Town of Falmouth FY 2009 Mid-year Expense Savings

Budget Categories	Savings
Capital Budget Cuts	
Open Space Reduce down payment on Open Space properties from \$200,000 to \$150,000 and extend the payments out for one additional year.	50,00
Fire / EMS Capital Reduction Realize a reduction in the capital funding to Fire / EMS department reserves by reducing expense from one of the following: - Close Pleasant Hill Fire Station - Eliminate one pumper truck from the fire apparatus fleet - Extend depreciation schedule on fire apparatus from 20 years to 25 years	25,000
Parks Capital Funding Eliminate Legion Field Pathway and Outdoor Ice Rink Roof projects from the Parks capital plan, which will enable us to sustain a reduction in capital funding to this reserve. These projects will be privately funded or eliminatedl.	25,00
Sub-Total Capital Budget Cuts	100,000
Operating Budget Cuts	
Admin - Other Professional Services The available funds that allow the Town Manager the flexibility to hire consultants to complete various projects will be reduced in the current year from \$49,000 to \$24,000.	25,000
Council - Other Professional Services The available funds that allow the Town Council the flexibility to hire consultants to complete various projects will be reduced in the current year from \$15,000 to \$10,000.	5,000
Public Works - Part-time Salaries Do not hire the part-time position to help with administrative duties at Public Works that was added to the current budget.	10,00
Four Day workweek Close Town Hall on Fridays, but extend the hours on the other days to reach 37 hours a week, a reduction from the current 41 hour workweek. By beginning the week of February 23, we will realize savings in the following ways: - Hourly employees will have their hours reduced from 40 to 37 - Electricity savings - Heating fuel savings	10,00
Misc. Expense Cuts Department Heads will examine the available funds remaining in their budgets and lower costs where appropriate and eliminate costs where achievable.	15,00
Sub-Total Operating Budget Cuts	65,000
Realized Savings	
Health Insurance Budgeted increase for the second half of current year was 10%. Actual increase is 3.85%, giving us a Town-wide reduction in expense for this item.	35,00
Worker's Compensation Actual rates are lower than we anticipated in the budget, which results in Town-wide savings.	10,00
Police Communications - Wages Current staffing practices in the Communications department at the Police Station has realized a reduction in Overtime usage. This and a projected short-term vacancy will result in savings for this department.	10,000
Harbor - Full-Time Salaries Change in personnel and reallocation of duties will result in lower wages in the current year.	7,00
Police - Motor Fuel Lower fuel prices will allow us savings in this account.	10,00
Police Building - Heating Fuel The budget for this item was based on current oil based units. The efficiency of the propane boiler has resulted in savings for this account.	5,00
Sub-Total Realized Savings	77,000
Other Savings	
Overlay Reduce the Overlay budget, which is not being used as anticipated given the property revaluation done this year. (Overlay is the money assessed from property taxes that is in excess of the authorized commitment)	33,00
Sub-Total Other Savings	33,000