

**TOWN OF CROMWELL
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2010
TOWN HALL ROOM 224/5 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Present: First Selectman J. Flanders, Deputy First Selectman R. Newton, A. Varricchio, A. Halibozek, A. Spotts, P. Ahlquist

Absent: A. Waters

Also Present: Assessor S. O'Neil, Tax Collector S. Ramsay, Chief of Police A. Salvatore, Captain R. Nelson, Recreation Director S. Schein, Director of Developmental Services J. Mazurek, Public Works Director E. Hood, Emergency Management Director F. Curtin, Public and Press

A. CALL TO ORDER

First Selectman Flanders called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. CITIZENS COMMENTS

1. J. Polke, Pondview Drive -Entire town should work together on the budget process.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion and action to accept recommendation to change the income requirements to provide that all residents who reside at the address must report their income to determine their eligibility-Tabled
Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Varricchio and *unanimously carried* to remove from the table.
Assessor S. O'Neil was present to answer questions and concerns. After a brief discussion the consensus of the board was to take no action.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Authorize, First Selectman John M. Flanders, to sign the Notice of Grant Award for the above-referenced grant.
RESOLVED: That John M. Flanders, First Selectman, is empowered and authorized to sign the Notice of Grant Award for OPM Grant ID No. 09OPM1099BE on behalf of the Town of Cromwell."
Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve resolution to authorize First Selectman John M. Flanders to sign the Notice of Grant Award for the above referenced grant.

E. BUDGET WORKSHOP

a. Discussion and Action on General Fund Budget Requests:

4. Economic Development-\$43,200

Developmental Services Director J. Mazurek presented the request.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts to approve.

Amended motion made by P. Ahlquist seconded by A. Varricchio and *unanimously carried* to decrease the professional services line by \$3,000.

Main Motion *unanimously carried* to approve **\$40,200**.

9. Committee to Support People with Disabilities -\$525.00

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$525.00**.

17. Tax Collector's Office -\$177,652

Tax Collector S. Ramsay presented the request.

Motion made by A. Varricchio seconded by R. Newton and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$177,652**.

18. Assessor's Office -\$186,628

Assessor S. O'Neil presented the request.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$186,628**.

35. Police -\$2,721,469

Chief A. Salvatore presented the request.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$2,721,469**.

36. Animal Control -\$80,441

Chief A. Salvatore presented the request.

Motion made by A. Varricchio seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$80,441**.

41. Youth Services -\$101,392

Recreation Director S. Schein presented the request.

Motion made by A. Varricchio seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$101,392**.

42. Recreation Department -\$366,188

Recreation Director S. Schein presented the request.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$366,188**.

20. Planning Commission -\$2,140

Motion made by P. Ahlquist seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve \$2,140.

21. Zoning Board of Appeals -\$1,100

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve \$1,100.

22. Inland Wetlands -\$1,685

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve \$1,685.

23. Developer/Planner -\$85,288

Director of Developmental Services J. Mazurek presented the request.

Motion made by A. Spotts seconded by R. Newton and *unanimously carried* to approve \$85,288.

The consensus of the board was that this item should be included in the Developmental Services Department for future budgets.

24. Development Compliance -\$70,048

Director of Developmental Services J. Mazurek presented the request.

Motion made by A. Spotts seconded by A. Halibozek to approve. Discussion followed.

Amended Motion made by A. Varricchio seconded by A. Halibozek and *unanimously carried* to decrease the part time line by \$1,000.

Main Motion *unanimously carried* to approve \$69,048.

The consensus of the board was that this item should be included in the Developmental Services Department for future budgets.

25. Conservation Commission -\$1,250

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve \$1,250.

26. Developmental Services/Engineering -\$335,698

Director of Developmental Services J. Mazurek presented the request.

Motion made by A. Spotts seconded by R. Newton and *unanimously carried* to approve \$335,698.

27. Building Inspection -\$154,066

Director of Developmental Services J. Mazurek and Building Official D. Jolley presented the request.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts to approve. Discussion followed regarding the request for costs incurred in the performance of emergency repairs or emergency demolition of a structure.

Amended Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to reduce the Contracting Services line by \$1,000, for the item discussed above.

Main Motion *unanimously carried* to approve \$153,066.

28. Public Works – Administration -\$174,806

Public Works Director Hood presented the request.

Motion made by A. Spotts seconded by R. Newton and *unanimously carried* to approve \$174,806.

29. Solid Waste Removal -\$688,360

Public Works Director Hood presented the request.

Motion made by A. Varricchio seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve \$688,360.

30. Highway Department -\$1,157,272

Public Works Director Hood presented the request.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve \$1,157,272

30.VM. Vehicle Maintenance -\$267,427

Public Works Director Hood presented the request.

Motion made by P. Ahlquist seconded by A. Halibozek and *unanimously carried* to approve \$267,427.

31. Building Maintenance -\$504,663

Public Works Director Hood presented the request.

Motion made by P. Ahlquist seconded by R. Newton and *unanimously carried* to approve \$504,663.

32. Parks & Grounds -\$283,094

Public Works Director Hood presented the request.

Motion made by A. Spotts seconded by A. Varricchio and *unanimously carried* to approve \$283,094.

33. Public Works – Other Expense -\$450,125

Public Works Director Hood presented the request.

Motion made by A. Spotts seconded by A. Halibozek and *unanimously carried* to approve \$450,125.

34. Emergency Management -\$9,700

Emergency Management Director F. Curtin presented the request.

Motion made by P. Ahlquist seconded by A. Varricchio and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$9,700**.

37. Health Department -\$149,255

Motion made by A. Varricchio seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve **\$149,255**.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

John M. Flanders
First Selectman