



**MEETING OF
UNIVERSITY PARK MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL**

**UNIVERSITY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
4315 UNDERWOOD STREET**

**7:30 p.m.
May 28, 2015
SPECIAL SESSION
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER: *Mayor Lenford Carey* at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Thompson, Mr. Gekas, Mr. Hess, Ms. Verrill, Ms. Sorensen, Mr. Alvarez
Absent: None
Excused: Mr. Cron

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Ms. Sorensen.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Mr. Alvarez **Seconded by:** Mr. Gekas
Yea: 6 **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Note: Responses from Council Members, Treasurer, or the Mayor are italicized.

- What services are being increased?
The budget proposal gives the details which outlines the increases. Also continued professionalization of the town government and also some deferred maintenance that has not been dealt with in a number of years.
- When was the last time there was a tax increase in town?
Last year. For five years the tax rate was not increased which was by agreement when the town went into the State pension plan and the employees took a freeze on pay.
- The assessments and how they vary year to year, does that have a positive or negative impact on your proposal?
We get a certification every February from the State in terms of the increased assessments, there is a reassessment every three years. Every February, the State gives us a constant yield certification that tells us what they believe the total net assessed value of the town real property is and accordingly they estimate what the constant yield tax rate would be.
- Does the assessment have limits as far as how much they can go up per year?
The maximum is 10% a year.

5. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 15-O-07: Fiscal 2016 Budget (*Second Reading*)

Motion: To approve the adoption of Legislative Resolution 15-O-07: Fiscal 2016 budget.

Moved by: Mr. Hess

Seconded by: Mr. Alvarez

Yea: 6

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

6. ADJOURNMENT by consent at 8:25 p.m.