



John L. Salomone
Town Manager

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

131 CEDAR STREET
NEWINGTON, CONNECTICUT 06111

MAYOR STEPHEN WOODS

NEWINGTON TOWN COUNCIL **Helen Nelson Room (Main Level) – Town Hall** **131 Cedar Street**

October 9, 2012
7:00 p.m.

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS
 - A. Teacher of the Year
- IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – IN GENERAL (**In Person/Via Telephone**)
(3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER SPEAKER ON ANY ITEM)
- V. CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS (**Action May be Taken**)
 - A. Veterans' Tax Exemption
 - B. Salary Integration for Active Duty Military Service
- VI. CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS (**Action May Be Taken Only by Waiving the Rules.**)
 - A. Expansion of the Town Hall Project Building Committee
- VII. RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS (Action May Be Taken)
 - A. Town Hall Renovations Project Building Committee
 - 1. Accept Resignation of Nancy Petronio (BOE Member)
 - 2. Appoint Sharon Braverman (BOE Member)
 - B. Appointments to Boards and Commissions
 - 1. Balf-Town Committee
 - 2. Newington Commercial Façade Easement Rehabilitation Loan Program Committee
 - 3. Committee on Community Safety
 - 4. Conservation Commission
 - 5. Development Commission
 - 6. Downtown Revitalization Committee
 - 7. Education Facilities Project Building Committee
 - 8. EMS Committee
 - 9. Employee Insurance and Pension Benefits Committee
 - 10. Environmental Quality Commission
 - 11. Board of Ethics
 - 12. Fair Rent Commission

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- 13. Firehouse Expansion Project Building Committee
- 14. Human Rights Commission – Tim Manke**
- 15. NHS Track Renovation Project Building Committee
- 16. Open Space Committee
- 17. School Code Compliance Committee
- 18. Standing Insurance Committee
- 19. Vehicle Appeals Board

VIII. TAX REFUNDS (**Action Requested**)

IX. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS (**Action Requested**)

A. 9-11-12, Regular Meeting

X. WRITTEN/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER, OTHER TOWN AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS, OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS AND THE PUBLIC

XI. COUNCIL LIAISON/COMMITTEE REPORTS

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – IN GENERAL (**In Person/Via Telephone**)
(3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER SPEAKER ON ANY ITEM)

XIII. REMARKS BY COUNCILORS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA ITEM: III

DATE: 10-9-12

RESOLUTION NO.: _____

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carol A. Duggan, a first-grade teacher at Anna Reynolds Elementary School, has been designated as Newington's 2012-2013 Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Duggan was selected based upon her exceptional skill and dedication to children and the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Duggan is intelligent, a strong communicator, an advocate for all students and a strong believer that public education is the vehicle to prepare all children for participation in our society; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Duggan earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Eastern Connecticut State University, a Masters of Science in Early Childhood Education at Central Connecticut State University and completed additional graduate level education classes at the University of Connecticut, Southern State University and has also completed additional graduate level canter education classes at the University of New England; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Duggan began teaching in Newington in 1991 at Anna Reynolds Elementary School as a kindergarten teacher and has been teaching first grade at Anna Reynolds Elementary School since 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Duggan has been involved in numerous school and town-wide committees, all of which contributed to enhancing the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Duggan piloted a one-to-one computing program in her first grade classroom using iPads to provide the students with stimulating and meaningful ways to practice skills and concepts, resulting in tremendous growth for each of her students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Duggan makes a conscious effort to provide the best learning environment possible for her students through lessons that encourage children to begin each day with excitement and enthusiasm, to learn through discovery and to learn more about the world around them by creating a positive and supportive atmosphere where children are encouraged to question, explore, experiment, wonder and discover;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Newington Town Council hereby recognizes Carol A. Duggan as Newington's Teacher of the Year and extends its sincerest congratulations and appreciation to her for her dedication and commitment to Newington's children.

MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE: _____

Memorandum

To: Newington Town Council Members
From: S. Steven Juda, Assessor
Date: October 9, 2012
Re: Veteran's Exemptions Further Discussion

Attached you will find 3 Tables and a proposed blank resolution for you discussion prior to the meeting of October 9, 2012.

1. Table 1 provides the tax loss and approximate income level for various choices you may elect.
2. Table 2 provides a copy of the October 1, 2011 grand list as actually filed.
3. Table 3 provides the impact of the additional elderly benefit you passed in April
4. Blank representation of your proposed

**Table 1
Additional Veteran Exemptions Available Through Local Option**

<u>Assumptions</u>			
		Mill Rate	0.03264
		Current Data	
		2011 Adjusted Grand List	\$2,479,864,152
		2012 Levy	\$80,953,338
		2012 Mill Rate	0.03264
Original Number of Eligible Veterans	487	Average Residential Asst.	\$143,368
Total Number of Vets	2,026	Average Residential Tax	\$4,680

Increase in allocation	Council Allocation	# of Vets	% of Vets	Income Levels	Additional Exemption	Total Exemption	Mill Rate	Tax Loss	CT Grant	Loss to Town	Cost to avg. Residential Taxpayer
Resolution 2012-42	\$50,000	196	9.7%	\$39,500	\$8,000	\$1,568,000	0.03264	\$51,179.52	\$10,399	\$40,780.52	\$2.36
	\$60,000	246	12.1%	\$42,000	\$8,000	\$1,968,000	0.03264	\$64,235.52	\$10,399	\$53,836.52	\$3.11
	\$70,000	296	14.6%	\$44,000	\$8,000	\$2,368,000	0.03264	\$77,291.52	\$10,399	\$66,892.52	\$3.87
	\$80,000	346	17.1%	\$46,000	\$8,000	\$2,768,000	0.03264	\$90,347.52	\$10,399	\$79,948.52	\$4.62
	\$90,000	396	19.5%	\$48,000	\$8,000	\$3,168,000	0.03264	\$103,403.52	\$10,399	\$93,004.52	\$5.38
	\$100,000	433	21.4%	\$50,000	\$8,000	\$3,464,000	0.03264	\$113,064.96	\$10,399	\$102,665.96	\$5.93
	\$110,000	483	23.8%	\$52,000	\$8,000	\$3,864,000	0.03264	\$126,120.96	\$10,399	\$115,721.96	\$6.69
	\$120,000	533	26.3%	\$54,000	\$8,000	\$4,264,000	0.03264	\$139,176.96	\$10,399	\$128,777.96	\$7.44
	\$130,000	583	28.8%	\$56,000	\$8,000	\$4,664,000	0.03264	\$152,232.96	\$10,399	\$141,833.96	\$8.20
	\$140,000	633	31.2%	\$57,300	\$8,000	\$5,064,000	0.03264	\$165,288.96	\$10,399	\$154,889.96	\$8.95
	\$150,000	683	33.7%	\$60,000	\$8,000	\$5,464,000	0.03264	\$178,344.96	\$10,399	\$167,945.96	\$9.71
	\$160,000	733	36.2%	\$62,000	\$8,000	\$5,864,000	0.03264	\$191,400.96	\$10,399	\$181,001.96	\$10.46
	\$170,000	808	39.9%	\$64,500	\$8,000	\$6,464,000	0.03264	\$210,984.96	\$10,399	\$200,585.96	\$11.59

Notes

\$57,300 Maximum Income for Single Veterans per CT Statutes
 \$64,500 Maximum Income for Married Veterans per CT Statutes

4/10/2012 2012-41 Approved Elderly Increase of \$50K in local option town benefit with no change to income levels
 4/10/2012 2012-40 Failed Vets increase to \$10,000 up to \$50K income
 4/10/2012 2012-42 Approved Vets increase of \$50K to exemption of \$10,000 with no change to income levels

**Table 2
2011 Newington Exemptions on Grand List**

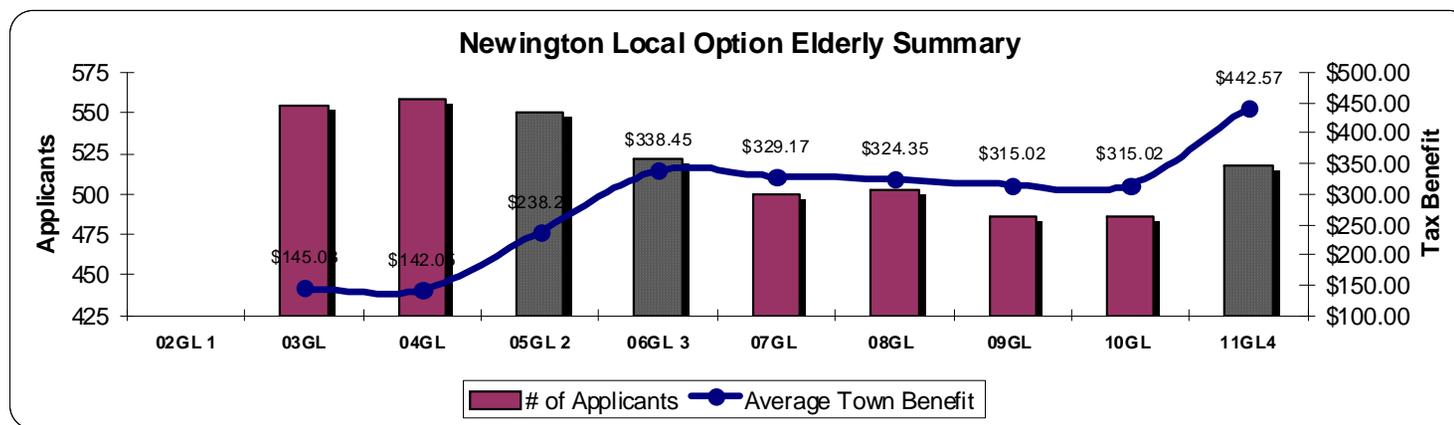
	<u>Real Estate</u>		<u>Motor Vehicle</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Tax Loss</u> ³	<u>State Reimburse</u> ⁴	<u>Town Cost</u>	<u>Cost to Average Tax Payer</u>		
									<u>Percent</u>	<u>Cost</u>	
Standard Non Reimbursed Veteran ¹	1,753	\$5,156,920	273	\$783,260	2,026	\$5,940,180	\$193,887	\$0	\$193,887	0.240%	\$11.21
Reimbursed Additional Veteran-Income ²	188	\$868,000	1	\$1,710	189	\$869,710	\$28,387	\$10,399	\$17,988	0.022%	\$1.04
Additional Veteran Non Reimbursed	1,373	\$1,580,000	195	\$196,080	1,568	\$1,776,080	\$57,971	\$0	\$57,971	0.072%	\$3.35
Disability Non Reimbursed	0	\$0	35	\$247,150	35	\$247,150	\$8,067	\$0	\$8,067	0.010%	\$0.47
Disability Reimbursed	149	\$158,000	21	\$21,190	170	\$179,190	\$5,849	\$2,141	\$3,708	0.005%	\$0.21
Blind	29	\$90,000	1	\$3,000	30	\$93,000	\$3,036	\$0	\$3,036	0.004%	\$0.18
	3,492	\$7,862,920	526	\$1,252,390	4,018	\$9,105,310	\$297,197	\$12,540	\$284,658	0.352%	\$16.45
¹ Total Veterans Receiving Exemption											
² Additional Veterans Exemption Low Income											
³ Assessment multiplied by Mill Rate of 32.64											
⁴ State Reimbursement at 36.6% not 100% due to pro forma reduction											
Additional Veterans Exemption Cost for Income up to \$50,000					433	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	0.124%	\$5.93	
2011 Newington Elderly Analysis on Grand List					510	\$235,000	\$0	\$235,000	0.290%	\$13.58	
Assumptions											
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**Table 3
Town of Newington
Local Option Elderly Benefit Summary**

	02GL ¹ FY 03-04	03GL FY 04-05	04GL FY 05-06	05GL ² FY 06-07	06GL ³ FY 07-08	07GL FY 08-09	08GL FY 09-10	09GL FY 10-11	10GL FY 11-12	11GL ⁴ FY 12-13
State of Connecticut										
State Benefit		\$295,026	\$306,018	\$309,971	\$298,234	\$285,539	\$285,539	\$285,539	\$285,539	\$304,678
# of Applicants		554	558	551	522	500	502	486	486	517
Average State Benefit		\$532.54	\$548.42	\$562.56	\$571.33	\$571.08	\$568.80	\$587.53	\$587.53	\$589.32
Town of Newington										
Annual Budget		\$80,000	\$80,000	\$140,000	\$185,000	\$185,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$235,000
Local Option-Additional		\$80,349	\$79,406	\$131,268	\$176,671	\$164,587	\$162,824	\$153,100	\$153,100	\$228,809
Percent of Budget		100.4%	99.3%	93.8%	95.5%	89.0%	90.5%	85.1%	85.1%	97.4%
# of Applicants		554	559	551	522	500	502	486	486	517
Average Town Benefit		\$145.03	\$142.05	\$238.24	\$338.45	\$329.17	\$324.35	\$315.02	\$315.02	\$442.57
Total Average Tax Relief		\$677.57	\$690.47	\$800.80	\$909.78	\$900.25	\$893.15	\$902.55	\$902.55	\$1,031.89

¹ Resolution passed April 4, 2003 granting benefit up to \$80,000 town-wide at \$150 per eligible applicant.
² Resolution passed May 9, 2006 increasing benefit up to \$140,000 town-wide on a sliding scale of income.
³ Resolution passed May 8, 2007 increasing benefit up to \$185,000 town-wide on a sliding scale of income.
⁴ Resolution passed April 10, 2012 increasing benefit up to \$235,000 town-wide on a sliding scale of income.



AGENDA ITEM: _____

DATE:

RESOLUTION NO:

WHEREAS, the Newington Town Council wishes to provide additional exemption for those veterans who meet the requirements of subdivision (19) of section 12-81;

WHEREAS, section 12-81f of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as may be amended from time to time, grants municipalities the authority to provide veterans eligible to an exemption under subdivision (19) of section 12-81 an additional exemption up to ten thousand dollars ; and

WHEREAS, section 12-81f of the General Statutes of Connecticut additionally grants municipalities the authority to provide this additional exemption to veterans at an income level that does not exceed the maximum amount under said section 12-81f by more than twenty-five thousand dollars; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Newington Town Council hereby enacts an additional veteran exemption up to \$10,000 to veterans whose combined family income is less than _____ which would have an annual approximate tax loss of _____; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this additional veteran exemption shall become effective commencing with the Grand **List of October 1, 2012** and shall be applied to each assessment year thereafter until changed by future resolution. This exemption will commence to eligible veterans effective with the billing date of **July 1, 2013**.

AGENDA ITEM: V.A_____.

DATE: 10-9-12_____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE: _____

AGENDA ITEM: IV.B._____

DATE: 10-9-12_____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLVED:

That the Newington Town Council, pursuant to the Town of Newington Personnel Rules, Section 9.16 "Military Leave", and the recommendation of the Town Manager in his role as Personnel Director, hereby extends the military leave differential pay for Officer Yuri Branzburg for the duration of his current active military deployment.

MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE: _____



John Salomone
Town Manager

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

131 CEDAR STREET
NEWINGTON, CONNECTICUT 06111

OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

MEMORANDUM

To: Newington Town Council
From: John Salomone, Town Manager
Date: October 04, 2012
Re: Town Hall Renovation Committee Expansion

As the Town Council is aware, the Town Hall Renovation Project Building Committee currently consists of five members (three Town Council members and two Board of Education members). A major component of the Town Hall renovation project will be the possible construction of a new recreation center. Because of the scope of the project for the recreation center (Mortensen Center), the addition of two Parks and Recreation Board members to the Project Building Committee would be important to provide input on the recreation facilities.

Due minority party representation requirements, at least one of the two appointments from Parks and Recreation Board must be Republican members, since there is presently one Republican member of the original five appointees.

A resolution appointing two Parks and Recreation members as additional members of the Town Hall Renovations Committee will appear on the October 23, 2012 Council meeting agenda for consideration.



John Salomone
Town Manager

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

131 Cedar Street Newington, Connecticut 06111

Office of the Town Clerk

Tanya D. Lane MMC
Town Clerk

Memorandum

To: John Salomone, Town Manager
From: Tanya Lane, Town Clerk 
Date: October 3, 2012
Re: Resignation—Nancy Petronio: Town Hall Renovation Project Building Committee

I am attaching a letter of resignation that was emailed to the Board of Education and then forwarded to the Town Clerk's office. The communication is from Nancy Petronio who is resigning from the Town Hall Renovation PBC effective October 2, 2012. Ms. Petronio was appointed to serve a term from 1/10/12 – 11/12/13.

Pursuant to § 612 of the Newington Charter, the Town Council is the appointing authority.

Mrs. Tonya Lane

Town Clerk

Town of Newington

131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111

October 2, 2013

Dear Mrs. Lane:

Please let this letter serve as my resignation from the Town Hall Renovations Committee. I am submitting this so that Town Council may appoint a replacement.

Thanks

Nancy Petronio

RECEIVED & RECORDED IN
NEWINGTON LAND RECORDS

2012 OCT -3 P 12:36

BY *Tonya D Lane*
TOWN CLERK

DATE: September 28, 2012
TO: Mr. John Salomone, Town Manager
FROM: Dr. William C. Collins, Superintendent of Schools 
SUBJECT: **BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTMENTS**

Dr. Marc B. Finkelstein, Board of Education Chairperson, has made the following appointment change to the Town Hall Renovations PBC.

- Mrs. Sharon Braverman has replaced Mrs. Nancy Petronio

Please contact this office if you have any questions concerning the above appointment change.

WCC:skp

cc: Members of the Board of Education
Mr. Lou Jachimowicz, Chief Finance & Operations Officer
Mr. Jeff Baron, Director of Administrative Services

AGENDA ITEM: VII.A.1.

DATE: 10-9-12

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLVED:

That the Newington Town Council hereby accepts the resignation of Nancy Petronio from the Town Hall Renovation Project Building Committee per a communication dated October 2, 2012.

MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE: _____

AGENDA ITEM: VII.A.2.

DATE: 10-9-12

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLVED:

That the Newington Town Council hereby makes the following appointment:

Town Hall Renovation Project Building Committee

5 Members (3 NTC, 2 BOE)
Party max.: 4

Name	Address	Party	Appointing Party	Term	Replaces
BOE REP: Sharon Braverman	39 Churchill Way	D	R	IMMED – Conclusion of BOE Term	N. Petronio (Resigned 10- 2012)

MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE: _____

AGENDA ITEM: _____

DATE: 10-9-12

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLVED:

That the Newington Town Council hereby makes the following appointment:

Human Rights Commission

9 members, 3 year term

Party Max.: 6

Name	Address	Party	Appointing Party	Term	Replaces
Tim Manke	65 Rosewood Drive	R	R	IMMED.- 11/30/13	Vacant

MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE: _____

AGENDA ITEM: VII

DATE: 10-9-2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLVED:

That property tax refunds in the amount of \$10,840.88 are hereby approved in the individual amounts and for those named on the "Requests for Refund of an Overpayment of Taxes," certified by the Revenue Collector, a list of which is attached to this resolution.

MOTION BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE: _____

TAX REFUNDS – October 9, 2012

Ashley & Linda Waite 433 Cypress Road Newington, CT 06111	\$90.06
Jeffrey J. Fiumara Jr. 196 Roseleah Avenue Newington, CT 06111	\$27.81
Harold Lufkin 456 Connecticut Avenue Newington, CT 06111	\$414.20
Donuts LLC 244 255 66 Cedar Street Newington, CT 06111	\$54.18
Nissan Infiniti – LT Tax Operations P.O. Box 650214 Dallas, TX 75264-0214	\$207.56
NGOC M TRANG 36 Buckingham Street Newington, CT 06111	\$12.17
TD Auto Finance Attn: Sunny 2050 Roanoke Road Westlake, TX 76262	\$306.80
Tai T Vuong 57 Day Street Newington, CT 06111	\$178.54
M Frank Higgins & Co. 780 North Mountain Road Newington, CT 06111	\$393.32
Alice or James Doherty Jr. 60 Wakeley Road Newington, CT 06111	\$163.20
Richard Morin 40 Crestview Drive Newington, CT 06111	\$16.02
Mohammad A. Qayyum 32 Briarwood Road Newington, CT 06111	\$40.15
Sharif U. Islam 32 Briarwood Road Newington, CT 06111	\$48.63
Fakrul Islam 372 Cypress Road Newington, CT 06111	\$47.33
Donald H. Nagel 69 Cypress Road Newington, CT 06111	\$184.42
Michael J. Winalski 38 Stafford Avenue Newington, CT 06111	\$93.02
Joseph J. Collins Jr.	\$108.69

101 Brace Road Newington, CT 06111	
Juan Rodriguez 34 Kitts Lane Newington, CT 06111	\$6.79
EAN Holdings Enterprise Rent A Car 8 Ella Grasso Turnpike Windsor Locks, CT 06096	\$181.66
EAN Holdings Enterprise Rent A Car 8 Ella Grasso Turnpike Windsor Locks, CT 06096	2,023.08
EAN Holdings Enterprise Rent A Car 8 Ella Grasso Turnpike Windsor Locks, CT 06096	\$1,538.13
EAN Holdings Enterprise Rent A Car 8 Ella Grasso Turnpike Windsor Locks, CT 06096	\$1,384.43
EAN Holdings Enterprise Rent A Car 8 Ella Grasso Turnpike Windsor Locks, CT 06096	\$1,983.72
Aarika Guerrette 800 Plainville Avenue Farmington, CT 06032	\$50.27
Ivan Vaillancourt 32 Patriot Lane Newington, CT 06111	\$109.57
TD Auto Finance Attn: Mark Smith 2050 Roanoke Road Westlake, TX 76262	\$317.59
Jeffrey Taddeo 221 Main Street Newington, CT 06111	\$31.73
Christopher Orozco 65 Brockett Street Newington, CT 06111	\$78.07
James B. Doherty Jr. 60 Wakeley Road Newington, CT 06111	\$57.43
BMW Financial Services Attn: Tax 5550 Britton Parkway Hilliard, Ohio 43026	\$269.88
Semper Fidelis Lawn & Snow LLC Vinny Dicioccio 25 Coolidge Avenue Newington, CT 06111	\$81.60
Toyota Motor Credit Corporation Attn: Product Operations WF 21 19001 S. Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90509	\$340.83
TOTAL	\$10,840.88