

**TOWN OF CROMWELL BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2024 6:00 pm
CROMWELL TOWN HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MEETING MINUTES**

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PRESENT: Chairman John Ireland, Vice Chairman Steve Wygonowski (came in at 6:45pm), Dan Kelly, Jamin DeProto, Ed Maley, Christopher Carigliano

ABSENT: Matthew Blanchette, James Fedeli

ALSO PRESENT: Town Manager Anthony Salvatore, Director of Finance Sharon DeVoe, Police Chief Frederick Sifodaskalakis, Captain Steven Penn, Director of Public Works Lou Spina

Chairman John Ireland called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Dan Kelly made a motion to seat Christopher Carigliano for Matthew Blanchette; seconded by Jamin DeProto. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Chairman John Ireland closed the public hearing at 6:02pm.

Chairman John Ireland opened the Special Meeting at 6:03pm.

Chairman John Ireland set the Mill Rate meeting to May 7th at 8:30pm.

DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS ON THE 2024-2025 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET LINE #36 POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dan Kelly made a motion to appropriate to police budget of \$4,357,671; seconded by Christopher Carigliano. Police Chief Frederick Sifodaskalakis presented the Police budget. Discussion followed. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #37 ANIMAL CONTROL

Dan Kelly made a motion to appropriate the Animal Control budget of \$100,034; seconded by Ed Maley. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

POLICE CNR

Dan Kelly made a motion appropriate \$140,000 for a police vehicle out of American rescue Plan Act; seconded by Jamin DeProto. Police Chief Frederick Sifodaskalakis presented the request. Discussion followed the Town's plan for Capital improvements. 5/0 1 abstained. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #27-34 PUBLIC WORKS

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Public Works budget of \$4,930,532; seconded by Dan Kelly. Director of Public Works, Lou Spina, presented the budget. Discussion followed. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

PUBLIC WORKS CNR

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate \$311,000 out of ARPA for road improvements; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to put on a future list for an appropriation for the complete street plan for the Town of Cromwell for \$100,000; seconded by Jamin DeProto. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to put on a future list for an appropriation for 1 Tarco Windy 400 Leaf Vacuum for \$85,000; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to put on a future list for an appropriation for a flat body and brine for \$59,653; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to put on a future list for an appropriation for a replacement pickup body and body work for existing chassis for \$15,000; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to put on a future list for an appropriation for a 4X4 pickup truck for \$59,000; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #35 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Emergency Management budget of \$21,050; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #38 HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Health Department budget of \$221,687; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #39 HUMAN SERVICES

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Human Services budget of \$149,189; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #40 SENIOR SERVICES

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Senior Services budget of \$145,274; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #41 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Transportation Services budget of \$165,660; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #42 YOUTH SERVICES

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Youth Services budget of \$128,549; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #43 RECREATIONS

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Recreations budget of \$300,839; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #44 LIBRARY

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Library budget of \$752,406; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #1 TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Town Manager's Office budget of \$438,745; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #2 TOWN CLERK

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Town Clerk budget of \$234,174; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #3 ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Elections Department budget of \$121,284; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #4 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Economic Development budget of \$22,010; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #4A REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Redevelopment Agency budget of \$900; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #5 TOWN PLANNER

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Town Planner budget of \$152,317; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #6 DEVELOPMENT COMPLIANCE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Development Compliance budget of \$119,790; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES

BUDGET LINE #7 BUILDING INSPECTIONS

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Building Inspections budget of \$232,478; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #8 FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Finance Department budget of \$450,203; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #9 TAX COLLECTOR

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Tax Collector budget of \$170,423; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #10 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Assessor's Office budget of \$261,505; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #12 DONATIONS AND DUES

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Donations and Dues budget of \$56,152; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #13 LEGAL EXPENSE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Legal Expense budget of \$235,875; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #14 CENTRAL SERVICES

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Central Services budget of \$280,784; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #15 INSURANCE EXPENSE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Insurance Expense budget of \$629,701; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #17 TOWN COUNCIL

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Town Council budget of \$2,400; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #18 BOARD OF FINANCE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Board of Education budget of \$42,730; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #20 CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Charter Revision Committee budget of \$500; seconded by Dan Kelly. Ed Maley amended the motion appropriate \$2 for the Charter Revision Committee budget; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR TO AMEND THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE AMENDED MOTION. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #21 BORD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Board of Assessment Appeals budget of \$600; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #22 COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT THE DISABLED

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Committee to Support the Disabled for \$1; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #23 PLANNING AND ZONING

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Planning and Zoning Committee budget of \$3,525; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #24 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Zoning Board of Appeals budget of \$1,250; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #25 INLAND WETLANDS

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Inland Wetlands budget of \$1,900; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #26 CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Conservation Committee Budget of \$1,210; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #16 GENERAL EXPENSES

Ed Maley made a motion to reduce the CNR Transfer from \$611, 571 to \$588,571; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES. Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the General Expenses budget of \$623,573; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #45 EMPLOYEES BENEFITS

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Employees Benefits budget of \$4,545,075; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

BUDGET LINE #46 DEBT SERVICES

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to appropriate the Debt Services budget of \$3,238,994; seconded by Dan Kelly. Discussion followed on the repayment of the Middle School Debt. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve for submission to the voters the Board of Education budget of \$38,290,244; seconded by Dan Kell. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygonowski made a motion to approve for submission to the voters the Debt Services budget of \$3,238,994; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

Steve Wygowski made a motion to approve for submission to the voters the General Fund Budget of \$19,901,498; seconded by Dan Kelly. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSES.

John Ireland totaled the whole town budget to \$61,430,736 which is a 6.73% increase.

Dan Kelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Steve Wygonowski. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Kennedy
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