

**TOWN OF CROMWELL BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023 7:00 pm
CROMWELL TOWN HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MEETING MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman John Ireland, Dan Kelly, Ed Maley, Brian Stermer, Anne Hulick, Julie Aurigemma

ABSENT: Matthew Blanchette, Vice Chairman Steve Wygonowski

ALSO PRESENT: Town Manager Anthony Salvatore, Director of Finance Sharon DeVoe, Katherine Russ
Board of Education member, Tax Assessor Shawna Baron

A. CALL TO ORDER – Chairman John Ireland called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

C. APPROVE AGENDA

1. John Ireland asked to add Board of Education update after Citizen's comments and move Set hearing and deliberation dates down to F2 and add discussion and possible action for a supplemental appropriation from the General Fund to Revenue Collectors' Budget in the amount of \$52,000 due to negotiated settlements and changes to legislation as the new F1.

D. SEAT ALTERNATES – Julie Aurigemma filled in for Vice Chairman Steve Wygonowski, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES. Anne Hulick filled in for Matthew Blanchette, ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

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E. CITIZENS COMMENTS – None

F. BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE – Katherine Russ gave a brief update about the Board of Education budget. She mentioned that the schools had their science fair. Winter sports are wrapping up.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action for a supplemental appropriation from the General Fund to the Revenue Collectors' Budget in the amount of \$52,000 due to negotiated settlements after mediation and changes to legislation.
 - a. Dan Kelly made a motion to discuss and take possible action for a supplemental appropriation from the General Fund to the Revenue Collectors' Budget in the amount of \$52,000 due to negotiated settlements after mediation and changes to legislation, Brian Stermer seconded. Tax Assessor, Shawna Baron, presented to request. There were two settlements that need to be paid, solar panels and Group Homes. Discussion followed on the two cases and why the Town needed to make the request at this meeting. There was also discussion on having more information about the request. Town Manager, Anthony Salvatore, asked to table this matter and the Town will try to get by until the next meeting, however if they need to the Town will call for a special meeting. Dan Kelly made a motion to table this decision, seconded by Brian Stermer. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.
2. Set Hearing and Deliberation dates for the 2023-23024 budget.

- a. After a brief discussion the Board decided to meet on Tuesday April 4th, Monday April 10th and Wednesday April 12th. All meeting will start at 6PM. Ed Maley made a motion to approve the dates set by the Board, seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Regular Meeting, January 26, 2023

- a. Ed Maley made a motion to approve the minutes from January 26, 2023, seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

I. REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

1. Town Manager, Anthony Salvatore, had the Town Assessor come out and address the Grand List. Anthony Salvatore then went into the economical development around the town. He also mentioned the budget was coming in with no increase.

J. REPORT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

1. Director of Finance, Sharon DeVoe, presented the current year budget through the end of January.

K. REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

1. Director of Finance, Sharon DeVoe presented the Tax Collector report. They have collected 96.31% compared to 97 last year.

L. SCHOOL BUILDING UPDATE- None

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS – on Monday at 7 the two town parties will be giving a presentation on the budget. The mil rate meeting on May 2nd.

N. VICE CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS - None

O. GOOD AND WELFARE - None

- P. ADJOURNMENT – Ed Maley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dan Kelly. Meeting adjourned at 9:04PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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