SUPPLY INC	1,991.02
8698	2386	- DOMINICK'S PIZZA LLC	426.17
8699	4111	- DOWNTOWN NEW JERSEY	300.00
8700	4385	- ERIC M. BERNSTEIN & ASSOCIATES, LLC.	4,862.97
8701	225	- FEDERAL EXPRESS	94.14
8702	2852	- FERRIERO ENGINEERING INC.	869.00
8703	197	- FIRE FIGHTERS EQUIPMENT CO. INC.	1,140.00
8704	4686	- GENTILINI MOTORS	104,065.56
8705	4686	- GENTILINI MOTORS	52,615.68
8706	4686	- GENTILINI MOTORS	58,615.46
8707	4506	- GLENN C KIENZ	800.00
8708	4398	- GLOBAL RECYCLING SOLUTIONS LLC	1,586.66
8709	3763	- GLOCK PROFESSIONAL, INC.	500.00
8710	1608	- GOLD TYPE BUSINESS MACHINES	600.00
8711	4558	- GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES	300.00
8712	70	- HACH COMPANY	1,314.00
8713	2831	- HAMPTON RV SALES, INC.	450.00
8714	3804	- HAYDEE BALLESTER	140.00
8715	230	- HAYEK'S MARKET INC.	53.72
8716	4163	- HENDERSON PROMOS, LLC	3,996.15
8717	4337	- HFE SERVICES LLC	2,104.46
8718	3876	- HOLLAND COMPANY, INC.	11,494.23
8719	1866	- HOME DEPOT, INC.	1,866.00
8720	4480	- HUNTON, BARBARA	50.00
8721	4196	- IDEMIA IDENTITY & SECURITY USA LLC	738.00
8722	69	- INST FOR FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY, INC.	525.00
8723	332	- J & D SALES & SERVICE,LLC.	225.00
8724	3235	- J. CALDWELL & ASSOCIATES, LLC.	5,675.00
8725	1271	- JCI JONES CHEMICALS, INC	3,512.10
8726	113	- JCP&L	6,637.79
8727	3772	- JK HVAC SERVICE, LLC.	250.00
8728	3644	- JOHNNY ON THE SPOT, LLC.	541.25
8729	3644	- JOHNNY ON THE SPOT, LLC.	708.00
8730	4709	- KEARNS, KAREN	300.00
8731	4396	- KIMBALL MIDWEST	549.07
8732	2278	- LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC.	11.90
8733	4227	- LAW OFFICE OF DANIEL P. AGATINO, LLC.	1,333.33
8734	1566	- MAIN POOL & CHEMICAL COMPANY, INC.	9,893.40
8735	4548	- MANUFACTURERS EDGE INC	2,325.20
8736	3308	- MASON-WILLIAMS, KIMBERLY	40.35
8737	4717	- MCELWEE & QUINN LLC	1,000.00
8738	62	- MGL FORMS - SYSTEMS, LLC.	961.50
8739	4381	- MID-AMERICAN ELEVATOR CO., INC.	500.00
8740	409	- MINISINK PRESS INC	735.00
8741	53	- MONTAGUE TOOL & SUPPLY, INC.	178.09
8742	3339	- MUNI CLERKS ASSO OF NJ	175.00
8743	4716	- MUNIHUB	500.00
8744	170	- NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION	1,397,485.67
8745	700	- NEWTON PATROLMANS ASSOCIATION	720.00
8746	3979	- NEWTON PIZZA	99.67
8747	1745	- NEWTON SUPERIOR OFFICERS	420.00
8748	2835	- NJMEBF	201,774.00

8749	1207	- NJMMA	200.00
8750	4383	- OPTIMUM	187.30
8751	1407	- PASSAIC VALLEY SEWERAGE COMM.	8,856.00
8752	64	- PELLOW, HAROLD & ASSO, INC.	2,555.00
8753	4708	- PHILLIPS PREISS GRYGIEL LEHENY HUGHES LL	40.00
8754	3587	- PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC.	13,500.00
8755	4712	- PINK WITCH	145.00
8756	4204	- PLANET NETWORKS INC.	4,215.77
8757	2753	- PORTER LEE CORPORATION	81.63
8758	4126	- PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING INC.	22,660.50
8759	3999	- QUINN KATHERINE	289.64
8760	4034	- R & J CONTROL INC.	2,630.00
8761	2478	- RACHLES/MICHELE'S OIL COMPANY, INC.	9,127.39
8762	4203	- RAPID	1,823.75
8763	4134	- RAVE WIRELESS, INC.	5,259.05
8764	4425	- Reliance Standard Life Insurance Co	597.74
8765	61	- S K OFFICE SUPPLY INC.....	150.00
8766	3821	- S&P GLOBAL RATINGS	18,000.00
8767	126	- SCMUA	1,614.70
8768	611	- SEBRING AUTO PARTS, INC.	683.55
8769	2145	- SEELY BROTHERS, INC.	52.00
8770	4165	- SF MOBILE-VISION, INC.	2,535.31
8771	4644	- SIEGEL, STEVEN M.	2,874.99
8772	2257	- STAPLES	798.77
8773	43	- STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	235.36
8774	1982	- State of NJ, DCA ELSA	334.00
8775	1212	- STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND	139,964.87
8776	4144	- SUBURBAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC.	10,540.38
8777	102	- SUSSEX CAR WASH INC	168.00
8778	1453	- SUSSEX COUNTY LOCK & SAFE,	553.68
8779	130	- SUSSEX COUNTY P & H, INC.	124.74
8780	371	- T.A. MOUNTFORD COMPANY, INC.	950.00
8781	2479	- TAYLOR OIL CO., INC.	5,740.00
8782	4278	- TEXAS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	35.45
8783	3851	- THE CANNING GROUP, LLC.	541.66
8784	2409	- THE EMBLEM AUTHORITY	434.00
8785	676	- THE EQUITABLE	17,220.00
8786	3115	- THE NJ SHADE TREE FEDERATION	80.00
8787	217	- TIMMERMAN COMPANY, INC.	2,843.90
8788	4595	- TIMOTHY BRYAN ELECTRIC	105,768.18
8789	2880	- TRACTOR SUPPLY	221.01
8790	691	- TRANS WORLD ASSURANCE CO.	400.00
8791	1151	- TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	1,100.00
8792	2476	- TREASURER, STATE OF NJ -BURIAL	5.00
8793	4328	- TREE KING INC.	3,435.00
8794	2781	- TRIMBOLI & PRUSINOWSKI, LLC.	1,229.00
8795	521	- TRUST ACCOUNT, TOWN OF NEWTON	125.00
8796	4130	- UNITED FIRE PROTECTION CORP.	5,186.50
8797	4152	- UNITED SITE SERVICES,INC	18,170.47
8798	1257	- UNUM LIFE/DISABILITY INSUR	802.62
8799	2716	- UPSEU LOCAL 424J	714.00
8800	4617	- VALLEY MEDICAL GROUP	246.00
8801	2485	- VAN NIEUWLAND STEVE	341.64
8802	1739	- VERIZON CONNECT	106.14
8803	1280	- VERIZON WIRELESS, INC.	1,710.37
8804	1158	- VISION SERVICE PLAN	2,404.04
8805	2635	- W.B. MASON, INC.	914.34
8806	1500	- WALMART	209.19
8807	1144	- WEINER LESNIAK	1,080.00
8808	4677	- WHISKEY CROSSING BAND	700.00
8809	4261	- WIELKOTZ & COMPANY, LLC.	7,500.00
8810	3726	- WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP, INC.	507.48
8811	231	- ZEP MANUFACTURING COMPANY CORP.	744.99
Total			3,788,908.89

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

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

Deputy Mayor Couce (Abstain on check #8756)	Yes	Mr. Dickson	Yes
Mrs. Diglio	Yes	Mrs. Le Frois	Yes
	Mayor Teets	Excused	

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Deputy Mayor Couce opened the meeting to the public.

Blake Panio, stated with all due respect, this is a public meeting so why can't we discuss issues with 122-124 Main Street. There is an overlap with people on the Council and those on the Board. We want to get our concerns out to a broader audience. It is discouraging. His concern is they are already advertising its 16 units. When he bought his property next door, he was told he could not build anything on his property. Now they are building on a postage stamp size stamp property next door. He went on to state he wished he could ask the Tax person questions. There has been a lot of people coming around Town door-to-door so how we supposed to know who the tax people are. The last time he checked we had 48% un-ratables in this Town. It is not publicly known, but he thinks it's a pretty important thing to know. He spoke to people today who called the tax company to make an appointment, and they were told they can't make appointments. He is saying one thing and people are telling me it is not like that.

Ferity Fox, 115 Main Street, questioned if she should request the Traffic Study from the Council or the Planning Board on Wednesday. As far as the Tax Assessment is concerned, she always thought they went by the size of the house not the number of bedrooms or bathrooms. Mr. Russo advised it is the number of bedrooms and bathrooms and other key factors.

Dr. Mecaj, stated he heard the Tax Assessor talking about the Tax Rate. She understands you can't project the 2024 rate, but can she be provided with the rates from 2020-2023.

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

DISCUSSION

Mr. Russo stated the Mayor and Council requested a draft curfew ordinance. He worked on this topic with Chief Van Nieuwland, who is here tonight along with the Town Attorney Eric Bernstein. He asked Mr. Bernstein and the Chief to walk through each section.

Mr. Bernstein explained to the Council his office put together a draft ordinance that complied with the provisions State law which apply to curfews. They considered some of the ordinance that have been introduced and adopted predominantly down at the shore dealing with related issues with juveniles. They came up with the draft for the Council's consideration. Mr. Bernstein then reviewed the ordinance. Chapter 1,

Curfew Definitions are definitions which are following the State regulations. Most notable is a juvenile is anyone under the age of eighteen. He did point out there have been some issues relative to private residences and facilities, etc. He went on to say we are talking about setting forth a curfew for public areas and public places. If there are juveniles in private buildings, the curfew ordinance in and of itself may or not apply. There are other obvious concepts available for the police department to address where appropriate. Chapter 2, Curfew Hours Addressed, set the hours at 10:00 pm to 6:00 am. This is established by State Statute. He continued reviewing Chapter 3, Offenses, makes it unlawful for a juvenile to remain in a motor vehicle operating or parked, remain in or upon and Public Place, in the geographic boundaries of the Town during the curfew hours. It shall be unlawful for a person who owns a vehicle to allow or encourage violation of this Ordinance. Also, it will be unlawful for any Owner/Operator of any establishment to knowingly permit a juvenile employee to remain upon the premises of any establishment during curfew hours. It will also be unlawful for any juvenile to give a false name, address, and/or telephone number to any Law Enforcement Officer investigating a possible violation of this ordinance. Chapter 4, Exceptions/Defenses outlines the exceptions to the curfew. They are in accordance with State Statutes and are being accompanied by a Parent/Guardian or Caretaker, or traveling to/from work, church, or school activity, during a medical emergency. Chapter 5, Adult Responsibility outlines the person(s) responsible as the Parent, Guardian, and /or Caretaker. This will take away the "I don't know where my child is" and the "There is nothing they can do because the Town doesn't have a curfew" so called non-defense/defense when dealing with the juvenile's Parent, Guardian, and/or Caretaker. Chapter 6, Adult Permission Presumed, explains absent of proof it shall be presume that the Parent, Guardian, and/or Caretake of the juvenile permitted the juvenile to violate the provisions of the ordinance and will be held responsible. Chapter 7, Penalties. Mr. Bernstein explained the first two offenses are warnings, the third or thereafter is an offense subject to community service. This is State required. Also, they will be subject to a fine of up to \$1,000. If a juvenile and Parent, Guardian, and/or Caretaker are found guilty, and sentenced to community service they are both required to perform the community service together, this is also by State Statute. Chapter 9, Enforcement outlines what Law Enforcement can do. Chapter 10, School Day Curfew is also included in the proposal, also State Statute. This is more commonly known as Truancy. During school hours juveniles are required to be in school or have written permission from the educational authority.

Chief Van Nieuwland reviewed the difference between a curbside warning and Station House adjustment. The first offense would be a curbside warning to the juvenile, which would be documented and entered into our CAD System. The second offense is a Station House adjustment, which is really a more formal curbside warning to divert the child from the juvenile justice system. The police sit down with the juvenile and their Parent/Guardian and draw up a contract. The juvenile will have to follow certain parameters in the contract to fulfill the Station House adjustment. Once they fulfill the requirements, they are taken off the Station House adjustment. He has an officer that monitors the juvenile's behavior. The third offense is a summons/complaint to the Parent

or Guardian. The juvenile is not arrested. We would bring the juvenile home and the complaint is typed up at a later time and served through Family Court. They would all have to appear before the Judge who would decide the penalties.

The Chief then handed out a packet with statistics titled Juvenile Delinquency Incidents. It shows the issues they have been dealing with in the past few years.

Mr. Bernstein stated Chief Van Nieuwland was an invaluable source for him in drafting this ordinance.

The Chief pointed out in 2022 the juvenile incidents spiked. So far for 2023 they have done 16 Curbside warnings, 16 Station House Adjustment, and handled 6 juvenile complaints. We now track juvenile complaints; in the past they were not labeled separately. The graph show spikes are right after school, and in the overnight hours. They usually get one of two responses from the parents. It's either "I didn't know they snuck out of the house." or "What do you want us to do, you don't have a curfew." Sometimes the kids tell us, "you can bring me home, but I will be out in another hour". This ordinance is a tool, the Police Department will use discretion. The curfew will be applied as needed, they are not going after the kids leaving a school football game or church event. He appreciates the Town Manager and Council considering this because it is really needed. He was speaking with one of the Sergeants today, and they said thank you for this ordinance. The Sergeant went on to say he was driving through Town today and the juveniles were giving him the middle finger.

Mrs. Diglio asked what the owners of the Abelour and Newton Town Centre can do if the juveniles are on their property. The Chief explained many businesses in Town have banned some juveniles, if they encounter them, they should call the police. They would be charged with trespassing. Mr. Bernstein explained the ordinance has a broad definition of "public place" referring to parking lots, which may help the police. A brief discussion ensued with the Chief and Mr. Bernstein answering all the Council's questions. The Chief explained this will stop the escalation of issues with some juveniles. Mrs. Le Frois asked what the next steps are. Mr. Bernstein explained the ordinance will be introduced at a Special meeting to be determined and advertised and the public hearing will be held at the August 21st meeting at 7:00 pm. A draft of the ordinance will be posted on the Town's website.

The Chief stated he really appreciated Mr. Russo and the Town Council and all their support of the Police Department.

COUNCIL MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Russo asked Mr. Bernstein to weigh in on the 122-124 Main St issue and the Planning Board. Mr. Bernstein stated the Planning Board is a quasi-judicial board, and the members of the Board should come to the meeting with an open mind. The application should be based on the testimony of the applicants, their professionals, and the comments from the public at the meeting. Mr. Bernstein is encouraging the Town Council not to comment on an outstanding open application of the Planning Board. The comments from the public should be stated at a Planning Board meeting. Only the Planning Board can approve or deny or place conditions on an application relative to zoning.

July 17, 2023

Mr. Russo asked the Clerk to get the tax rate information from the Tax Collector and email it Dr. Mecaj.

Mr. Russo stated there are still mural painting spots available. The Kiddie Pool has been plastered and is curing as we speak. Tentative opening for next week.

Mr. Couce explained to Mr. Panio, all canvassers/solicitors are required to get a permit from the Town. If someone comes to his door without the proper permit, he should call the police. As for the appointments for the assessment inspections, he believes they are not offering inspections in advance, they are waiting for at least the first round of inspections to be completed. If you have any specific questions for Mr. Holzhauser he can be reached at assessor@newtontownhall.com or 973-383-3521 x234. Mr. Bernstein stated tax law does not allow for the taxing of personal property. They are not checking for the number of TV's or the like. They are taxing on square footage and related items, including the number of bedrooms, bathrooms, a finished basements, and work that has been done without a permit.

Mr. Couce clarified Ms. Fox request for a Traffic Study should go before the Planning Board.

Mrs. Le Frois, wanted to clarify a third of the Town's properties are tax-exempt and it is part of public record. She thanked Tom, the Chief, and Eric for their prompt response to the need for a curfew. She also thanked Mr. McCabe for his continued interest in the Town.

ADJOURMENT

There being no further business to be conducted, upon a motion by Mrs. Diglio seconded by Mr. Dickson and unanimously carried, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa A. Oswin, RMC
Municipal Clerk