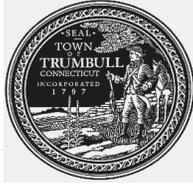


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**FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
March 31, 2010**

A Meeting of the **FINANCE COMMITTEE** of the Trumbull Town Council was called to order at 7:19 p.m. by Chairman Robert Pescatore, Jr.
All present joined in a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present:

Tony Scinto, Debra Lamberti, Robert Pescatore, Jr., John Rotondo and John DelVecchio, Jr., (arrived at 7:33 p.m.)

Members Absent:

Jane Deyoe

Also Present: Director of Finance Maria Pires.

* The Chair reserves his right not to vote unless otherwise noted.

01 Accounts – General Government

Town Council 01010000

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease account 545501 \$1,000.

Communications-Legal Notices

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-0 unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. Scinto to approve the Town Council total as amended.

Vote as amended: Passed 3-0 unanimously.

Trumbull Nature Commission 01010100

Moved by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 3-0 unanimously.

Ethics Commission 01010200

Moved by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 3-0 unanimously.

First Selectman 01010400

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to decrease account 567704 by \$2,500.
Transportation – Expense A/C

Mr. Rotondo requested back-up information for this motion.

Ms. Lamberti stated that she had envisioned a lesser amount.

Mr. Scinto withdrew his motion.

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease account 567704 by \$2,000.
Transportation – Expense A/C

Mr. Rotondo requested back-up information for this motion.

Ms. Lamberti stated the first selectman will do what is necessary to reduce this line item and is confident the line item can be reduced.

Vote on amendment passed 3-0 unanimously.

Vote as amended passed 3-0 unanimously.

Probate 01010600

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 3-0 unanimously.

Elections 01010800

Mr. Rotondo moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 3-0 unanimously.

Finance 01011000

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease account 501101 by \$52,926.
Salaries – FT/Permanent
The Chair voted

Mr. Rotondo requested back-up information for this motion.

Ms. Lamberti stated this department has had a position which has not been filled.

Ms. Pires stated that there is no vacancy in this department.

The Chair stated the department will be restructured. Ms. Pires explained that there is a \$25,000 reduction already included in the restructuring, the department will bring a controller at half time. The department will not be able to maintain its functionality with the proposed reduction of \$52,926.

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-1 (Rotondo against)

Mr. DelVecchio arrived at 7:33 p.m.

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as amended.

Vote as amended: Passed 3-1-1 (Rotondo against) (DelVecchio abstain)

Finance Account 01011000 New Total \$454,846.

Board of Finance 01011400

Mr. Scinto moved and seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Tax Assessor 01011600

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease 501101 by \$37,055.

Salaries FT/Permanent

Mr. Rotondo requested back-up information for this motion.

Ms. Lamberti stated there is a vacancy which will not be funded at this time

Vote on amendment: Passed 4-0 unanimously

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded Mr. Scinto to decrease 501106 by \$425.

Salaries/Longevity

Mr. Rotondo requested back-up information for this motion.

Ms. Lamberti stated there is a person retiring from the department; therefore the salaries/longevity line item will no longer be necessary.

Vote on amendment: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease 556601 by \$1,000.

Professional/Dev-Seminars.

Ms. Lambert noted that the newly hired tax assessor is up to date with all professional development.

The chair added that he had confirmed this with two employees of the department.

Vote on amendment: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Scinto, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to approve TAX ASSESSOR 01011600 as amended.

Vote as amended: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Board of Assessment Appeals

Mr. Scinto moved and seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Tax Collector 01012000

Mr. DelVecchio moved and seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Purchasing 01012200

Mr. Rotondo moved and seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Treasurer 01012400

Mr. Scinto moved and seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Technology 01012600

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to reduce 501101 by \$66,581.

Salaries-FT/Permanent

Ms. Lamberti stated pending the possibility of a new director of technology it will not be necessary to have two full time positions in addition to the director.

Mr. DelVecchio stated that the department was present at the hearing of last week and had reported to the committee that they are currently understaffed and overloaded.

Ms. Pires stated that the \$66,000 could not be cut, without funding the director's position.

Ms. Lamberti withdrew her motion.

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to reduce 501105 by \$500.

Salaries-Overtime.

Mr. Scinto stated that the overtime is for an upgrade that will be reduced, the Microsoft 7 upgrade within the Capitol Outlay line item.

The Chair voted.

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease 522204 by \$21,000.

Services & Fees-Contractual.

Ms. Lamberti stated they will be seeking a new web vendor which will be less expensive.

Mr. Rotondo questioned the proposal of cutting this line item without knowing the cost of the new web vendor? Ms. Lamberti stated the budget will not go into effect until July1, 2010. Ms. Pires stated that there are other items within this account besides the web vendor. Ms. Pires is not aware of a new web vendor; it would necessary to come back for a supplemental if this amount is reduced.

The Chair voted.

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease 556601 by \$1,000.
Professional/Dev-Seminars.

Mr. Rotondo requested back-up information for this motion.

Ms. Lamberti cited difficult economic times.

The Chair voted.

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-1-1(Rotondo against) (DelVecchio abstain).

Ms. Lamberti moved and Mr. Scinto seconded to decrease 556603 by \$500.
Professional/Dev-In service

The Chair voted.

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-0-2 (Rotondo and DelVecchio abstain)

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease 578802 by \$1,000.
Mntnce/Rep-Equipment/Building

Mr. Rotondo stated this line item had been cut the previous year by the department head and if cut an additional \$1,000 could have a negative impact. Ms. Pires explained that the \$8,968 is the audited amount.

The Chair voted.

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded Mr. Scinto to decrease 581888 by \$25,000.
Capital Outlay

Mr. Scinto stated there is a more economical way to install individual upgrades to the pc's and it will not be necessary to upgrade to Windows 7 from windows 2003, the upgrade would only necessitate retraining the employees on the new operating system. Ms. Pires stated that the department had reported that there are licensing issues, the town does not have the licenses for Windows 2003.

The Chair stated that there is \$5,000 left for the licensing.

Ms. Pires stated that this account also included 1/5 equipment replacement.

The Chair voted.

Vote on amendment: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Technology Account New Total: \$229,212.

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to approve the Technology account as amended. The Chair voted.

Vote as amended: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Town Attorneys 01012800

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to decrease 522202 by \$55,000. Services & Fees-Professional.

Mr. DelVecchio stated that these are lean economic times.

Ms. Lamberti stated that if you were to include the cost of clerical, workman's comp, FICA, health insurance and ancillary fees it would be an additional \$192,159 for the previous administration's town attorneys.

The Chair voted.

Vote on amendment: Failed 1-3-1(Lamberti, Pescatore and Scinto against) (Rotondo abstain).

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

The Chair voted.

Vote: Passed 3-1-1 (DelVecchio against) (Rotondo abstain).

Human Resource 01013000

Moved by Mr. Scinto, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Employee Benefits 01013400

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease 511150 by \$14,000. Fringe Benefits-FICA

Ms. Pires stated two positions were cut, the amount used should be \$6,000.

Ms. Lamberti withdrew her motion.

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to take the Town Clerk account out of order.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Town Clerk 01013600

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Town Hall 01013800

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to decrease 522208 by \$16,250. Contributions

Ms. Lamberti withdrew her motion.

Ms. Lamberti moved, seconded By Mr. Scinto to decrease 522208 by \$8,125.

Mr. DelVecchio stated he could reduce funds for the people in such hard economic times.

Vote on the amendment: Failed 1-2-1 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against) (Scinto abstain).

The Chair called a recess at 8:12 p.m.

The Chair called the meeting back to order at 8:25 p.m.

Town Hall 01013800 cont'd.

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

The Chair voted.

Vote: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Moved by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Mr. DelVecchio to take Education 01060000 out of order.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Education 01060000

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Mr. DelVecchio to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Custodial 010140000

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Planning and Zoning 01014200

Mr. Rotondo moved, seconded by Mr. DelVecchio to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Zoning Board of Appeals 01014400

Mr. Rotondo moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Economic Development 01014600

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Inland Wetlands Commission 01014800

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Recycling Commission 01015000

Mr. Rotondo moved, seconded by Mr. DelVecchio to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Conservation Commission 01015400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Clean Energy Fund 01015600

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Transit District 01015800

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Moved by Mr. DelVecchio, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to take Employee Benefits out of order.

Vote: Passed 4-0 unanimously.

Employee Benefits 01013400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Moved by Mr. Rotondo, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to Approve Total 01 General Government as amended in the amount of \$15,809,158.

The Chair voted.

Vote as amended: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Total 01 General Government New Total: \$15,809,158

02 Public Safety

Police 01022000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Special Detail 01022200

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Animal Control 01022400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Central Emergency Dispatch 01022500

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Emergency Medical Services 01022600

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Fire Marshal 01022800

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Fire Marshal – Hydrants

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Building Official 01023200

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Emergency Management 01023400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

02 Public Safety Account Remain Unchanged: \$10,272,585

03 Public Works

Public Works-Director 01030000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Security-Building and Grounds 01030023

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Public Works-Street Lights 01030100

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Public Works-Highway 01030100

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Highway-Snow Removal 01030101

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Highway-Construction 01030105

Mr. Scinto moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Public Works- Maintenance/Fleet 01030200

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Disposal Area 01030400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Town Engineer 01030500

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

The Chair voted.

VOTE: Passed: 3-2(DelVecchio and Rotondo against)

Total 03 Public Works Account Remains Unchanged: \$7,854,278

04 Public Health

Board of Health 01040000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Vital Statistics 01040200

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Nursing-Senior/Well Child 01040400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Total 04 public Health Remains Unchanged: \$303,559

05 Social Services

Social Services 01050000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Counseling Center 01050200

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Youth Commission 01050400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Senior Citizen Services 01050600

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept the 05 Accounts as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Total 05 Account Remains Unchanged: \$570,548

06 Education

School Nurses 01060200

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Non Public Schools 01060400 Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Business Education Initiative 01060600

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

By unanimous consent the Finance Committee accepted the Total 06 Education at \$93,921,635 unchanged. 4-0

Total 06 Account Remains Unchanged: \$93,921,635

07 Libraries

Libraries 01070000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Total 07 Account Remains Unchanged: \$1,520,518

08 Recreation

Public Events 01080000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Trumbull Day 01080300

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Recreation 01080400

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Parks 01080600

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Tree Warden 01080800

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Ms. Lamberti to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Arts Commission 01080900

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Scinto to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

By unanimous consent the Finance Committee accepted the Total 08 Account at \$2,226,759 unchanged. 4-0

Total 08 Recreation Account Remains Unchanged: \$2,226,759

09 Debt Service

Debt Service 01090000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

By unanimous consent the Finance Committee accepted the Total 09 Account at \$4,184,529 unchanged. 4-0

Total 09 Debt Service Account Remains Unchanged: \$4,184,529

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. Scinto to Approve the Total General Fund as \$136,663,569 (\$143,906 Decrease).

The Chair voted.

Vote: Passed 3-2 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against).

Total General Fund \$136,663,569 (\$143,906 Decrease)

10 Enterprise Funds

Sewer-WPCA-Enterprise 01100000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Tashua Knolls-Golf-Enterprise 21100000

Mr. DelVecchio moved, seconded by Mr. Rotondo to accept as presented and approved by the BoF.

Vote: Passed unanimously 4-0

Moved by Ms. Lamberti, seconded by Mr. Scinto to Approve the 2010-2011 Town of Trumbull Budget Grand Total as amended at \$144,173,721 (\$143,906 Decrease).

Grand Total \$144,173,721 (\$143,906 Decrease)

Vote: Failed 1-2-1 (DelVecchio and Rotondo against) (Scinto abstain).

The 2010-2011 Town of Trumbull Budget will move forward to the Town Council as approved by the Board of Finance.

Moved by Mr. DeVecchio, seconded by Mr. Rotondo. There being no further business to discuss the Finance Committee of the Trumbull Town Council adjourned at 9:07 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Mastroni,
Town Council Clerk