Public Hearing
April 5, 2022

This meeting will be presented as a Zoom Webinar/Hybrid Meeting

To provide an opportunity for interested electors and/or taxpayers* to express their views regarding the Town Council’s Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Mayor DelBuono called the Public Hearing to order at 6:06 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION regarding the Town Council’s Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. (VIA TELEPHONE: 860-665-8736) (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER SPEAKER)

- Amy Perrotti, 175 Hillcrest Avenue. Here tonight, not as a board member, but as a taxpayer and parent of three. Request you fully fund the Newington Public Schools. Please listen to the presentation tonight; full of needs, not wants. Contractual salary obligations make up the majority of the increase this year and there is a need to make up for the zero last year. There are contractual obligations in the town’s budget as well. Proposed budget is extremely unfair to the children in our town. A mill rate decrease of 0.54 translates to just over $1.5 million, the amount cut in the BOE budget. Not in support of lower mill rate; in support of our children and their education. Teachers and staff have done amazing things during the pandemic, but they are struggling as well.

- Email correspondence from Forrest Helvie, 282 Lamp Lighter Lane (attached hereto).

Mayor DelBuono adjourned the public hearing at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Gibbon
Council Clerk

*Pursuant to §805 of the Town of Newington Charter