## TOWN OF NEWTON PETTY CASH POLICY

(Adopted June 23, 2008)

Petty Cash is **only** for official Town business. It shall not be used for any personal business even if the intent is to reimburse Petty Cash. Additionally, Petty Cash monies <u>shall not</u> be used to cash any checks.

- 1. The establishment of a Petty Cash system requires the consent of the Town Administrator. Start up instructions will be provided by the Bookkeeper.
- 2. A base Petty Cash amount shall be determined by the Department Head and the Bookkeeper.
- 3. Cash boxes shall be utilized to store the money and supporting documentation, in a secure location. The Department Head shall designate an employee(s) to oversee the Department's Petty Cash system.
- 4. Payments from Petty Cash shall be made only when a valid receipt or request is submitted.
- 5. Under no circumstances will personal funds be used to compensate for any shortages. Discrepancies shall be reported in writing upon requesting Petty Cash replenishment.
- 6. At all times, the sum of the receipts and the cash remaining in the Petty Cash box must equal the predetermined Petty Cash base.
- 7. At any time, the Bookkeeper and Treasurer may perform random audits of a Department's Petty Cash.