

**TOWN OF CROMWELL  
TOWN COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
THURSDAY APRIL 9, 2020  
4:15 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS via Zoom**

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**MINUTES**

Present: Mayor E. Faienza,

Zoom: Deputy Mayor J. Donohue P. Ahlquist, J. Henahan, S. Fortenbach,  
J. Demetriades

Absent: A. Waters

Also Present: Town Manager A. Salvatore, Director of Finance M. Sylvester

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Faienza called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Councilor Waters was unable to attend the meeting but asked to state for the record that he is in favor of both items.

**B. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discussion and action to defer taxes and Sewer Usage Fees, as permitted under the Governor's Executive Order 7S6(a), for 90 days from the time that they become due and payable.

*Motion made by S. Fortenbach seconded by J. Demetriades and unanimously carried by roll call to defer taxes and Sewer Usage Fees for all taxpayers, as permitted under the Governor's Executive Order 7S6(a), for 90 days from the time that they become due and payable.*

2. Discussion and action to approve:

**MOTION DIRECTING THE ADOPTION OF THE 2020-21 TOWN BUDGET AND THE SETTING OF THE  
MILL RATE**

*Motion made by S. Fortenbach seconded by J. Henahan and unanimously carried by roll call to direct the Board of Finance to adopt the Cromwell town budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year and to set the mill rate therefore, on or before May 5, 2020, in accordance with the State of Connecticut Governor's Executive Order No. 7I, paragraph 13. In doing so, the Board of Finance shall further comply with Executive Order No. 7I by publishing the draft budget on the Town's website and providing appropriate means for public input not requiring in person participation prior to adoption.*

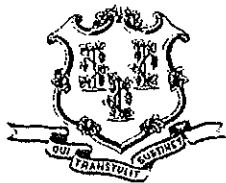
C. ADJOURN

Motion made by J. Donohue seconded by James Demetriades and *unanimously carried* by roll call to adjourn the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL POLICY AND PLANNING DIVISION

GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER 7S SECTION 6  
MUNICIPALITY PROGRAM ELECTION

The municipality of Cromwell by determination of our local legislative body, or in any town in which the legislative body is a town meeting, by a vote of the ~~board of selectmen~~, voted and approved on April 9, 2020, that we will participate in the following program(s):

☒ **Deferment Program.** During the period of March 10, 2020, the date that the Governor declared the public health and civil preparedness emergency, through and including July 1, 2020, municipalities participating in the Deferment Program shall offer to eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents a deferment by ninety (90) days of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric rates, charges or assessments for such tax, rate, charge, or assessment from the time that it became due and payable. Eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents are those that attest to or document significant economic impact by CO VID-19, and/ or those that document they are providing relief to those significantly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall issue guidance as to which taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents shall be considered eligible for the Deferment Program, but participating municipalities may, upon approval of its local legislative body, or, in any town in which the legislative body is a town meeting, by a vote of the ~~board of selectmen~~, extend eligibility for the deferment program to other categories of taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents.

☐ **Low Interest Rate Program.** For municipalities participating in the Low Interest Rate Program, notwithstanding Section 12-146 of the General Statutes, (i) the delinquent portion of the principal of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric charges or assessments or part thereof shall be subject to interest at the rate of three (3) per cent per annum for ninety days from the time when it became due and payable until the same is paid, for any such tax, rate, charge, or assessment due and payable from March 10 through and including July 1, 2020, unless such delinquent portion is subject to interest and penalties at less than three (3) per cent per annum. Following the ninety days, the portion that remains delinquent shall be subject to interest and penalties as previously established; and (ii) any portion of the principal of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric rates, charges or assessments or part thereof that had been delinquent on or prior to March 10, shall be subject to interest at the rate of three (3) per cent per annum for ninety days from this Order, unless such delinquent portion is subject to interest and penalties at less than three (3) per cent per annum. Following the ninety (90) days, the portion that remains delinquent shall be subject to interest and penalties as previously established.

PROGRAM CONTACT:

Printed Name: Anthony J. Salvatore Title: Town Manager  
Email Address: townmanager@cromwellct.com Phone: 860 632-3412

CEO CERTIFICATION:

Dated this 13th day of April, 2020.  
Printed Name: Anthony J. Salvatore Title: Town Manager  
Email Address: townmanager@cromwellct.com  
Signature: [Signature]  
\* Town Council

DUE TO OPM NO LATER THAN APRIL 25, 2020 ~ RETURN TO: Martin.Heft@ct.gov