

**Town of Romulus Special Meeting
Public Hearing for 2006 Budget
October 24, 2005**

Call to order at 8:02 p.m.

Present Roll Call: Councilman Gerlach Absent
Councilman Walborn Present
Councilwoman McCall Present
Supervisor Kaiser Present

Public Hearing: 2006 Budget

Opened public hearing for discussion. Lee inquired about the new cell phone policy. He explained his need to retain a cell phone. He indicated to the board that he is called many times with people who want a building permit immediately or have questions about their project.

Dave responded to Lee's request with the reasons why the town will no longer be providing cell phones to any of the employees, with the exception of the Supervisor. He feels the only position that is in constant need of getting through to the office and other employees is the Supervisor of the town. There are many times that he has had the need to contact the office for such things as information or relaying a message from a tax payer, or a change of meeting dates, times, etc.... The Supervisor is on the road constantly going from one end of the county to the other to attend meetings.

Dave explained that this year we are making every effort to cut where we could to offset the county tax for this upcoming year. He said the board members during the workshop were all for this and saw this as a cost savings to the town and not as much of a need as it is an expense.

However, Dave explained this is not to say the board can't revisit this issue next year during budget time, if we find indeed the need for cell phones is greater than we thought. This town went many years without cell phones and operated very well.

Lee asked about forwarding messages to his new phone number, if he was to get his own personal phone. This is not a good idea, because now the public has your personal cell phone and will use the allotted minutes Lee has allocated for his personal use. Lee agreed it would be best his new phone number not be given out.

Resolutions:

71.5 Adopt 2006 Budget

Motioned by: Councilwoman Ralph Walborn, Jr

Seconded by: Councilman Barb McCall

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Gerlach	Written Vote	Yea
	Councilman Walborn, Jr.		Yea
	Councilwoman McCall		Yea
	Supervisor Kaiser		Yea

Adjourn Meeting:

8:15 p.m. Motioned by: Councilwoman Barb McCall
Seconded by: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr
Carried Unanimously

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Angel J. Lawrence, Deputy Town Clerk