

**TOWN OF CROMWELL, CT  
BOARD OF FINANCE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022 7:00 pm  
CROMWELL BELDEN LIBRARY – BELDEN ROOM  
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman John Ireland, Vice Chairman Steve Wygonowski, Dan Kelly, Ed Maley, Matthew Blanchette, Brian Stermer, Alternate Gail Richey, Alternate Anne Hulick

ALSO PRESENT: Town Manager Anthony Salvatore, Director of Finance Marianne Sylvester, Assistant Director of Finance Sharon DeVoe, Board of Education Chairman Celina Kelleher, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Enza Macri, Board of Education Director of Financial Services Ann Burke, Board of Education Director of HR Michele DiMauro

CALL TO ORDER - Chairman John Ireland called the meeting to order at 7:10PM

SEAT ALTERNATES – No alternates were seated

DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS ON THE 2022-2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

**BUDGET LINE #47 BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Board of Education budget of \$33,996,415; Ed Maley seconded.

Lengthily discussion followed on specific items on the budget items including grants and American Rescue Plan Act Funds. There was additional discussion on positions funded by ARPA and special educations costs/tuition and how they are projected.

**Dan Kelly, Ed Maley, Steve Wygonowski, Matthew Blanchette, and Brian Stermer voter in favor of the motion. John Ireland voted against the motion. Motion Passes.**

Chairman John Ireland called for a break at 8:41PM. Meeting resumed at 8:51PM.

**BUDGET LINE #35 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Emergency Management budget of \$21,050; Dan Kelly Seconded. Discussion followed. **All in Favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #38 HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Health Department budget of \$205,377; Matthew Blanchette seconded. Discussion followed about staffing. **All in Favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #39 HUMAN SERVICES**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Human Services budget of \$137,217; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #40 SENIOR SERVICES**

Dan Kelly made a motion to approve the Senior Services budget of \$136,972; Ed Maley seconded. Discussion followed. **All in Favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #41 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Transportation Services budget of \$152,064; Ed Maley seconded. Discussion followed on fuel. **All in Favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #42 YOUTH SERVICES**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Youth Services budget of \$107,755; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion followed on what services are provided through this department. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #43 RECREATION**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Recreation budget of \$277,639; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion followed on the different programs that were provided through the Recreation Department. **All in favor. Motion passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #44 LIBRARY**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Library budget of \$653,393; Ed Maley seconded. Discussion followed. **All in favor. Motion passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #1 TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Town Manager's Office budget of \$387,846; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion followed on staffing. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #2 TOWN CLERK**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Town Clerk budget of \$215,953; Ed Maley seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #3 ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Elections Department budget of \$80,209; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #4 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Economic Development budget of \$21,402; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #4A REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Redevelopment Agency budget of \$900; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #5 DEVELOPER/PLANNER**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Developer/Planner budget of \$140,299; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion followed on salaries. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #6 DEVELOPMENT COMPLIANCE**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Development Compliance budget of \$109,799; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #7 BUILDING INSPECTIONS**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Building Inspections budget of \$210,771; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion on where the increase is from. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #8 FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Finance Department budget of \$443,179; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #9 REVENUE COLLECTION**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Revenue Collection budget of \$159,943; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #10 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Assessor's Office budget of \$246,990; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #12 DONATIONS AND DUES**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Donations and Dues budget of \$49,872; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #13 LEGAL EXPENSES**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Legal expenses budget of \$232,100; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion on Attorney fees and contractual obligations.

**Dan Kelly, Steve Wygonowski, John Ireland, Matt Blanchette and Brian Stermer voted in favor of the motion. Ed Maley voted against the motion. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #14 CENTRAL SERVICES**

Dan Kelly made a motion to approve the Central Services budget of \$210,401; Steve Wygonowski seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #15 INSURANCE EXPENSES**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Insurance Expenses budget \$607,610; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion followed on looking at other insurance firms. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #17 TOWN COUNCIL**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Town Council budget \$42,130; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #18 BOARD OF FINANCE**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Board of Finance budget of \$1,350; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #20 CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Charter Revision Committee budget of \$3,000; Dan Kelly seconded. Ed Maley amended the motion to add a new line item, contractual services and add \$50,000; Dan Kelly seconded. Discussion followed on having an attorney look at the charter and if this request should be in CNR. Ed Maley withdrew his motion and Dan Kelly withdrew his second. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #21 BOARD OF ASSESSMENT**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Board of Assessment budget of \$1,200; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #22 COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT DISABLED**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Committee to Support Disabled budget of \$100; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #23 PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Planning and Zoning Committee budget of \$3,525; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #24 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals budget of \$1,250; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #25 INLAND WETLANDS**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the Inland Wetlands budget of \$1,900; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

**BUDGET LINE #26 CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve the conservation committee budget of \$1,210; Dan Kelly seconded. **All in favor. Motion Passes.**

ADJOURNMENT – Steve Wygonowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Brian Stermer seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:19PM

Respectfully Submitted

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