

SALEM BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING
January 15, 2009

Present: R. Asafaylo, J. Fogarty, A. Krodel, R. McKenney (arrived at 4:34 pm), and R. Ross, First Selectman.

CALL TO ORDER:

R. Ross, First Selectman called the meeting to order at 4:20 pm.

AGENDA

1) 2009/2010 Selectmen's Budget

The Board discussed the Budget by department. After all discussions were concluded, they took action on each budget's bottom line individually.

Discussions:

Dept. 100 Selectmen

100-95-950 - Membership Fees

- The \$500 for the New London Homeless will be moved to Dept. 157 Regional Services.

(New bottom line for Dept. 100 of \$6,829.)

Dept. 105 Salaries

105-25-123 - Administrative PT

- Both D. Weston, Recreation Commission Clerk and S. Spang are included in this line item.

After discussion, it was the Board's consensus to increase this line by \$3,750 (an increase of two (2) hours per week) for the Rec Clerk and Sue Spang will be increased to \$16.00 per hour @ thirty (30) hours per week with pro-rated benefits for another line item increase of \$6,964.

R. McKenney arrived at the meeting.

105-10-100 - First Selectman

- It was the Board's consensus that the First Selectman should have a yearly increase; no increase is a bad precedent to set. He should also be the highest paid individual.

M/S/W (Fogarty/Krodel) that the Board of Selectmen increase the First Selectman's salary line item by 2% to \$55,195.

MOTION WITHDRAWN.

M/S/C (McKenney/Krodel) that the Board of Selectmen increase the First Selectman's salary line item, 105-10-100, by 3% to 55,736.

Vote: For approval - Fogarty, Krodel, and McKenney. For denial - Asafaylo. Abstaining - Ross.

MOTION CARRIED.

105-10-104 - Selectmen (4)

- The Board's consensus was that Selectmen not have a salary and to reduce the line item to \$1.

M/S/C (Asafaylo/McKenney) that the Selectmen line item, 105-10-104, be reduced to \$1.

Vote: approved unanimously.

105-25-630 - Delete ZEO/WEO.

105 Town Planner - change line item number to 105-20-630 and change to read Town Planner/ZEO/WEO.

(New bottom line for Dept. 105 of \$1,069,045.)

Counsel

Dept. 126 Town Council

The misspelled word Council will be corrected to Counsel

The Board made no other changes.

(Bottom line for Dept. 126 remains \$24,600.)

Dept. 134 Town Office Operation

134-40-401 - Town/Commission Printing

- This line should be \$5,000, not \$500.

The DEPARTMENT TOTAL (\$52,500) is not calculated correctly. With the change to line item 134-40-401 to \$5,000, the FY 2009/2010 Request by Budget Line totals \$80,290.

(New bottom line for Dept. 134 of \$80,290.)

Dept. 135 Municipal Building Maintenance

135-31-314 - Grounds/Bldg Mnt

- The Board increased this item to \$20,000.

(New bottom line for Dept. 135 of \$20,000.)

Dept. 138 Employee Benefits

The Board made no changes; "best guess estimate" of 12%.

(Bottom line for Dept. 138 remains \$414,697.)

Dept. 140 Utilities

No changes; 5.3% increase as a "best guess" estimate.

(Bottom line for Dept. 140 remains \$181,651.)

Dept. 152 Town Services

Board questions regarding this Department:

- 152-95-162 - Cemeteries
Does the Veteran's of Foreign Wars or the town's Public Works Department do this upkeep/mowing (\$1,700) at the present time?
- 152-95-295 - Gardner Lake Authority
Gardner Lake Authority will be asked if this amount (\$10,000) is sufficient.
- 152-95-510 - Health Services
Is the Visiting Nurses Association of Southeastern Connecticut included in this amount (\$4,000)?

(The bottom line of Dept. 152 will remain \$29,300 until these questions are answered.)

Dept. 157 Regional Services

157-95-_____ New London Homeless Center (new line item number required)

- This amount (\$500) was moved from line item 100-95-950 - Membership Fees to this department where it belongs.

The DEPARTMENT TOTAL (\$6,452) is not calculated correctly; it should be \$11,452. With the change to add a new line item for the New London Shelter (\$500), the FY 2009/2010 Request by Budget Line now totals \$11,952.

(New bottom line for Dept. 157 of \$11,952.)

Dept. 410 Transfer Station

The Board made no changes.

The DEPARTMENT TOTAL (\$179,142) is not calculated correctly; it should be \$186,142. (The \$2,000 from line item 410-095-0463 - CFC Evacuation and the \$5000 line item 410-95-98 - Water Testing were not carried over into the FY2009/2010 Request by Budget Line.)

(New bottom line for Dept. 410 of \$186,142.)

Dept. 310 Public Works

The Board made no changes.

(The bottom line of Dept. 310 remains \$234,000.)

The Board of Selectmen took the following actions:

M/S/C (Fogarty/Asafaylo) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 100 Selectman be set at \$6,829. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Krodel/Fogarty) that the Board of Selectmen approve the recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 105 Salaries be set at \$1,069,045. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (McKenney/Krodel) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 126 Town Counsel be set at \$24,600. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Fogarty/Krodel) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 134 Town Office Operation be set at \$80,290. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Krodel/McKenney) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 135 Municipal Building Maintenance be set at \$20,000. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (McKenney/Krodel) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 138 Employee Benefits be set at \$414,697. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Krodel/Fogarty) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 140 Utilities be set at \$181,651. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Fogarty/McKenney) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 152 Town Services be set at \$29,300. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Krodel/Fogarty) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 157 Regional Services be set at \$11,952. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Fogarty/Krodel) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 410 Transfer Station be set at \$186,142. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Asafaylo/McKenney) that the Board of Selectmen approve a recommendation for consideration to the Salem Board of Finance that the FY 2009/2010 Budget for Department 310 Public Works be set at \$234,000. Vote: approved unanimously.

M/S/C (Krodel/Fogarty) to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm. Vote: approved unanimously.

D. McTigue, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant
R. Ross, First Selectman