

**TOWN OF CROMWELL
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2007
7:10 P.M. TOWN HALL ROOM 224/5**

MINUTES

Present: First Selectman P. Beaulieu, Deputy First Selectman S. Stachura, R. Newton,
A. Waters, M. Johnson, S. Salvatore, F. Monnes

Absent:

Also Present, Chief of Police A. Salvatore, Director of Finance M. Sylvester, Assessor S.
O'Neil, Public and Press

A. CALL TO ORDER

First Selectman Beaulieu called the regular meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

Under E. Financial, 2 Tax Refunds, a. #15. Ernest A. Lindstrom -\$7.78, b. #7. Lisa Pentlicki - \$21.74, #8. Kathy Miller -\$9.84, #9. Elden T. Brown or Kyle Jacobsen - \$43.94, #10 David Meyer -\$81.59, c. #2. Edward A. Wasicki Jr. -\$267.25.

Under G. New Business, #3. Discussion and possible action to direct School Building Committee to conduct testing of athletic fields at Woodside Intermediate School.

Under F. Old Business, #2. Update Alcap Property, #3. Update Skate Board Park, #4. Update LaCore Property, #5. Update Bleachers, #6. Town Hall Sign status, #7. Discussion Charter Revision, #8. Discussion and update Recyclables, #9. Update Washington Road Sidewalks

Under I. Resignations, #3. Zoning Board of Appeals a. Kevin Clark, Alternate.

Under J. Appointments, 1. Planning and Zoning, #2. Vincent Faienza, Alternate Member, Term expires December 2007.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by S. Stachura and *unanimously carried* to approve the agenda as amended.

C. CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. B. Jahn, Woodside Road –Advised that the Trash Trucks are starting before 7:00 a.m.
2. R. Townsend, 66 Pasco Hill Road, Chairman P&Z –Asked that members of various boards and commissions that attend P&Z Meetings be respectful.
3. E. Corciullo, Glenwood Terrace –Spoke regarding several items of interest and agreed with Mr. Jahn that the Trash Haulers are starting before 7:00 a.m.
4. C. Licht, North Road-Spoke regarding the Christian Hill Road bridge project and the hazardous conditions of the playground at Pierson Park.

5. H. Zalewski, Geer Street-Advised that wood from a tree that was taken down on Raymond Place is blocking the road and also stated that she thinks that cats should be not be allowed in Town Hall.
6. P. Keithan, Iron Gate Lane –Stated that he is appalled by the poor condition of the Woodside Intermediate School fields.
7. A. Varricchio, Kowal Drive-Disgusted with the Trash Haulers and thinks that recyclables should be picked up every week. Mr. Varricchio presented a petition to the First Selectman signed by residents who believe in the weekly pickup of recyclables.
8. D. Putnam, Christian Hill Road –Spoke regarding the Christian Hill Bridge Project.
9. O. Cleland, Christian Hill Road - Spoke regarding the Christian Hill Bridge Project.
10. F. Monnes-speaking as a private citizen to bring up a positive topic spoke regarding the letters of appreciation on this evening’s agenda.
11. A. Halibozek, Christian Hill Road- Spoke regarding several topics including the history of the Christian Hill Bridge Project. Ms. Halibozek also inquired how much in taxes Lowe’s would bring to Cromwell.
12. Chris Licht, North Road- Spoke regarding the Christian Hill Bridge Project.
13. O. Cleland, Christian Hill Road- Spoke regarding the Christian Hill Bridge Project.
14. B. Jahn, Woodside Road, and Vice Chairman of Economic Development- Requested that action is taken as soon as possible to move the Transfer Station Road for Economic Development purposes.
15. H. Zaleski, Geer Street-Spoke regarding speeders on Geer Street.
16. A. Halibozek, Christian Hill Road- Spoke regarding the Christian Hill Bridge Project.
17. R. Waters, South Street-Stated that the Ordinance prohibiting grass being blown into road should be enforced.

D. STAFF AND COMMISSION CHAIRMAN REPORTS

Public Works Director Jahn submitted a written Projected Work Assignment Report. In the absence of Public Works Director Jahn, First Selectman Beaulieu updated the board regarding the Bellaire Manor Catch Basin Project and the progress of the Evergreen Road Project. First Selectman Beaulieu also informed the board that the ceiling is falling down at the Sewer Garage and that the Town has taken delivery of the new senior bus.

E. FINANCIAL

1. Budget Reports

Finance Director Sylvester presented the budget reports.

No action necessary

2. Tax Refunds

a. Assessor Adjustments

1. Edward James -\$7.78

2. David Lewis -\$6.85

3. Arthur Drivdahl -\$8.30
4. Allen T. Negrini -\$7.78
5. August J. Reil Jr. -\$7.78
6. William J. Reiman -\$7.78
7. John Nettis Sr -\$7.78
8. James H. Elston -\$8.30
9. Peter Bozzo -\$7.78
10. Richard Gish -\$8.30
11. James Jaskot -\$7.78
12. Michael Henclewski -\$3.74
13. Allen Blair -\$7.78
14. Michael or Susan Carlson -\$3.74
15. Ernest A. Lindstrom -\$7.78

b. Sold, Junked or Traded

1. Daniel Dalzin -\$232.59
2. Angelo S. Tine -\$10.80
3. Metcalf Scozzava -\$18.47
4. Antonino Carta -\$83.88
5. William Catenzaro -\$30.83
6. USB Leasing LT -\$301.44
7. Lisa Pentlicki -\$21.74
8. Kathy Miller -\$9.84
9. Elden T. Brown or Kyle Jacobsen -\$43.94
10. David Meyer -\$81.59

c. Veteran Exemption Applied/Not Applied

1. Mary Edith Bowman -\$138.05
2. Edward A. Wasicki Jr. -\$267.25

Motion made by S. Stachura seconded by R. Newton and *unanimously carried* to approve Tax Refunds a, b and c.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Accept Robertson Road and Kelly Lane as Town Roads -Tabled
Left on table
2. Update Alcap Property
First Selectman Beaulieu advised that no further correspondence was received.
3. Update Skate Board Park
First Selectman Beaulieu advised that the additional funding needed for the project would be discussed during CNR.
4. Update LaCore Property
First Selectman Beaulieu advised that Zoning/Wetland Enforcement Officer met with Mr. LaCore and gave him a punch list for the property
5. Update Bleachers
First Selectman Beaulieu advised that the bleachers are being manufactured.
6. Town Hall Sign status
First Selectman Beaulieu advised that no bids were received for the project.
7. Discussion Charter Revision
After discussion it was the consensus of the board to appoint a Charter Revision Commission.
8. Discussion and update Recyclables
First Selectman Beaulieu advised that the two primary reasons that All Waste went to an every other week recyclable pickup was because the trucks were coming back only half full and the fees would have to be increased because of the increased cost of fuel. The Transfer Station now accepts recyclables without punching the resident's card and Allwaste will deliver extra containers to residents upon request.
9. Update Washington Road Sidewalks
Item will be discussed during G2.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and action regarding ZBA fee waiver request for 2nd Corriveau hearing.

Motion made by S. Stachura seconded by A. Waters and *unanimously carried* to approve ZBA fee waiver request (\$130.00) from M. Corriveau.

2. Discussion and action on proposed bid waiver for Washington Road Sidewalk project.

First Selectman Beaulieu presented the request. A lengthy discussion followed.

The consensus of the board was to not approve the bid waiver and send the project out to bid.

Motion made by A. Waters seconded by S. Stachura and *unanimously carried* to send the Washington Road Sidewalk project out to bid.

3. Discussion and possible action to direct School Building Committee to conduct testing of athletic fields at Woodside Intermediate School.

Motion made by A. Waters seconded by S. Stachura and *carried* to authorize the First Selectman to call a joint meeting with members of the School Building Committee, the Town Attorney and possibly Turner Construction and also to approve an appropriation of not more than \$10,000 for Soil Sample borings contingent on Town Attorney's advise.

Aye: A. Waters, R. Newton, S. Stachura, S. Salvatore, F. Monnes

Nay: M. Johnson

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. IBPO Union Contract business

Motion made by S. Stachura seconded by A. Waters and *unanimously carried* to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:30 p.m.

Chief Salvatore was invited into Executive Session.

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by S. Stachura and *unanimously carried* to come out Executive Session at 9:46 p.m.

Motion made by S. Stachura seconded by R. Newton and *unanimously carried* to authorize the First Selectman to sign MOU modifying the Police Contract.

I. RESIGNATIONS

1. Planning and Zoning
 - a. Philip E. Halibozek
2. Senior Advisory Committee
 - a. Mertie Terry
3. Zoning Board of Appeals
 - a. Kevin Clark, Alternate

Motion made by S. Stachura seconded by A. Waters and *unanimously carried* to accept resignations 1, 2 and 3 with regret.

J. APPOINTMENTS

1. Planning and Zoning

- a. Barry McGuinness, Regular Member, Term expires November 2007
- b. Vincent Faienza, Alternate Member, Term expires December 2007.

Motion made R. Newton seconded by S. Stachura and *unanimously carried* to approve appointments a. & b.

K. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting July 11, 2007

Motion made by S. Stachura seconded by F. Monnes and *carried* to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2007 regular meeting.

Aye: A. Waters, R. Newton, S. Stachura, M. Johnson, F. Monnes

Abstained: S. Salvatore

L. SELECTMEN COMMISSION REPORTS

None

M. GOOD AND WELFARE

1. Letters of appreciation

- a. From First Selectman to Cemetery Board
- b. From Jensen's Fund to Town and especially staff members:
 - 1. Recreation Director Sue Schein
 - 2. Highway Department employees Russ Brainerd and Mike Fuller
- c. From Travelers Championship Tournament Director Nathan Grube to:
First Selectman Beaulieu, Chief of Police Salvatore, Captain Nelson, Building Inspector Jolley, Compliance Officer Curtin, Town Planner Minor, Health Director Bell and the P&Z Commission

- S. Stachura commented that the article in the Middletown Press regarding Lily, the Tax Office Cat was a positive article.
- Discussion regarding use of 'old' voting machines.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by R. Newton seconded by S. Stachura and *unanimously carried* to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Re Matus
Secretary

Paul C. Beaulieu
First Selectman