

**TOWN OF CROMWELL  
TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 14, 2015  
7:00 PM TOWN HALL ROOM 224/5**

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TOWN CLERK

**MINUTES**

Present: Mayor E. Faienza, Deputy Mayor R. Newton, A. Waters, A. Spotts, M. Terry, S. Banic

Absent: F. Emanuele

Also Present: Town Manager A. Salvatore, Chief of Police D. LaMontagne, Director of Finance M. Sylvester, Director of Public Works L. Spina, members of the public

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Faienza called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

M. Terry and A. Spotts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion** made by R. Newton seconded by A. Spotts to approve the agenda.

Mayor Faienza added 5a. Approve to appropriate \$46,500 within the CNR Fund for the 2015-16 DUI grant. A. Spotts added a moment of silence to honor George Schmaltz

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

*A moment of silence was held in honor of George Schmaltz's passing*

**D. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS**

None

**E. COMMISSION CHAIRMAN REPORTS/LIAISON REPORTS**

Liaison Board of Education P. Sousa

**F. CITIZEN COMMENTS (\*Rules at the end of the agenda)**

None

**G. MAYOR'S REPORT**

- The business tours continue, in July Northeast Quality Engineering
- The next business tour will be to the Arborio Corporation on Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:30.
- Spoke regarding an email from Dr. Taulty about the Smart Start Grant funds. This grant will help to support expansion for preK and we would be eligible for \$75,000 in capital funds and an additional \$75,000 for operational funding for a

total of \$150,000 for the first year with an additional \$75,000 for each year thereafter. Dr. Taulty feels like the Town Council's backing would make the application stronger.

- Chief Salvatore's retirement party was held last week. It was well attended and a wonderful tribute to his police career.
- The first Mayor's Ball was Saturday Night. It was a wonderful event and honored four deserving individuals.
- Halloween on Main will be held Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> from 4 until 9 p.m.
- Mayor Faienza thanked the Council for working together and for all they accomplished over past two years.

#### **H. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

- The truck that was purchased to replace the Mason Dump Truck was parked outside so the Council could see it.
- The Town lost \$70,500 in State PILOT funds, he and Finance Director Sylvester are monitoring the impact this may have on the budget.
- Complimented the Highway Crew for installing the reflective material and chevrons on stop signs at the major intersections in town. They hope to expand the program and do more signs in town.
- He and the Public Works Director met with Skip O'Toole who will hay 4-5 acres in Evergreen Hill Park. They will continue to look at other areas to reclaim.
- DEEP will not allow a road to go to the top of Evergreen Hill Park; they gave permission for an 8' walking trail to the top of the hill. The trail will be plowed in the winter so it can be used to get to the top of the hill for sledding.
- DEEP will allow a pavilion and they will look at installing one at the top of the hill sometime in the future.
- County Line Road is progressing; it is in the hands of our Town Attorney.
- The American Legion submitted plans for Valor Green and Town Manager Salvatore would like to allow them to start the project if the Council doesn't object. (The consensus of the Council was that it would be ok for them to proceed with the wall. Any request to install Military Equipment on Valor Green must come before the Town Council).
- He will be sitting down with the Cromwell Outboard Association to negotiate the six month extension of their lease as directed by Town Council.
- The CCM Prescription Drug Program has resulted in a savings of over \$14,000 for our residents. Kudos were given to Senior/Human Services Director Joy Hollister for bringing this program to Cromwell.
- Public Works Director Spina will present the Bulky Waste Collection that will begin next week. Residents that live on public roads will be allowed pickup of 5 items for each household.

#### **I. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT**

- September 2015 statistics passed out
- Over 8200 calls for service

- Captain VanderSloot promoted on October 5<sup>th</sup>
- Kyle Perricone sworn in Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, and went to the academy on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Officer Dan Howley resigned
- In the process of hiring 2 officers for December academy
- Final stages of hiring a dispatcher, who should be in place 2-3 weeks
- Urgent Care Center is celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup> year anniversary from Thursday to Saturday and we will be there on Saturday between 12-4 with Child ID kits
- Assisting in preparation for the CDMA & PTO for Halloween on Main and Trick or Trunk
- Captain and I will be going to Coventry PD to view their carport next week.

#### **J. PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Public Works Director's update is attached to the minutes.

*Mayor Faienza asked for a two minute recess. He turned the meeting over to Deputy Mayor Newton and left for a family emergency.*

*Deputy Mayor R. Newton called the meeting back to order at 7:40 p.m.*

#### **K. FINANCIAL**

##### **1. Budget Reports**

Finance Director Sylvester presented the budget reports.

- 2015-16 budget reports for revenue and expenditures were provided through September 2015, along with a quarterly summary
- No areas of concern; however we received notification through CCM that our State PILOT grants were reduced by \$70,500.
- Auditors have been on site for the past three weeks. No issues have been raised. They should be wrapping up over the next couple of weeks and we should have our report by the beginning of December.

##### **2. Tax Refunds**

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve Tax Refunds 1 - 101.

##### **3. Discussion and action to approve Building Permit Fee Refund, #23527, Leonard Shaw, \$56.30.**

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by M. Terry and *unanimously carried* to approve Building Permit Fee Refund, #23527, Leonard Shaw, \$56.30.

##### **4. Discussion and possible action to reimburse legal fees (collection) for F/Y 12/13. (John Watts \$1,799.85)**

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to Reimburse legal fees (collection)for F/Y 12/13. (John Watts \$1,799.85)

5. Discussion and action to apply for and receive 75%-25% DUI Law Enforcement Grant.

Chief LaMontagne presented the request.

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by M. Terry and *unanimously carried* to approve applying for and receiving 75% - 25% DUI Law Enforcement Grant.

**Motion** made by A. Spotts seconded by M. Terry and *unanimously carried* to appropriate \$46,500 within the CNR Fund for the 2015-16 DUI grant.

#### **L. STAFF REPORTS**

None

#### **M. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Presentation by consulting engineer on possible sites for a new DPW/CWPCA facility with discussion and possible action to follow. -*Tabled*

*Left tabled*

2. Continue discussion and possible action on Solid Waste Report. -*Tabled*

*Left tabled*

3. Discussion and possible action regarding Street Light Program. -*Tabled*

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to remove from the table.

Jack Hanley and his team from ESCO made a presentation to the Council. Public Works Director L. Spina stated that he is comfortable with the Street Light proposal and endorsed taking the next step.

A short question and answer period followed and the consensus of the Council was to move forward.

#### **N. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approve establishing a Streetlight Acquisition & Conversion Fund and appropriate [up to] \$350,000 for the acquisition of the streetlight fixtures and poles from Eversource. (If Unfinished Business #3. is approved by Council)

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to appropriate [up to] \$350,000 from General Fund/Fund Balance for the acquisition of the streetlight fixtures and poles from Eversource.

2. Discussion and action to approve Recreation Department pay schedule.

Town Manager Salvatore informed the Council that the pay schedule is usually submitted during the budget process by was left out this year in error.

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by A. Spotts and *unanimously carried* to approve Recreation Department pay schedule.

3. Discussion and action to revise Transfer Station Rules.

Public Works Director Spina presented the request. Mr. Spina advised that the passes will cost \$25.00 for twenty trips to the Transfer Station; brush, oil and antifreeze will not cost a punch.

**Motion** made by A. Spotts seconded by A. Waters and *carried* to revise Transfer Station Rules. (Attached to minutes)

Aye: A. Spotts, A. Waters, R. Newton

Nay: M. Terry, S. Banic

*Motion carried*

4. Discussion and possible action for the construction of splash pad.

Town Manager Salvatore and Public Works Director Spina presented the request.

The Council previous approved installing the Splash Pad at Pierson Park with a budgeted amount of \$100,000. Public Works Director Spina found that if the Splash Pad is installed at Pierson Park the cost would be \$119,144.02 and would include a smaller structure. It would cost \$130,990.01 for the larger structure that was originally proposed with the possibility of what might be found at that site when the ground is disturbed. The cost of remediation could be enormous.

Town Manager Salvatore and Public Works Director's Spina's recommendation is to install the Splash Pad at Watrous Park at a cost of \$107,744.91 for the larger pad. Watrous Park also has the advantage of more parking spaces than Pierson Park.

A brief discussion followed.

**Motion** made by A. Waters seconded by S. Banic and *unanimously carried* to approve Option #3. (Includes a larger structure at Watrous Park. The cost of equipment is \$50,528.17 and the construction and installation is \$57,216.74. This brings the total cost to \$107,744.91)

5. Approve Resolution authorizing Town Manager Anthony J. Salvatore to execute Personal Service Agreements with the State of Connecticut on behalf of the Town of Cromwell.

**Motion** made by S. Banic seconded by A. Waters and *unanimously carried* to approve the Resolution authorizing Town Manager Anthony J. Salvatore to execute Personal Service Agreements with the State of Connecticut on behalf of the Town of Cromwell.

**O. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Special Meeting, September 9, 2015

**Motion** made by A. Spotts seconded by S. Banic and *unanimously carried* to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 9, 2015.

2. Regular Meeting, September 9, 2015

**Motion** made by S. Banic seconded by A. Waters and *unanimously carried* to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 9, 2015.

**P. RESIGNATIONS**

1. Parks and Recreation Commission

a. Tony Amenta

**Motion** made by S. Banic seconded by A. Waters and *unanimously carried* to accept Mr. Amenta's resignation with regret.

**Q. APPOINTMENTS**

None

**R. TOWN COUNCIL COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS**

E. Faienza -P&Z

R. Newton -P&Z and CWPCA. Deputy Mayor Newton attended the Portland Fair (on behalf of Mayor Faienza) to honor the American Legion Baseball Teams. He was well received by the teams and the Mayor's Proclamation was appreciated.

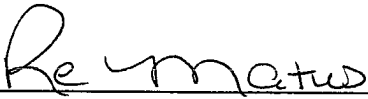
A. Waters-Historical Society

A. Spotts -Fire District

**S. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** made by A. Spotts seconded by A. Waters and *unanimously carried* to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Re Matus", is written over a horizontal line.

Re Matus  
Secretary

## Incident Statistics Report

09/01/2015 00:00 Thru 09/30/2015 23:59

Call Type Description	Total for Period
911 Hang Up Call	12
Administrative Matter	14
Alarm - All types	54
All Other Offenses	9
Animal Complaint	41
Assault, Simple	2
Assist Motorist	22
Assist Other Agency	24
Burglary	1
Car Seat Installation	3
Counterfeit/Forgery	2
Credit Card/ATM Fraud	1
Criminal Mischief / Vandalism	5
Dis Conduct/BOP	1
Domestic Incident	6
Drug/Narcotic Violation	1
DUI	1
Fingerprinting	49
FV Protocol / P.A.	10
Harrassing Phone Calls	2
Identity Theft	7
Impaired / Intox Person	3
Juvenile Incident	6
Larceny - From Building	1
Larceny - From MV	15
Larceny -Shoplifting	12
Larceny- Other	7
Medical Emergency	50
Missing Person	1
MV Accident	24
MV - Recovered	1
MV ACCIDENT PRIV PROP	8
MV Parking Violation	6
MV Theft	4
MV Violation	133
Neighbor Dispute	1
Noise Complaint	8
Nursing Home Fax Report	4
Property Check	78

## Incident Statistics Report

09/01/2015 00:00 Thru 09/30/2015 23:59

Call Type Description	Total for Period
Property Lost/Found	13
Record Only Call	3
Report of Gunshot	1
Road Cond/TCS Out	5
See Complainant	34
Serve Warrant INFO	1
Suicide	1
Suspicious Activity	73
TEST CALL	14
Threaten/Harass/Intimidation	1
Traffic Assignment	4
Trespassing	2
Unfounded Complaint	9
Untimely Death	1
Unwanted Person	2
Weapon Law Violations	1
Well Being Check	15
<b>Total:</b>	<b>809</b>





**Town of Cromwell**  
**Transfer Station Rules & Regulations**

**TUESDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY**

**HOURS: 8:00AM - 3:00PM**

**PHONE # (860) 632-3420**

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**Transfer Station is located at 100 County Line Road off Rte. 3 (Shunpike Rd)  
at the Rocky Hill Border**

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**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**RESIDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PRESENT VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE / ID WITH CURRENT TRANSFER STATION PASS.**

**The address on the pass must match the Driver's License / ID of vehicle occupant. Pass may be subject to confiscation by Transfer Station Operator(s) and may be returned only upon review by management.**

**Beginning January 1, 2016 there will be a charge of \$25.00 payable by check or money order made out to the Town of Cromwell for an Annual Transfer Station Pass. Each residential Cromwell property is permitted one pass per year. Lost passes are subject to an additional \$25.00 replacement fee. Replacement fee is to be made payable to the Town of Cromwell in the form of a check or money order.**

**Transfer Station Passes, including One-Day/Special Passes will now be available in the Town Hall, 41 West Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Public Works Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. and from the Transfer Station on County Line Road on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays during operational hours of 8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.**

**Residents obtaining assistance in the transporting of materials from their residence must obtain a One Day Pass either at the Town Hall or the Transfer Station (see hours above). The One-Day Pass must be presented along with the resident's valid Transfer Station Pass to gain access to the facility.**

**No hydraulic dump beds and/or hydraulic dump trailers will be allowed to operate in metal or C & D (Construction & Demolition) areas. Hydraulic dumps may be allowed in the brush area at the discretion of the Transfer Station Operator.**

**Violators of the Transfer Station policy(s) are subject to fines and/or loss of privileges.**

**Facility is DEEP permitted for Cromwell residential only. No exceptions.**

**Unauthorized vehicles, non-residents are subject to criminal prosecution.**

**FOR YOUR SAFETY AT THE TRANSFER STATION, CHILDREN UNDER 12 &  
PETS MUST REMAIN IN VEHICLE AT ALL TIMES – NO EXCEPTIONS**

## **UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

**HOUSEHOLD TRASH** (each resident is responsible to hire their own private trash hauler)

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE** (see Hazwaste Collection Handout provided at Transfer Station or the Cromwell Website: [www.cromwellct.com](http://www.cromwellct.com))

**PAINTS & STAINS**: Oil Based paint / stains: oil-based paint and stains should be taken to a local Household Hazardous Waste collection center or one-day collection event.

**GASOLINE**

**STUMPS**

Transfer station operators may refuse any and all materials they deem to be unacceptable per DEEP permit compliance and vendor hauling restrictions.

## **ACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

**ANTI-FREEZE (Spent)**: Anti-freeze only (Maximum 5-gallons per day)

**APPLIANCES- FREON CONTAINING**: Air conditioners, dehumidifiers, freezers, and refrigerators, all doors must be removed - limit 2 items per day (requires issued transfer station pass)

**USED BATTERIES (Used)**: Lead Acid- automobile, truck, motorcycle, boat etc, Nickel Cadmium- Cell phones with or without batteries (alkaline batteries may be thrown in the household trash or taken to the HHW events)

**BOOKS**: Place in designated container

**BRUSH**: Brush and tree limbs - maximum length 8' \*see Brush Policy handout

**C & D**: (Construction & Demolition) materials - 8' length maximum, roofing & siding - 1 square per day - Total load is limited to 3 cubic yards per day (requires issued transfer station pass)

**CLEAN FILL (NO DIRT)**: Concrete, bricks & asphalt - 3 cubic yards maximum per day (requires issued transfer station pass)

**CLEAN WOOD**: Non-painted, non-stained & non-treated wood. (requires issued transfer station pass) – to be placed in designated area.

**CLOTHES AND SHOES**: Clean garments only in plastic bags - place inside clothing container (no loose clothing or shoes)

**COOKING OIL**: Used – Pour oil in tank provided. (Maximum of 5 gallons per day)

**CORRUGATED CARDBOARD**: Flattened and place in recycling container

**ELECTRONICS:** Computers, Computer Monitors, Computer Mice, Computer Keyboards, Printers, TV's, VCR's, and DVD Players - Place in E-Waste container

**FLOURESCENT BULBS (Spent):** Place in designated container.

**GLASS FOOD CONTAINERS:** Place in recycling container (containers must be rinsed and contaminate free)

**LEAVES:** Unbagged, dumped in assigned area

**MATTRESSES & BOX SPRINGS:** Place in container provided. Required Transfer Station Pass to be punched for each mattress or box spring set. (Limit 6 units per year)

**METAL FOOD CONTAINERS:** Place in recycling container (containers must be rinsed and contaminate free)

**MSW: (oversized)** Household furniture, non-metal fixtures etc. (requires issued transfer station pass)

**NEWSPAPER:** Place in recycling container

**OIL (Used):** Crank case, transmission, kerosene, diesel and hydraulic - not from machines (Maximum of 5 gallons per day)

**OIL FILTERS (Used):** Drain oil into oil tank provided @ facility before discarding into oil filter recycle barrel

**PLASTIC CONTAINERS (coded #1 thru #7 within recycling triangle on container) ONLY:**  
Place in recycling container

**PROPANE TANKS (Empty):** Limit of 2 – 20lb or smaller cylinders per day

**PHONE BOOKS/MAGAZINES:** Assorted catalogs & magazines accepted- place in recycling container

**SCRAP METAL:** Bicycle, tools, water heaters, lawn chairs, bed frames, washers, dryers, microwaves (all non-metal materials must be removed prior to dumping)

**TIRES:** Maximum of 4 tires per day. (Maximum 12 per year. Tires up to 23", high performance passenger tire and 19.5" light truck are acceptable. ALL TIRES MUST BE OFF RIMS. (Requires issued transfer station pass)

**ALTERNATE SITES FOR DISPOSAL** - Information on this service is provided as a courtesy and in no way implies Town of Cromwell endorsement.

**Demolition and Bulky Waste:**

**CWPM**

**Christian Lane, Berlin, CT**

**(860) 828-1162 for information**

**Website: cwpm.net**

**Hours of Operation:**

**Monday-Friday 5:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**Saturday 5:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**



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**Brush Policy**

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Residential brush and limbs are accepted to a maximum of 8' lengths.

Transfer Station cards will no longer be punched for residential brush loads.

Cromwell Resident Landscapers will be issued 4 brush visits per year using their commercial vehicle/trailer from their personal property.

All Landscapers are still required to have resident obtain a 1 day pass to gain access to the Transfer Station when performing work for a Cromwell resident.

Any loads found to be coming from properties outside of Cromwell will result in loss of privileges and/or fines for the contractor.



(b) False statement is a class A misdemeanor.



**Berlin Transfer Station**  
**415 Christian Lane**  
**Berlin, CT 06037**  
**860-828-1162 \* Fax 860-828-3162**

**ITEMS ACCEPTED:**

- Bulky Waste: Construction & Demolition Waste, Land clearing Debris, & Furniture
- Brush
- White Metals: Appliances, Bicycles, Propane Tanks (With Valves Removed)
- Lawnmowers: With Fluids Removed
- Clean Fill: Concrete, & Asphalt
- Cardboard
- **Mattresses: \$30.00 EACH**
- **Tires: \$10.00 PER UNIT (RIMS OK)**

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:**

- Household Garbage
- Hazardous Waste: Asbestos, Biomedical Waste, etc.
- Waste Oil: Oils, Gasses, & Anti-Freeze
- Grass & Leaves

**\$100.00 PER TON**

**\$40.00 MINIMUM CHARGE**

**NO CHECKS ACCEPTED UNDER \$150.00**

**CASH & CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED**

**Transfer Station Hours**

**Mon. - Fri. ~ 5:00am - 3:30pm**

**Saturday ~ 5:00am - 10:30am**

## Town Council Meeting

October 14, 2015

### Project Updates

Splash Pad Proposals -Budgeted amount \$100,000.00

Option 1 –Includes a smaller structure than originally discussed at Pierson Park. Purchase of equipment is \$41,282.38 and construction and installation is \$77,861.64. Total price is: **\$119,144.02**

Option 2 – Includes the larger structure at Pierson Park. The cost of equipment is \$50,528.17 and the construction and installation is \$80,461.84. This brings the total cost to: **\$130,990.01**

Option 3 – includes a larger structure at Watrous Park. The cost of equipment is again \$50,528.17 and the construction and installation is \$57,216.74. This brings the total cost to **\$107,744.91**