

**TOWN OF CROMWELL
TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2020
4:15 P.M. TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MINUTES

Present: Deputy Mayor J. Donohue, J. Henahan, J. Demetriades, P. Ahlquist, A. Waters

Absent: Mayor E. Faienza, S. Fortenbach

Also Present: Town Manager A. Salvatore, Public Health Coordinator S. Nesci

A. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor J. Donohue called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m.


B. UPDATE ON CROMWELL GOING TO RED FOR COVID-19

S. Nesci went over the two press releases released from the Town last week. Cromwell is now in the Red status for COVID numbers. The majority of increases have been seen in the age range of 20's to 50's. The largest cause is from social gatherings.

The Town will be in Phase 2.1 starting this Friday 11/6. Governor Lamont is collaborating with neighboring states to minimize the economic impact.

The major changes that will occur under Phase 2.1 include:

- Restaurants will reduce to 50 percent capacity with a maximum of 8 people limited to a table;
- Restaurants and entertainment venues (i.e. bowling allies, movie theaters, arcades, etc.) will be required to close by 9:30 p.m., with the exception of food takeout and delivery services, which will be allowed to continue after 9:30 p.m.;
- Personal services, such as hair salons and barber shops, will remain at 75 percent capacity;
- Event venues will be limited to 25 people indoor, 50 people outdoor;
- Performing arts venues and movie theaters will have a capacity of 100 people; and
- Religious gatherings will be limited to 50 percent capacity or 100 people maximum.

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S. Nesci opened up the floor to the Council for any questions.

J. Henehan will be moderating the election, and asked what needs to be done for anyone coming in to vote who cannot wear a mask for any reason. S. Nesci answered by saying they can be turned away for the safety of everyone else at the polls, but they still have their right to vote. Someone would have to bring the voter their ballot to fill out.

J. Demetriades had gotten quite a few citizen concerns asking what the main differences between the 10/23 and 10/29 press release in regards to the 14,000 number and 15,000 number for the residence population. S. Nesci answered that the 14,000 population is what the state uses for their statistical data. The 15,000 population is more realistic and more in line with the results of the latest census.

J. Demetriades also asked about Everbridge and what it is. S. Nesci answered that it's a service that the community can register through the local police department or CT Alert System to receive emergency messages to avoid a certain area.

A. Waters asked about Veterans' Day and if it was ok to have about 12 people max for 10 minutes at the new area on Main Street. S. Nesci replied that he is open to anything but would like a plan submitted in writing.

Deputy Mayor J. Donohue made a comment to thank S. Nesci for all that he and the Health Department has done to stand by the Town and keep it safe.

C. ADJOURN

J. Henehan made the motion to adjourn at 4:46 PM; seconded by J. Demetriades.
All in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

April Armetta
Commission Clerk