

**CITY OF NEWTON**  
**IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
**BOARD ACTIONS**

Thursday, November 12, 2009

Present: Ald. Albright, Ciccone, Coletti, Danberg, Fischman, Freedman, Gentile, Harney, Hess-Mahan, Johnson, Lappin, Linsky, Parker, Salvucci, Schnipper, Swiston, Vance, Yates and Baker.

Absent: Ald. Brandel, Lennon, Mansfield, Merrill, Sangiolo

**THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE A MOTION TO GO INTO A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WITH FINANCE PRESIDING TO OPEN A PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

#70-09(6)     DIRECTOR OF ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION submitting for Board of Aldermen review and approval FY10 Municipal Property Tax Levy Distribution Percentages among residential, open space, commercial and industrial classes of Real Property.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE DENIED A MOTION TO SET THE TAX SHIFT AT 175%: 10 NAYS, 9 YEAS (Ald. Ciccone, Coletti, Freedman, Gentile, Harney, Lappin, Linsky, Salvucci, Yates), 5 ABSENT (Ald. Brandel, Lennon, Mansfield, Merrill, Sangiolo)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE APPROVED A MOTION TO SET THE TAX SHIFT AT 173% FOR A RESIDENTIAL RATE OF 82.0357% AND A COMMERCIAL RATE OF 17.9643%: 11 YEAS, 7 NAYS (Ald. Ciccone, Coletti, Gentile, Harney, Linsky, Salvucci, Yates), 1 ABSTENTION (Ald. Freedman), 5 ABSENT (Ald. Brandel, Lennon, Mansfield, Merrill, Sangiolo)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE APPROVED ADJOURNMENT BY VOICE VOTE.**

**IN THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN:**

**MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ALLOW AN ORAL REPORT BY THE CHAIR OF FINANCE ON THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE DISCUSSION OF #70-09(6) WAS APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE**

**MOTION TO POSTPONE THE ITEM TO A DATE CERTAIN OF NOVEMBER 16, 2009 APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSED AND VOTED THE FOLLOWING ITEM ON SECOND CALL:**

#357-09      HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to appropriate and expend \$89,750 from tax revenue from the local option meals tax for the purpose of creating an economic development planner position and providing funds for related work broken down as follows: salaries \$29,500, benefits \$7,000, expenses \$33,250 and grants \$20,000. [10/13/09 @ 5:25 PM]  
**FINANCE APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-3 @\$72,250 (Lennon, Coletti and Johnson opposed)**

**ITEM POSTPONED ON 11/2/09 TO A DATE CERTAIN OF 11/12/09**

**APPROVED @ \$72,250 18 YES, 6 ABSENT (Ald. Brandel, Harney, Lennon, Mansfield, Merrill, Sangiolo)**

**THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN APPROVED A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ALLOW THE ASSIGNMENT OF A WATER AND SEWER TAX RATE HEARING.**

*Public Hearing was assigned for December 7, 2009:*

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#70-09(8)      HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting proposed mid-year rate changes, effective January 1, 2010, to the FY10 Water and Sewer rates as most recently amended by Ordinance Z-49, dated 5/18/09, to eliminate the anticipated revenue shortfall in the Sewer Fund and in concert with docket #70-09(9) to amend the Water and Sewer budgets. [11/10/09 @ 5:57 PM]