

**TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED
BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021 AT 7:00 PM
VIRTUAL MEETING
(ZOOM link at end of agenda)**

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Discussion of Budget Process
3. Review and act on proposed 2021-2022 Capital Projects
4. Review and act on the 2021-2022 Board of Education Budget
5. Review and act on the 2021-2022 General Government Budget
6. Review and discuss 2021-2022 Regional 7 budget
7. Review 2021-2022 Revenues
8. Review proposed budget for the Tuesday, April 6, 2021 Public Hearing
9. Review and Approve Town Annual Report (FY 2019-2020)
10. Transfers
11. Approval of Minutes
12. Correspondence
13. Any other business legal and proper to come before said meeting
14. Adjourn

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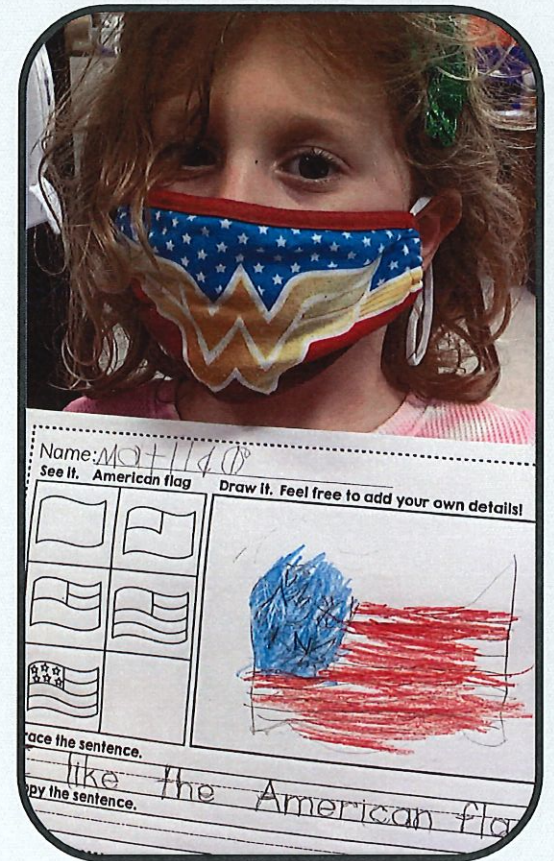
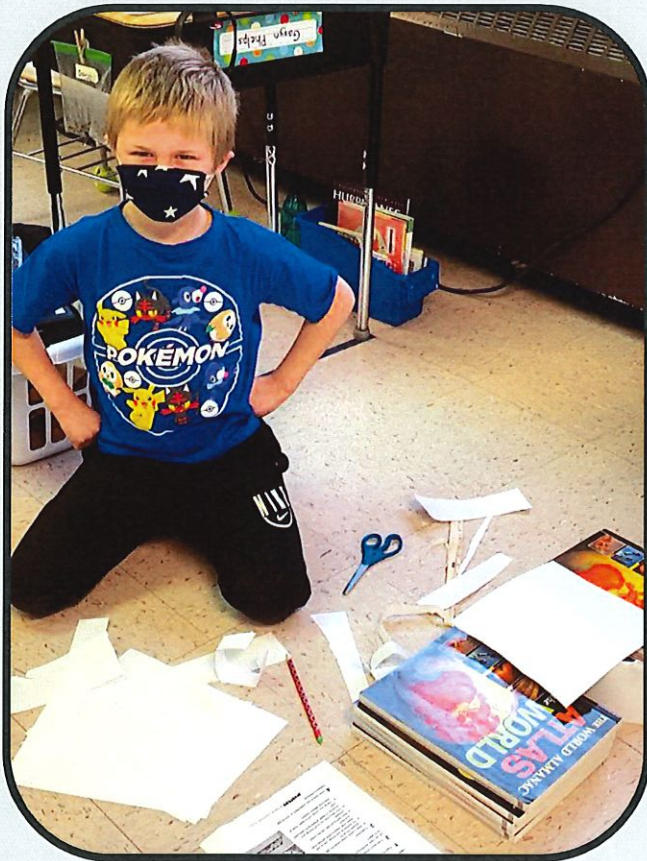
	Prior Years	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	30/31
Capital Reserve -Surplus	18,644	0	11,038	11,038	102,270	0	0										
Capital Reserve Project Appropriation		237,920	69,000	250,000	335,400	374,600	0	387,000	273,245	249,515	316,000	175,000	125,000	75,000	75,000	213,000	95,000
Returned to Reserve Fund							143,767										
Additional Capital Contribution					233,130												
CAPITAL ITEMS																	
Board of Selectman																	
Revaluation	2,700			35,000	35,000						30,000					35,000	
Plan of Conservation & Development		30,000											30,000				
Town Hall File Server/Computers/Assessors Software						30,000					15,000					15,000	
Tax Sale	13,925				15,000												
Town Hall Ramps and Sidewalks						19,000											
Town Hall and School Parking Lot									50,000	100,000	50,000						
Land Use Upgrades	2,019																
Replace 1997 Loader																	
Replace 1997 Backhoe						65,000											
Excavator Rotating Grapple																	
Mini-excavator						65,000											
Mowing Equipment								35,000									
Salt Shed Tent Replacement								20,000				20,000					20,000
Senior Center Parking Lot									40,000								
Senior Center Boiler/HVAC			12,000														
Replace 2001 International								175,000									
Refurb 2001 International		82,000															
Replace 2015 Foreman's truck (Rich)		50,000									50,000						
Replace 2000 International			45,000	105,000													
Replace 1997 International					180,000												
Replace 2002 International																	
Replace 2006 & 2007 International		20,000															
Truck Fund									75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Subtotal	18,644	182,000	57,000	140,000	230,000	179,000	0	230,000	165,000	175,000	220,000	95,000	105,000	75,000	75,000	125,000	95,000
Board of Education																	
Flooring*									17,245	14,515							
Technology Upgrades (SMART Technology/touchscreens)								32,000									
School Software								35,000									
Bathroom Upgrades				32,200													
Main and Fire Door Replacement					10,000												
Concrete Sidewalks and curbing						46,000											
Floor scrubber				15,000													
Freezer/Cooler									16,000		16,000						
Card Access										14,000							
School Security						40,000											
Fire Panel									10,000								
Windows																	
Elevator								90,000									
Classroom lighting											80,000					60,000	
Septic Holding Tank Replacement									25,000								
HVAC System Components									40,000								
Water tank										15,000							
Oil Tank Replacement					95,400	109,600											
Parking Lot repaving												80,000					
Vent Cleaning													20,000				
Boiler Circulator/Booster Pumps (1990)		24,500								31,000							
Subtotal	0	55,920	12,000	47,200	105,400	195,600	0	157,000	108,245	74,515	96,000	80,000	20,000	0	0	88,000	0
Total Annual Capital	18,644	237,920	69,000	187,200	335,400	374,600	0	387,000	273,245	249,515	316,000	175,000	125,000	75,000	75,000	213,000	95,000
Capital Reserve Surplus - Balance	0	0	11,038	53,317	102,270	0	143,767	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Note that if the State reimbursement of \$11,976 is received, it can also be used to offset FY21/22 costs																	

Superintendent's Proposed Estimate of Operating Expenditures



2021-2022

Starting With the End In Mind



Barkhamsted School

The mission of the Barkhamsted School District is to educate all students to be competent, confident, thoughtful and responsible citizens. The Barkhamsted School is a place of learning where stakeholders including teachers, staff, administrators, parents and the local community work together to ensure that every learner acquires the knowledge and skills that are the foundation of continuous growth and intellectual curiosity.

Portrait of the Successful Barkhamsted Student

The successful Barkhamsted School student is: inspired to demonstrate intellectual curiosity, continuously growing and developing academic and artistic passions, becoming an innovator of tomorrow and leaving school empowered to SOAR to SUCCESS.

Inspiring Intellectual Curiosity & Continuous Growth
Empowering Students to **SOAR** to Success As

Responsible Citizens
Informed Thinkers
Confident Risk Takers
Competent Problem Solvers
Thoughtful Team Players



INSPIRE ❖ EMPOWER ❖ SOAR

Board of Education Goals

Curriculum, Instruction, & Learning

The Barkhamsted School will develop students who are informed thinkers, confident risk-takers, competent problem solvers, responsible citizens and thoughtful team players.

School Community

The Barkhamsted School will provide a safe learning environment and a well-informed community to enhance student learning.

Operational Systems

The Barkhamsted School operations will be focused to support student learning.

Budget Goals



Educational Goal: Provide support for BOE goals to maximize student learning.



Fiscal Goal: Continue to be fiscally responsible through contract negotiations, energy savings, and other cost containment strategies.

Parameters to Guide the Budget Process

- Seek sufficient funds to support our Mission and Goals.
- Core academic programming is supported by elective and co-curricular programs.
- Budget reductions, if necessary, will always be made to impact the least number of students.
- Support all required COVID-19 mitigation strategies.

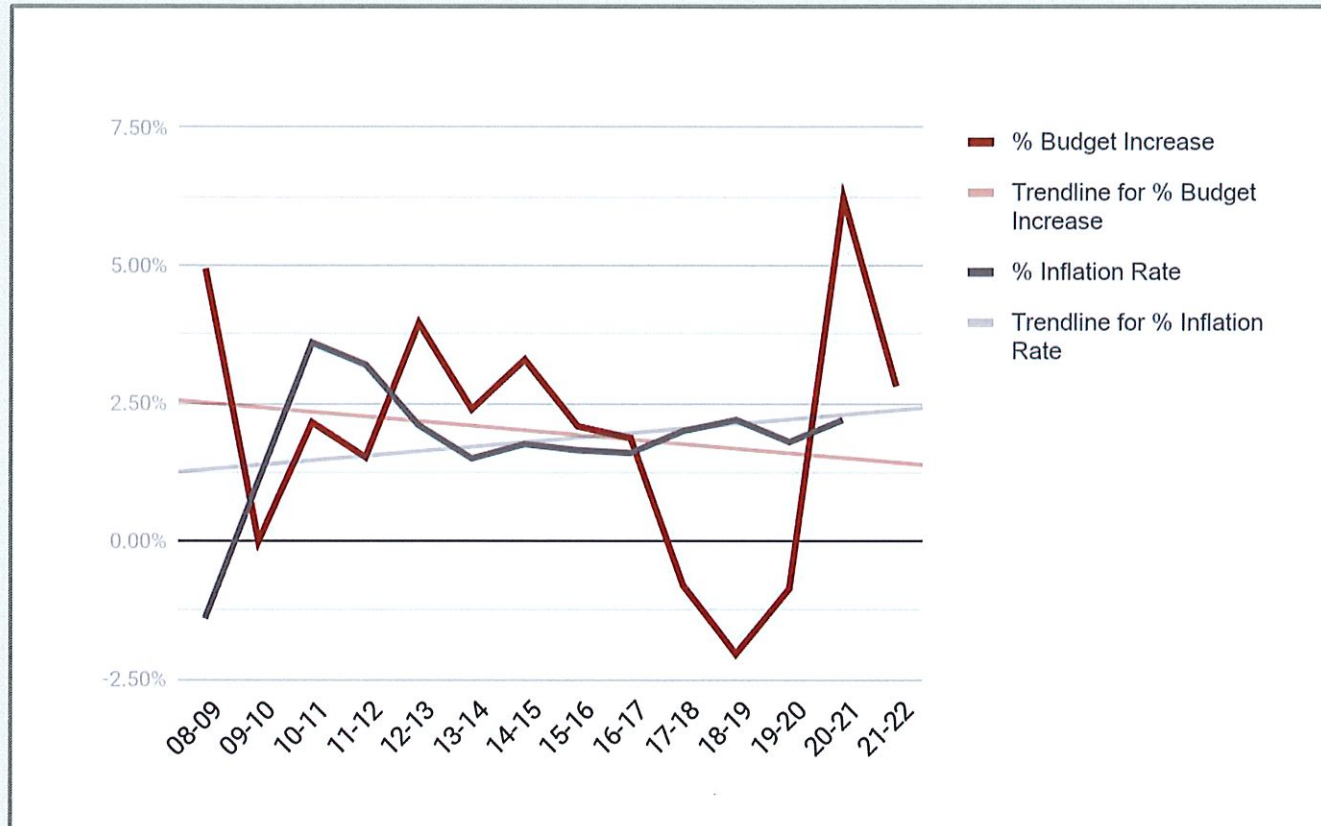
Budget History

	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21
Budget % Increase	4.94	0	2.15	1.52	3.95	2.39	3.29	2.08	1.87	-.80	-2.04	-.86	5.93

2021-2022
Proposed Increase: 2.81%

Average increase from 2008-2021 1.88%

Budget Increase vs CPI

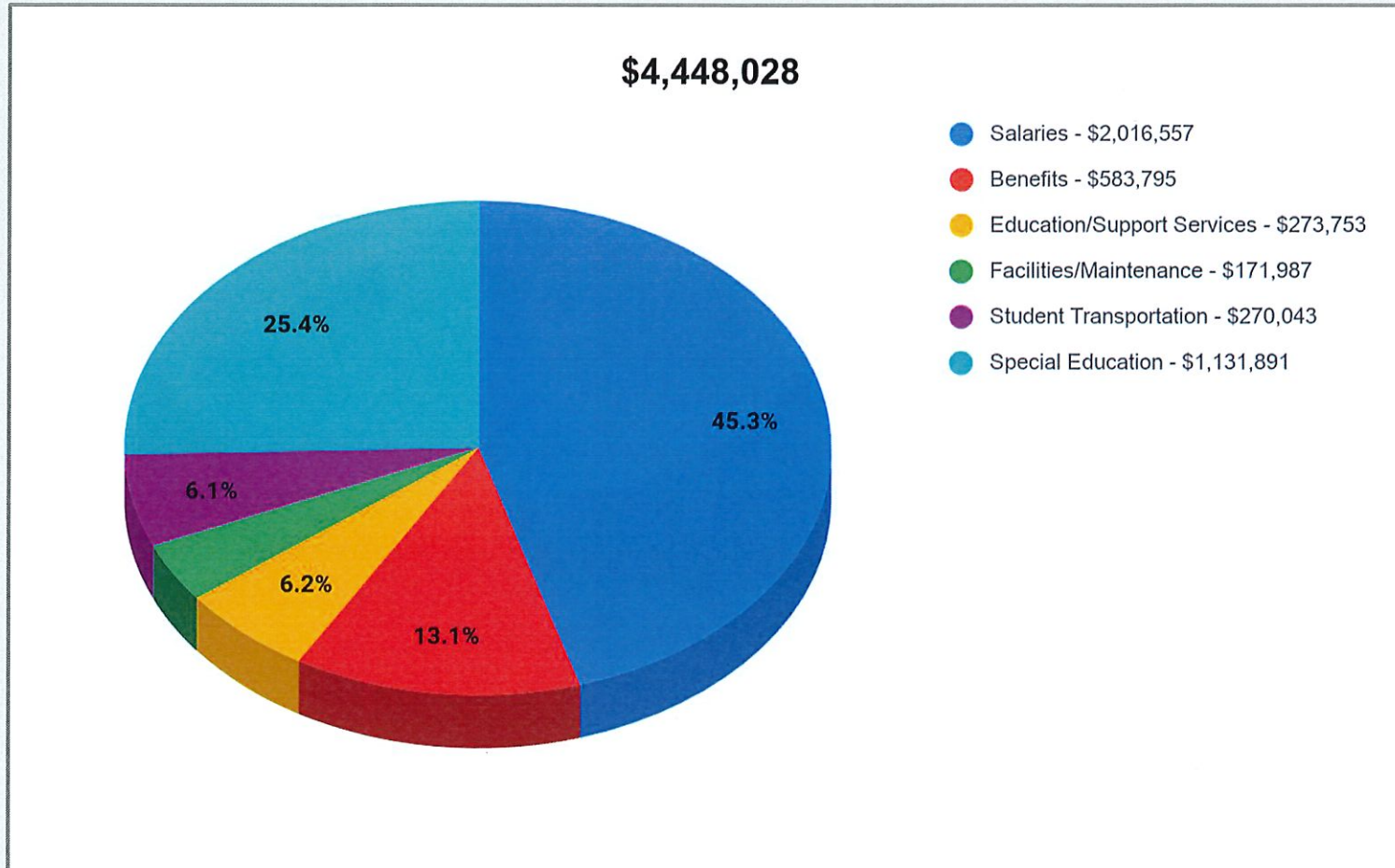


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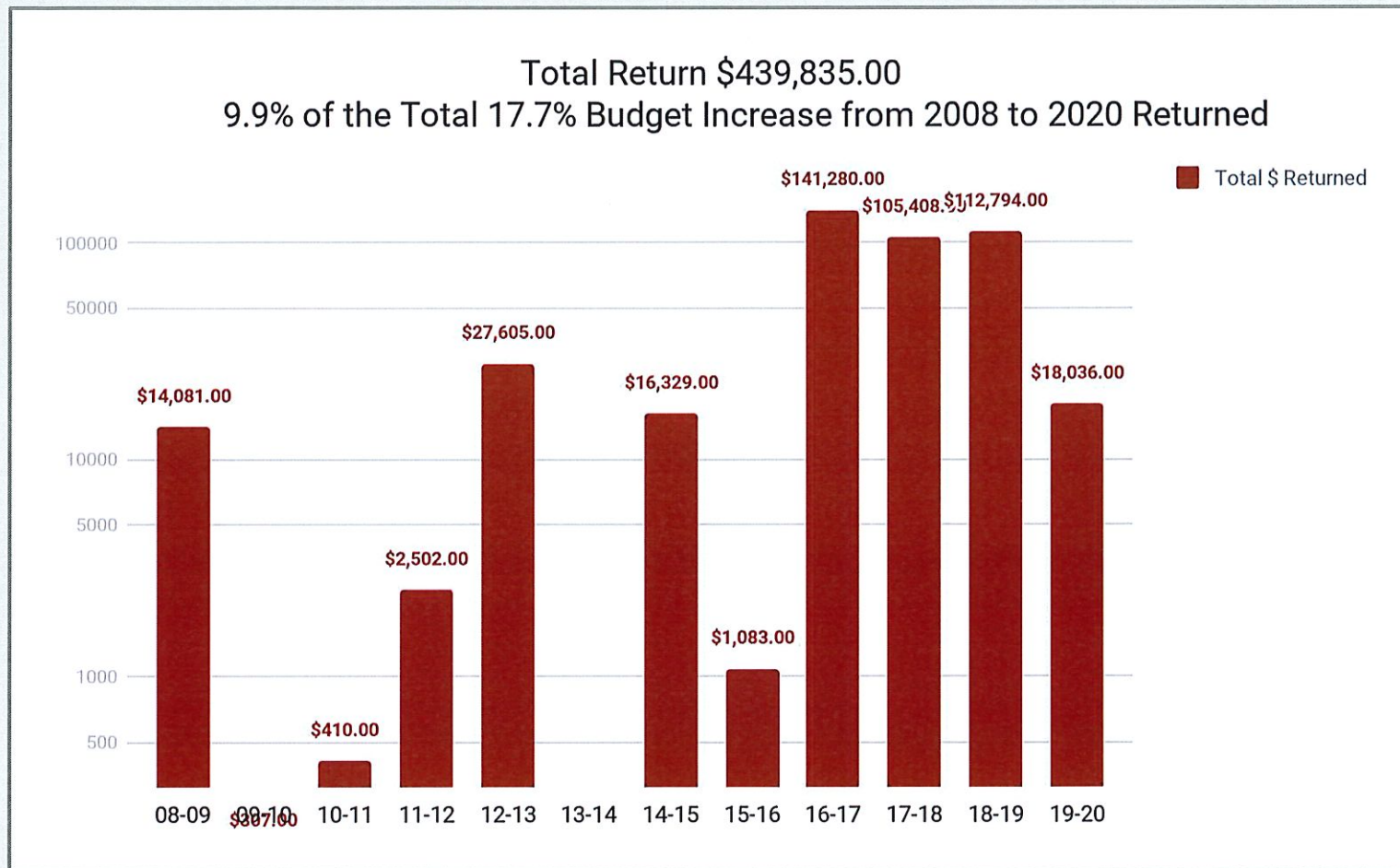
Budget Overview

Expense Categories	FY 2020 Adopted	Proposed Total Expenditures	Projected \$ Change	% Change from FY 2020
Salaries	\$2,012,363.00	\$2,016,557.00	\$4,194.00	0.21%
Benefits	\$568,697.00	\$583,795.00	\$15,099.00	2.66%
Special Education	\$1,054,493.00	\$1,131,891.00	\$77,398.00	7.34%
Transportation	\$265,297.00	\$270,043.00	\$4,746.00	1.79%
Facilities/Maintenance	\$178,242.00	\$171,987.00	\$(6,254.00)	(3.51)%
Education/Support Services	\$247,302.00	\$273,753.00	\$26,451.00	10.7%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$4,326,393.00	\$4,448,028.00	\$121,635	2.81%

Total Proposed Budget by Expense Category



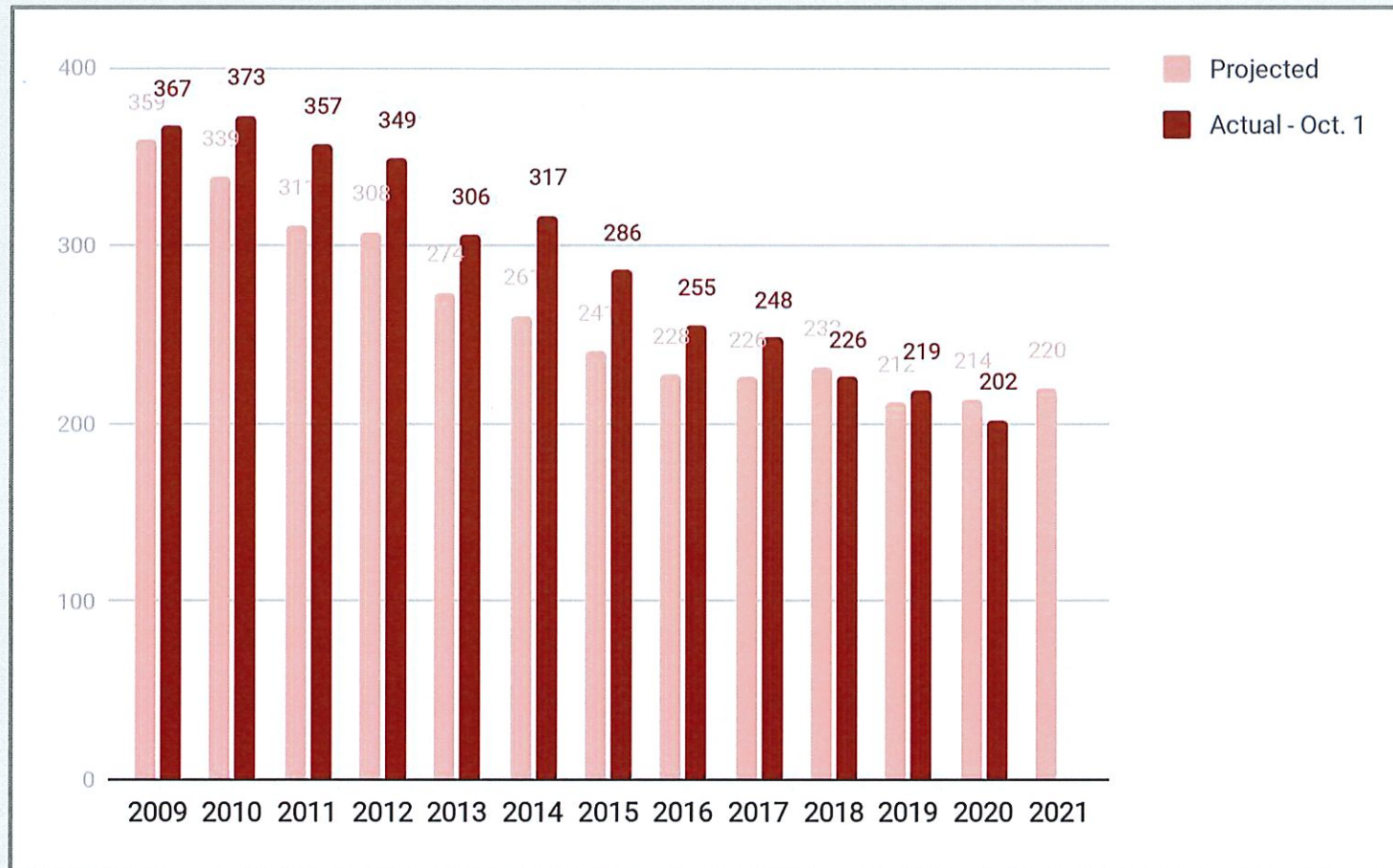
Yearly Net Return to Town



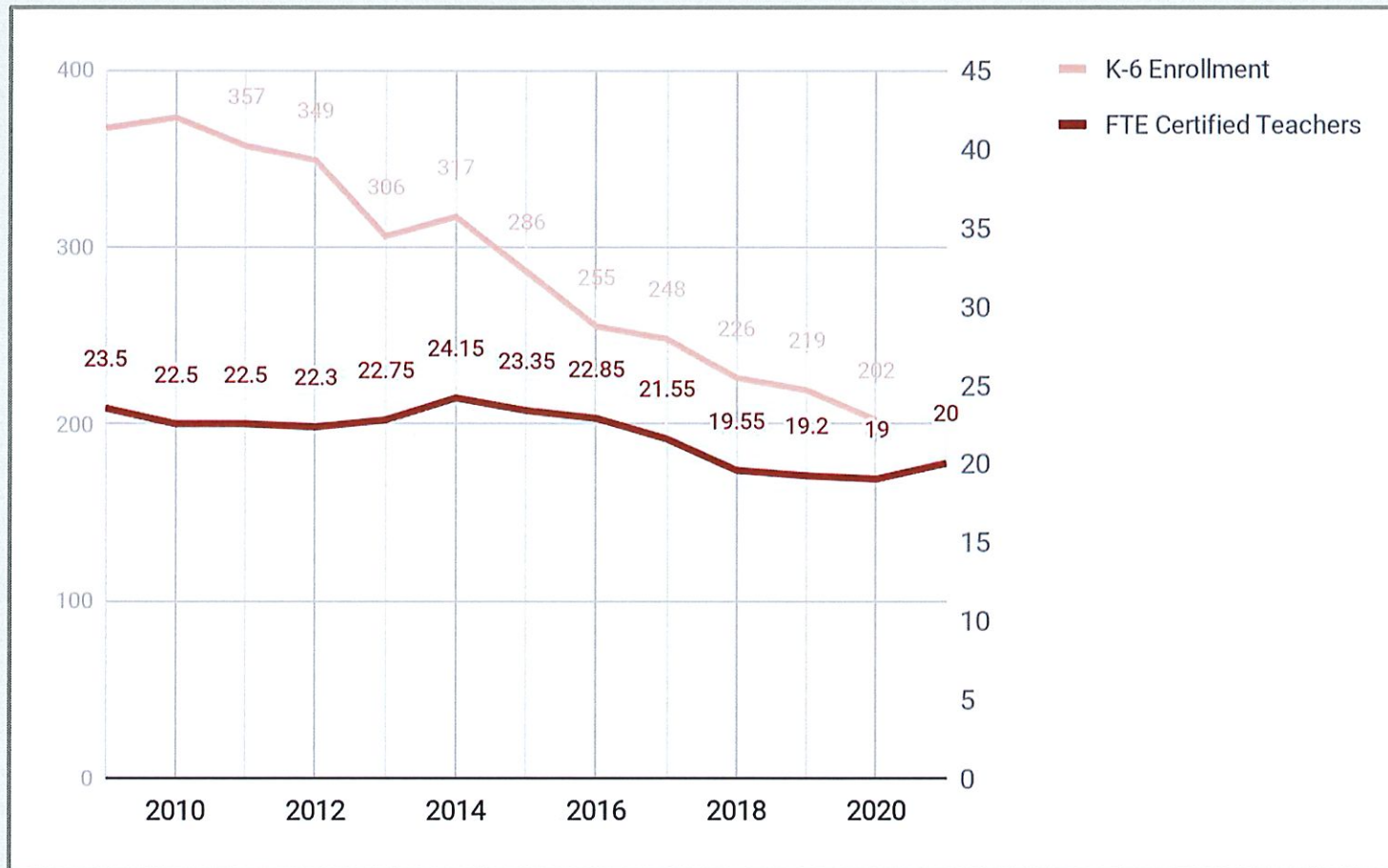
Budget Assumptions & Staffing Changes

- Medical and Dental Insurance increase of 7.95%.
- State Grants (Educational Cost Share, Excess Cost etc.) are uncertain at this time.
- Contractual salary increases of 3.14%.
- Grades K-6 are doubleton classes. (COVID Response)
- Retain 2.0 FTE Kindergarten. (enrollment currently at 27 students)

Enrollment History



Student Population vs Certified Teachers



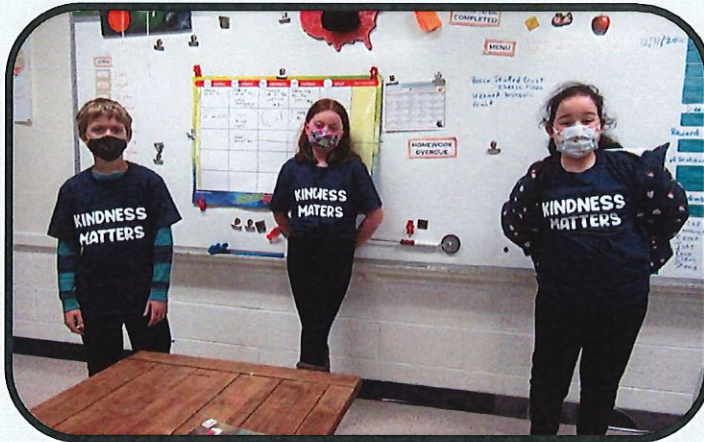
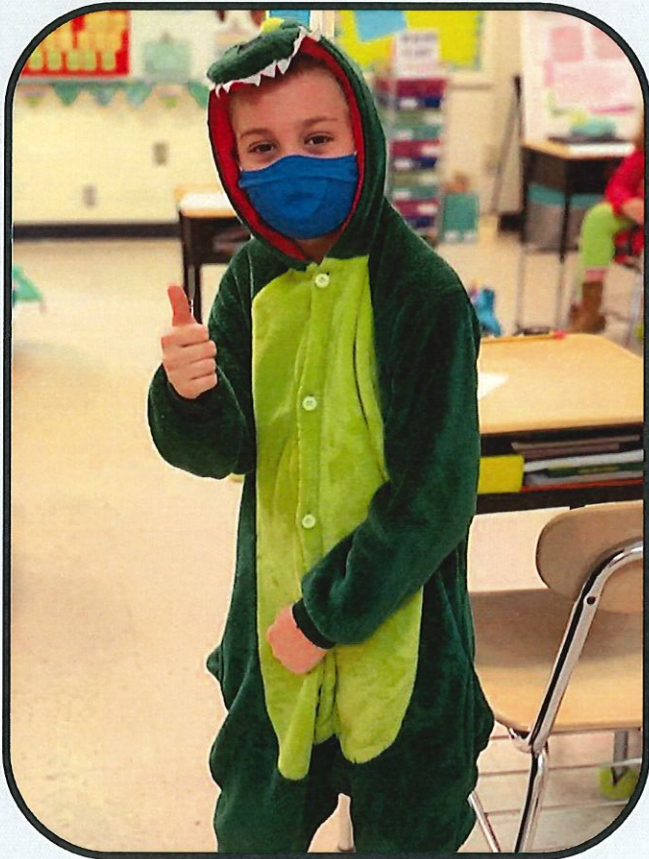
The Proposed Budget

- Provides support for all students in meeting the Connecticut Core Standards and the Barkhamsted co-curricular requirements.
- Provides adequate maintenance of the school.
- Provides teacher and para-educator professional development.
- Provides COVID-19 remediation as needed.

5 Year Capital Needs Projection

Description	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26
Flooring			17,245	14,515		
Concrete and Sidewalk	done					
Freezer/Cooler Replacement			16,000		16,000	
Technology Upgrades		32,000				
Card Access				14,000		
Fire Panel			10,000			
Window Replacement						
Interior Lighting					80,000	
Septic Tank Replacement			25,000			
HVAC System			40,000			
Tractor with Snowblower						
Vent Cleaning (3)	done (every 5 years)					
Asphalt						80,000
Water Tank				15,000		
Boiler				31,000		
School Security						
School Software (spt. office)		35,000				
Elevator Upgrade		90,000				

The End In Mind ...



Road Budgets and Plan - 01/11/2021

Rec'd To-Date	FY21	FY22	PAVING PROJECTS - Summer/Fall 2021		Town Aid Road	
LOCIP Available Balance	\$ 41,398		Riverbank Restoration (guesstimate)	\$ 35,000	Balance 6/30/20	\$ 187,768
FY21 LOCIP	\$ 35,337		Wallens Hill Rd.		Expenditures through 12/31/20	\$ (191,955)
TAR Balance (Jan. 21)	\$ 93,362		PAVING, CURBING, DRIVEWAY APRONS.		From State (8/4/20)	\$ 97,549
TAR FY 21 (Jan. 21)	\$ 97,593		GRIND, GRADE AND ROLL			\$ 93,362
FY22 Town Road Budget		\$ 175,000	PROCESS GRAVEL			
Reserve for FY21 budget	\$ (40,000)		CATCH BASIN TOPS AND REPAIRS			
			TOPSOIL AND SEED			
LOCIP FY22		\$ 35,337		\$ 250,000		
TAR FY22		\$ 195,186				
				\$ 285,000		
Subtotal	\$ 227,690	\$ 405,523	CHIP SEAL 5 MILES	\$ 125,000		
			CRACK SEAL	\$ 10,000		
Total available funds		\$ 633,213		\$ 420,000		

Surplus for FY22/23

FARMINGTON RIVERBANK RESTORATION -W. RIVER RD	
STEAP GRANT	\$ 128,205
TOWN COST SHARE	\$ 32,175
FRCC (tbd)	\$ 10,000
TOWN IN-KIND	\$ 51,340
TOTAL PROJECT	\$ 221,720

Town of Barkhamsted

	2016 - 2017		2017 - 2018		2018 - 2019		2019 - 2020		2020 - 2021		2021 - 2022		%
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	As of 02/28/21	Budget	Increase	Increase
<u>SALARIES</u>													
6000100 - FIRST SELECTMAN	\$62,823	62,823.00	\$64,707	64,707.36	\$66,389	\$66,390	\$68,116	68,115.84	68,116.00	45,410.56	\$69,989	\$1,873	2.75%
6000200 - SELECTMEN	\$1,200	1,200.00	\$1,200	1,200.00	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	1,200.00	1,200.00	600.00	\$1,200	\$0	0.00%
6000300 - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	\$48,296	48,296.00	\$49,745	49,744.80	\$51,038	\$51,038	\$52,365	52,365.12	53,674.13	35,782.88	\$55,150	\$1,476	2.75%
6000400 - TAX COLLECTOR	\$38,697	38,697.00	\$39,858	39,857.76	\$40,894	\$40,894	\$41,958	41,957.28	43,006.95	28,670.88	\$44,189	\$1,182	2.75%
6000500 - TAX COLLECTOR'S ASSISTANT	\$10,450	10,397.90	\$10,764	9,439.50	\$10,171	\$10,230	\$10,171	10,046.60	11,314.00	6,340.72	\$11,627	\$313	2.77%
6000600 - ASSESSOR	\$48,296	48,296.00	\$49,745	53,572.30	\$51,038	\$55,247	\$59,865	56,515.90	59,416.80	42,078.24	\$62,650	\$3,233	5.44%
6000700 - ASSESSOR'S ASSISTANT	\$24,274	24,274.00	\$25,002	25,722.80	\$25,652	\$34,347	\$25,652	20,872.82	20,871.76	14,162.46	\$21,986	\$1,114	5.34%
6000800 - TOWN TREASURER	\$500	500.00	\$500	500.00	\$500	\$500	\$500	500.00	500.00	250.00	\$500	\$0	0.00%
6000900 - TOWN CLERK	\$48,296	48,296.00	\$49,745	49,744.80	\$51,038	\$51,038	\$52,365	52,365.12	53,674.13	35,782.88	\$55,150	\$1,476	2.75%
6001000 - ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK	\$10,450	8,800.63	\$10,764	8,880.65	\$10,758	\$6,949	\$10,758	9,845.87	11,314.00	8,310.31	\$11,627	\$313	2.77%
6001100 - BUILDING INSPECTOR	\$30,064	30,172.74	\$30,966	30,944.33	\$31,771	\$30,626	\$32,597	31,531.82	31,980.00	20,090.00	\$32,859	\$879	2.75%
6001200 - STAFF SECRETARY/LAND USE	\$48,296	48,595.92	\$49,745	49,535.57	\$51,038	\$50,609	\$52,365	52,144.83	53,674.13	35,782.88	\$55,150	\$1,476	2.75%
6001300 - ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	\$500	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$500	\$0	\$500	0.00	500.00	109.83	\$500	\$0	0.00%
6001600 - CUSTODIAN	\$16,566	16,555.44	\$17,063	16,344.20	\$17,507	\$16,773	\$17,962	16,462.82	18,411.05	10,767.06	\$18,917	\$506	2.75%
6001700 - REGISTRARS/ELECTION OFFICIALS	\$27,248	22,010.08	\$22,080	21,273.44	\$27,087	\$24,573	\$21,378	17,846.84	28,486.04	20,675.64	\$22,975	-\$5,511	-19.35%
6001800 - ROAD CREW FOREMAN	\$65,291	65,593.68	\$67,250	67,248.96	\$68,999	\$68,996	\$70,792	70,785.12	72,561.80	48,368.80	\$74,557	\$1,996	2.75%
6001900 - ROAD CREW FOREMAN OT	\$8,259	18,176.63	\$8,506	19,082.85	\$8,727	\$19,018	\$8,954	16,617.86	9,177.85	14,955.76	\$9,430	\$253	2.75%
6002000 - ROAD CREW MAINTAINERS	\$194,958	179,067.78	\$196,714	188,064.99	\$204,341	\$191,205	\$205,837	220,849.84	213,612.64	160,612.26	\$221,965	\$8,352	3.91%
6002100 - ROAD CREW MAINTAINERS OT	\$28,187	42,865.12	\$28,618	48,598.13	\$29,782	\$43,544	\$29,738	33,378.10	31,152.60	35,580.08	\$32,368	\$1,215	3.90%
6002500 - RECEIVABLES CLERK	\$8,036	7,087.68	\$8,277	8,845.90	\$8,492	\$8,597	\$8,713	9,073.32	8,930.83	7,171.85	\$9,177	\$246	2.75%
6002900 - EMERGENCY MGMT DIR	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$2,500	100.00%
<u>TOTAL SALARIES</u>	\$720,687	\$722,206	\$731,749	\$753,308	\$756,923	\$771,774	\$771,786	\$782,475	\$791,575	\$576,503	\$814,467	\$22,893	2.89%
<u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u>													
6050100 - SOCIAL SECURITY	\$48,121	\$47,418	\$49,195	\$48,712	\$49,903	\$49,530	\$50,736	\$48,492	\$51,954	\$35,724	\$53,522	\$1,568	3.02%
6050200 - INSURANCE-WORKMEN'S COMP	\$35,067	\$29,955	\$33,000	\$32,530	\$34,980	\$29,192	\$34,000	\$28,022	\$34,000	\$30,837	\$34,000	\$0	0.00%
6050300 - INSURANCE-EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$199,924	\$179,566	\$179,037	\$175,515	\$174,135	\$171,525	\$160,191	\$151,592	\$172,578	\$116,711	\$173,158	\$579	0.34%
6050400 - UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$1,000	\$16,505	\$1,000	\$340	\$0	\$1,276	\$0	\$2,808	\$2,000	\$111	\$2,000	\$0	0.00%
6050600 - PENSION FUND	\$62,076	\$63,263	\$59,286	\$55,272	\$58,573	\$56,640	\$52,439	\$52,150	\$62,906	\$61,364	\$61,066	-\$1,841	-2.93%
6050700 - LONGEVITY PAYMENTS	\$3,430	\$2,910	\$3,030	\$3,030	\$3,150	\$3,050	\$3,170	\$3,170	\$3,350	\$3,350	\$3,410	\$60	1.79%
6050800 - MEDICARE	\$11,223	\$11,090	\$11,474	\$11,392	\$11,476	\$11,584	\$11,871	\$11,341	\$12,156	\$8,355	\$12,523	\$367	3.02%
6051100 - SAFETY SHOES	\$750	\$750	\$1,000	\$907	\$1,250	\$1,082	\$1,500	\$1,334	\$1,500	\$541	\$1,500	\$0	0.00%
<u>TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u>	\$361,591	\$351,457	\$337,022	\$327,698	\$333,467	\$323,877	\$313,907	\$298,909	\$340,445	\$256,994	\$341,178	\$734	0.22%

	2016 - 2017		2017 - 2018		2018 - 2019		2019 - 2020		2020 - 2021		2021 - 2022		%
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	As of 02/28/21	Budget	Increase	Increase
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>													
6100100 - SELECTMAN'S OFFICE	\$500	\$1,268	\$750	\$385	\$750	\$790	\$750	\$1,059	\$750	\$40	\$750	\$0	0.00%
6100200 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$8,500	\$8,485	\$8,500	\$9,376	\$8,500	\$8,877	\$8,500	\$10,386	\$8,500	\$7,727	\$8,500	\$0	0.00%
6100300 - PRINTING	\$1,450	\$1,341	\$1,450	\$1,345	\$1,450	\$1,405	\$1,450	\$1,401	\$1,450	\$0	\$1,450	\$0	0.00%
6100400 - PROBATE COURT	\$3,062	\$2,738	\$3,010	\$2,085	\$3,105	\$3,476	\$3,179	\$2,677	\$3,258	\$1,312	\$3,258	\$0	0.00%
6100500 - ELECTION	\$12,810	\$9,424	\$7,680	\$5,873	\$10,520	\$7,916	\$9,380	\$3,729	\$10,995	\$5,556	\$9,365	-\$1,630	-14.82%
6100600 - TAX COLLECTOR	\$11,955	\$12,804	\$12,325	\$11,917	\$12,809	\$13,465	\$12,939	\$12,800	\$13,211	\$8,768	\$13,211	\$0	0.00%
6100700 - BOARD OF FINANCE	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$256	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$0	0.00%
6100800 - AUDIT	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0	0.00%
6100900 - ASSESSOR	\$16,655	\$16,037	\$17,420	\$15,392	\$16,835	\$13,531	\$17,703	\$15,515	\$22,751	\$15,542	\$19,744	-\$3,007	-13.22%
6101000 - BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	0.00%
6101100 - TOWN COUNSEL	\$10,000	\$19,266	\$10,000	\$12,827	\$10,000	\$18,651	\$10,000	\$50,824	\$10,000	\$18,703	\$10,000	\$0	0.00%
6101300 - TOWN CLERK	\$10,520	\$10,661	\$10,750	\$10,146	\$9,950	\$9,432	\$9,950	\$7,996	\$9,950	\$5,339	\$9,950	\$0	0.00%
6101400 - INSURANCE - PROPERTY/CASUALTY	\$32,951	\$33,624	\$33,000	\$33,889	\$34,650	\$28,970	\$35,690	\$32,768	\$37,118	\$37,247	\$37,118	\$0	0.00%
6101500 - PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION	\$2,200	\$2,143	\$2,500	\$1,705	\$2,500	\$2,756	\$2,500	\$1,614	\$2,500	\$340	\$2,500	\$0	0.00%
6101600 - BUILDING/ LAND USE DEPARTMENT	\$4,100	\$2,313	\$4,345	\$1,698	\$5,000	\$3,015	\$3,000	\$2,433	\$4,445	\$710	\$4,445	\$0	0.00%
6101700 - CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$500	\$401	\$500	\$656	\$500	\$810	\$500	\$346	\$500	\$35	\$500	\$0	0.00%
6101800 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COM	\$1,000	\$466	\$1,000	-\$15	\$1,000	\$1,187	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	0.00%
6101900 - COMPUTER EXPENSE	\$6,500	\$10,161	\$7,230	\$9,342	\$7,580	\$4,559	\$5,299	\$7,139	\$6,200	\$7,745	\$6,200	\$0	0.00%
6102000 - UTILITIES - FUEL OIL	\$3,002	\$2,552	\$3,000	\$3,767	\$3,000	\$3,639	\$3,400	\$3,409	\$3,400	\$1,383	\$3,400	\$0	0.00%
6102100 - UTILITIES - ELECTRICITY	\$17,750	\$21,850	\$20,000	\$20,590	\$22,000	\$18,247	\$23,500	\$14,886	\$20,000	\$10,598	\$20,000	\$0	0.00%
6102200 - UTILITIES - TELEPHONE	\$4,500	\$4,176	\$4,500	\$4,010	\$4,176	\$4,152	\$4,176	\$4,398	\$4,176	\$2,934	\$4,176	\$0	0.00%
6102300 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	\$250	\$111	\$250	\$85	\$250	\$77	\$250	\$86	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$0	0.00%
6102400 - LEGAL NOTICES	\$3,500	\$2,482	\$4,000	\$2,885	\$3,500	\$2,522	\$3,500	\$2,096	\$3,500	\$1,529	\$3,500	\$0	0.00%
6102700 - INLAND WETLAND COMMISSION	\$1,000	\$928	\$1,000	\$592	\$1,000	\$490	\$1,000	\$404	\$1,000	\$591	\$1,000	\$0	0.00%
6102800 - INTERNET TOWN HALL	\$1,675	\$2,209	\$14,045	\$11,619	\$8,050	\$7,750	\$8,050	\$6,444	\$8,050	\$3,991	\$8,050	\$0	0.00%
6103000 - CONTRACT - BANK SERVICE	\$3,000	\$3,846	\$3,500	\$3,524	\$2,197	\$2,539	\$2,197	\$2,729	\$2,197	\$2,598	\$2,197	\$0	0.00%
6103100 - ORDINANCES			\$0	\$0	\$1,150	\$834	\$1,150	\$715	\$1,150	\$0	\$1,150	\$0	0.00%
<u>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	\$172,680	\$184,285	\$186,055	\$178,946	\$185,772	\$174,090	\$184,363	\$200,956	\$191,651	\$147,687	\$187,014	-\$4,637	-2.42%
<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</u>													
6150100 - GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE	\$40,000	\$29,180	\$35,000	\$13,618	\$35,000	\$22,254	\$35,000	\$30,305	\$35,000	\$28,386	\$35,000	\$0	0.00%
6150200 - SAND & SALT	\$85,000	\$80,401	\$95,000	\$130,277	\$95,000	\$94,587	\$95,000	\$81,701	\$95,000	\$80,347	\$95,000	\$0	0.00%
6150300 - GAS, GREASE, & OIL	\$52,000	\$33,745	\$45,000	\$35,092	\$45,000	\$38,491	\$36,000	\$33,538	\$36,000	\$17,621	\$36,000	\$0	0.00%
6150400 - TOWN GARAGE	\$9,000	\$9,336	\$15,000	\$15,181	\$15,000	\$17,151	\$15,000	\$19,372	\$15,000	\$9,728	\$15,000	\$0	0.00%
6150500 - TOOLS & REPAIRS	\$55,000	\$82,306	\$60,000	\$71,723	\$60,000	\$68,664	\$60,000	\$107,768	\$60,000	\$59,866	\$60,000	\$0	0.00%
6150600 - CONTRACT - SNOW PLOWING	\$25,000	\$30,603	\$20,000	\$28,121	\$20,000	\$17,014	\$20,000	\$15,588	\$20,000	\$20,684	\$20,000	\$0	0.00%
6150700 - ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	\$175,000	\$176,966	\$175,000	\$94,758	\$175,000	\$183,343	\$175,000	\$166,274	\$175,000	\$183,839	\$175,000	\$0	0.00%
6150800 - HEATING OIL	\$6,626	\$4,935	\$8,000	\$6,173	\$5,000	\$5,908	\$6,500	\$6,577	\$5,000	\$2,706	\$5,000	\$0	0.00%
6150xxx - TREE MAINTENANCE			\$5,000	\$23,003	\$5,000	\$23,972	\$12,000	\$24,634	\$15,000	\$17,820	\$15,000	\$0	0.00%
<u>TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</u>	\$447,626	\$447,471	\$458,000	\$417,946	\$455,000	\$471,384	\$454,500	\$485,756	\$456,000	\$420,997	\$456,000	\$0	0.00%

	2016 - 2017		2017 - 2018		2018 - 2019		2019 - 2020		2020 - 2021		2021 - 2022		%
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	As of 02/28/21	Budget	Increase	Increase
<u>HEALTH/PUBLIC SAFETY</u>													
6200100 - NEW HARTFORD AMBULANCE	\$40,665	\$40,665	\$45,504	\$45,401	\$45,504	\$45,401	\$44,319	\$44,319	\$40,000	\$32,714	\$43,619	\$3,619	9.05%
6200200 - FARMINGTON VALLEY HEALTH	\$19,451	\$19,451	\$19,715	\$19,715	\$20,152	\$20,152	\$22,089	\$22,089	\$23,556	\$27,882	\$25,242	\$1,686	7.16%
6200300 - FOOTHILLS VISITING NURSE	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$11,886	\$8,915	\$11,886	\$0	0.00%
6200500 - WINSTED AMBULANCE FUND	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$7,350	\$0	0.00%
6200600 - HELPING HANDS SERVICE	\$750	\$750.00	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0	\$750	\$0	0.00%
6200700 - NW MENTAL HEALTH COUNCIL	\$408	\$408.00	\$405	\$405	\$403	\$403	\$402	\$403	\$402	\$0	\$402	\$0	0.00%
6200800 - BUREAU OF YOUTH SERVICES	\$6,236	\$6,236.00	\$6,423	\$6,423	\$6,423	\$6,423	\$6,423	\$6,423	\$6,423	\$6,423	\$6,616	\$193	3.00%
6200900 - SUSAN B. ANTHONY HOUSE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	0.00%
6201000 - PARAMEDIC INTERCEPT	\$30,845	\$27,490	\$30,845	\$29,545	\$24,906	\$24,906	\$24,906	\$24,906	\$24,906	\$18,680	\$24,906	\$0	0.00%
6201200 - RESIDENT TROOPER	\$164,063	\$169,849	\$168,985	\$184,351	\$189,260	\$189,460	\$199,188	\$176,045	\$180,708	\$1,059	\$176,470	-\$4,238	-2.35%
6201300 - RESIDENT TROOPER OVERTIME	\$500	\$122	\$500	\$568	\$500	\$1,389	\$500	\$3,444	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0	0.00%
6201400 - ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM	\$1,297	\$1,297	\$1,377	\$1,377	\$1,136	\$1,136	\$1,468	\$1,468	\$1,466	\$1,466	\$1,222	-\$244	-16.64%
6201500 - TOWN CONSTABLE	\$52,788	\$50,506	\$54,329	\$45,482	\$55,742	\$44,506	\$57,191	\$38,296	\$58,621	\$23,499	\$58,621	\$0	0.00%
6201600 - FISH	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0	0.00%
<u>TOTAL HEALTH/PUBLIC SAFETY</u>	\$336,739	\$336,509	\$348,569	\$353,752	\$365,512	\$355,262	\$377,972	\$338,879	\$358,067	\$128,987	\$359,083	\$1,016	0.28%
6300200 - STANCLIFT COVE	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500	\$0	0.00%
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>													
6350100 - TOWN HALL - M&R	\$9,000	\$7,857	\$9,000	\$9,753	\$9,000	\$7,299	\$9,000	\$11,120	\$9,000	\$11,834	\$9,000	\$0	0.00%
6350300 - LIBRARY	\$35,403	\$35,403	\$35,747	\$35,747	\$35,747	\$36,104	\$36,826	\$36,826	\$37,931	\$37,931	\$38,690	\$759	2.00%
6350400 - RIVERTON PARK	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,500	\$1,612	\$1,500	\$1,794	\$1,700	\$2,018	\$1,700	\$1,120	\$1,700	\$0	0.00%
6350500 - FRWA	\$480	\$480	\$556	\$556	\$556	\$556	\$556	\$556	\$556	\$571	\$571	\$0	0.00%
6350600 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$1,000	\$338	\$1,000	\$1,416	\$1,000	\$107	\$1,000	\$3,575	\$2,000	\$64	\$2,000	\$0	0.00%
6350900 - CCM	\$2,347	\$2,347	\$2,347	\$2,422	\$2,422	\$2,347	\$2,422	\$2,347	\$2,422	\$1,174	\$2,422	\$0	0.00%
6351000 - NWHCOG	\$2,964	\$2,964	\$2,948	\$2,948	\$2,948	\$2,931	\$2,921	\$2,921	\$2,900	\$2,899	\$2,885	-\$15	-0.52%
6351700 - COST	\$725	\$725	\$725	\$725	\$725	\$725	\$725	\$810	\$725	\$975	\$975	\$250	34.48%
6351800 - NWCD	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0	0.00%
6351900 - NW CT RURAL TRANSIT DISTRICT	\$801	\$801	\$801	\$801	\$801	\$801	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$0	0.00%
6352100 - GREENWOODS COUNSELING	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	0.00%
<u>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</u>	\$55,620	\$53,815	\$56,324	\$57,679	\$56,399	\$54,363	\$57,650	\$62,673	\$59,749	\$59,068	\$60,743	\$3,093	5.37%
<u>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	\$2,101,443	\$2,102,243	\$2,124,219	\$2,095,830	\$2,159,573	\$2,157,251	\$2,166,678	\$2,176,147	\$2,200,987	\$1,590,236	\$2,221,986	\$20,999	0.95%
6500300 - NO APPR. - TAX REFUNDS		\$18,216		\$35,480			\$0	\$11,932		\$8,189		\$0	#DIV/0!
6550100 - REGIONAL SCHOOL #7	\$5,283,054	\$5,254,633	\$5,380,228	\$4,842,205	\$5,692,842	\$5,692,842.00	\$6,026,962	\$6,026,962	\$6,026,082	\$4,123,902	\$6,325,624	\$299,542	4.97%
6550200 - RRDD #1	\$76,308	\$76,308	\$66,980	\$50,235	\$67,650	\$67,648	\$67,650	\$67,652	\$67,650	\$50,739	\$69,680	\$2,030	3.00%
6550300 - BARKHAMSTED SCHOOL	\$4,242,886	\$4,194,546	\$4,208,823	\$2,910,353	\$4,122,870	\$4,149,886	\$4,084,096	\$4,204,067	\$4,326,394	\$2,393,344	\$4,326,394	\$0	0.00%
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>													
0000000 - BES SCHOOL ROOF PRINCIPLE	\$0	\$515,000	\$110,000	\$105,000	\$110,000	\$105,000	\$110,000	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$0	\$105,000	\$0	0.00%
0000000 - BES SCHOOL ROOF INTEREST	\$68,000	\$34,903	\$20,742	\$21,588	\$18,009	\$18,874	\$15,319	\$16,203	\$12,544	\$0	\$9,936	-\$2,608	-20.79%
6550600 - TOWN GARAGE PRINCIPLE	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$0	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$0	\$95,000	\$5,000	5.56%
6550700 - TOWN GARAGE INTEREST	\$44,300	\$44,300	\$42,600	\$21,300	\$40,900	\$40,900	\$39,200	\$39,200	\$36,950	\$18,475	\$34,700	-\$2,250	-6.09%
<u>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</u>	\$197,300	\$679,203	\$258,342	\$147,888	\$253,909	\$249,774	\$254,519	\$250,403	\$244,494	\$18,475	\$244,636	\$142	0.06%
7101000 - BUDGET TRANSFER RECREATION	\$10,100	\$10,100	\$10,300	\$10,300	\$10,568	\$10,568	\$10,843	\$10,843	\$11,114	\$11,114	\$11,420	\$306	2.75%
7102000 - BUDGET TRANSFER CAPITAL RES	\$44,000	\$44,000	\$232,200	\$232,200	\$233,130	\$233,130	\$374,600	\$374,600	\$311,245	\$311,245	\$387,000	\$75,755	24.34%
7103000 - BUDGET TRANSFER DOG FUND	\$10,100	\$10,100	\$10,100	\$10,100	\$10,100	\$14,100	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0	0.00%
7105000 - BUDGET TRANSFER SENIOR FUND	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$20,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$0	0.00%

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7

R E V E N U E S

	Actual Receipts 2019-2020	Adopted Budget Estimate 2020-2021	Amended 2020-2021	ESTIMATE 2021-2022
1000 Revenues-Local Sources (Excluding Assessment from Towns)				
1300 TUITIONS				
Tuition-Regular	574,062	559,120	559,120	572,236
Tuition-Special Education	66,926	0	0	0
Tuition-Vocational Agriculture	392,681	409,380	409,380	402,557
Tuition-Other Regular	0	0	0	0
TOTAL 1300 TUITION	1,033,669	968,500	968,500	974,793
1500 INTEREST INCOME	19,937	15,000	15,000	15,000
1900 OTHER LOCAL INCOME				
Rent Income	7,700	7,500	7,500	7,500
Miscellaneous Income	0	0	0	0
Sprint Contract	33,459	36,500	36,500	33,500
Unexpended Encumbrances	250,861	0	0	0
TOTAL 1900 OTHER LOCAL INCOME	292,020	44,000	44,000	41,000
3000 REVENUE-STATE SOURCES				
Reg. & Tech. Transportation Grants	0	0	0	0
Magnet School Transportation	0	0	0	0
Vo-Ag Operating Grant	386,729	386,729	386,729	429,384
Special Ed. Excess Costs	0	0	0	0
Hold Harmless	0	0	0	0
TOTAL 3000 STATE SOURCES	386,729	386,729	386,729	429,384
4000 REVENUE-FEDERAL SOURCES	0	0	0	0
5000 REVENUE (Surplus)/Deficit	-389,082	0		0

BUDGET	21,517,278	22,061,487	22,061,487	22,469,181
Less REVENUES (listed above)	1,343,273	1,414,229	1,414,229	1,460,177
Less PRIOR Year SURPLUS	599,593	678,541	678,541	953,304
Restricted State ASTE Grant	0	-92,818	-92,818	0
COVID-19 Town Credit	0	0	0	-200,000
Total	599,593	585,723	585,723	753,304
ASSESSMENTS FROM TOWNS	19,574,412	20,061,535	20,061,535	20,255,700

Regional School District No. 7

R E V E N U E S

	Actual Assess. 2019-2020	Actual Assess. 2020-2021	Est. Assess. 2021-2022	Inc/Dec. In Assess.	Percent Inc/Dec In Assess.
1100 Assessments to Towns					
1121 Barkhamsted	6,026,962	5,976,331	6,325,855	349,524	5.85%
1122 Colebrook	1,894,803	1,941,957	2,031,647	89,690	4.62%
1123 New Hartford	9,716,738	10,440,023	10,277,742	-162,281	-1.55%
1124 Norfolk	1,935,909	1,703,224	1,620,456	-82,768	-4.86%
TOTAL ASSESSMENTS	19,574,412	20,061,535	20,255,700	194,165	0.97%

	October 1, 2019		October 1, 2020*		Increase/ Decrease in ADM
TOWNS	ACTUAL ADM	ADM RATIO	EST. ADM*	ADM RATIO	
Barkhamsted	277.0	0.2979	277.0	0.3123	0.0
Colebrook	90.0	0.0968	89.0	0.1003	-1.0
New Hartford	484.0	0.5204	450.0	0.5074	-34.0
Norfolk	79.0	0.0849	71.0	0.0800	-8.0
TOTALS	930.0	1.0000	887.0	1.0000	-43.0

*ADM Estimate-October 1, 2020 - Subject to verification by State Department of Education

ESTIMATED NET PER PUPIL COST

	2018-2019 ACT. \$18,187.		AT REGIONAL #7		ADM FROM TOWNS
2019-2020 ACT. \$18,974. 4.3% Inc.		Oct. 1	Enroll. 2018 - 1063		2018-19 Act. 971.0
2020-2021 EST. \$19,951. 5.1% Inc.		Oct. 1	Enroll. 2019 - 1025		2019-20 Act. 930.0
2021-2022 EST. \$21,622. 8.4% Inc.		EST. Oct. 1	Enroll. 2020 - 983		2020-21 Est. 887.0
		EST. Oct. 1	Enroll. 2021 - 921		2021-22 Est. 828.0

Est. per pupil cost exclusive of transportation,
debt service, capital outlay, and tuition students to
out-of-district schools.

INCREASE IN BUDGET OVER 2020-2021 EXPENDITURES: \$407,694. or 1.85% Increase

INCREASE IN ASSESSMENTS TO TOWNS: \$194,165. or .97% Increase

ESTIMATED DECREASE IN PUPIL ENROLLMENT: 61 Students

Bonded Indebtedness As

Of June 30, 2022:

BONDS - 6/01/2022 Retirement = 0



CONGRESSMAN JOHN B. LARSON
CONNECTICUT'S 1ST

March 10, 2021

First Selectman Donald P. Stein
67 Ripley Hill Road
Barkhamsted, CT 06063

Dear First Selectman Stein:

We committed to following up with you, and I am writing to inform you of the final passage of the American Rescue Plan Act. The bill will be officially signed into law by President Biden this Friday. The legislation, as you know, provides direct relief to local governments and local educational agencies (LEAs). Local governments are on the frontlines of this pandemic. You provide the firefighters, police, emergency medical services, education, and so much more for your communities. At the same time, local governments have been hit hard due to the economic downturn and this federal assistance is sorely needed.

The American Rescue Plan Act includes the following for the town/city of Barkhamsted:

Municipal Aid: \$356,031

Local Educational Agency (LEA) Aid: \$58,000

The American Rescue Plan Act also provides county funding in addition to municipal aid. For states like Connecticut without county-level governance, these funds will be paid to the state to be distributed to municipalities within those counties proportionate to population.

• CT-01 Counties:

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|---------------------|---------------|
| ○ Hartford County | \$173 million |
| ○ Litchfield County | \$35 million |
| ○ Middlesex County | \$32 million |

**Please note these estimates are approximations, not guarantees. These estimates are subject to change based on agency interpretation and implementation.*

In addition to municipal aid, the American Rescue Plan Act includes direct payments to individuals, expanded unemployment benefits, small business relief, funding for vaccines, testing, and much more. To learn more about the municipal and education funding and other provisions in the American Rescue Plan Act, visit www.larson.house.gov/AmericanRescue.

I look forward to working with you in the coming weeks and months as this relief is delivered to the state and municipalities. We promised that help is on the way, and it is. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 860-278-8888.

Sincerely,

Don, all the best!

John B. Larson

American Rescue Plan Act Funds	
Barkhamsted School District	\$58,000
Litchfield County (on a per capita basis, we could quality for as much as \$700,000, but the calculation is not yet been defined)	\$34,974,475
Regional High School District 07	\$198,000
Barkhamsted town	\$356,031

Acceptable Use of Funds for Local Government Under the American Rescue Plan

NOTE THAT THIS IS PRELIMINARY INFORMATION AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- (A) To respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID–19 or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- (B) To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID–19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of local government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
- (C) For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such local government due to the COVID–19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency; or
- (D) To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

Local governments cannot use funds for deposit into any pension fund. In addition, cannot be used for directly or indirectly offsetting a tax cut.

Revenues	Actual 2019/2020	Budget 2020/2021	Proposed 2021/2022	% Change 2021/2022	Change 2021/2022
Taxes					
Current Year	\$10,820,843	\$10,687,485	\$11,413,167	6.79%	\$725,682
Prior Year	\$237,314	\$85,000	\$85,000	0.00%	\$0
Interest/Lien Fees	\$115,656	\$60,000	\$60,000	0.00%	\$0
Total Taxes	\$11,173,813	\$10,832,485	\$11,558,167	6.70%	\$725,682
Other Town Revenue					
Town Clerk Fees	\$27,364	\$30,000	\$30,000	0.00%	\$0
Interest on Investments	\$46,954	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%	\$0
Conveyance Tax	\$41,473	\$20,000	\$20,000	0.00%	\$0
Building Permits/PZC Fees	\$38,572	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.00%	\$0
BOS & Miscellaneous Fees	\$22,394	\$25,000	\$25,000	0.00%	\$0
Region #7 SRO Reimbursement	\$38,535	\$58,621	\$58,621	0.00%	\$0
Total Other Town Revenue	\$215,292	\$178,621	\$178,621	0.00%	\$0
State Revenue					\$0
BES ECS Grant	\$1,573,755	\$1,494,242	\$1,494,242	0.00%	\$0
Special Education					\$0
PILOT State Owned Property	\$9,887	\$9,887	\$9,887	0.00%	\$0
Pequot Grant	\$6,728	\$6,728	\$6,728	0.00%	\$0
Elderly Property Tax Relief (Other Gi	\$35,826				\$0
PILOT M & E Revenue Sharing	\$41,462	\$41,462	\$41,462	0.00%	\$0
Misc (SA Ed/Vet Ex/Other Grants)	\$13,245	\$1,546	\$1,088	-29.62%	-\$458
Total State Revenue	\$1,680,903	\$1,553,865	\$1,553,407	-0.03%	-\$458
Total Other Town & State Revenue	\$1,896,195	\$1,732,486	\$1,732,028	-0.03%	-\$458
Previous Year's Surplus*		\$290,000	\$290,000	0.00%	0
Total All Revenue	\$13,070,008	\$12,854,971	\$13,580,195	5.64%	\$725,224
Expenses					
General Government Budget	\$2,161,893	\$2,200,988	\$2,219,709	0.85%	\$18,721
Board of Education Budget	\$4,066,060	\$4,326,394	\$4,448,156	2.81%	\$121,762
Northwestern Regional #7 Budget	\$6,026,962	\$5,976,331	\$6,325,624	5.84%	\$349,293
MSW & R	\$67,652	\$67,650	\$67,650	0.00%	\$0
Debt Service	\$250,403	\$244,494	\$244,636	0.06%	\$142
Teacher Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	\$0
Total Expenses	\$12,572,970	\$12,815,857	\$13,305,775	3.82%	\$489,918
Transfers					
Recreation Fund	\$10,843	\$11,114	\$11,420	2.75%	\$306
Capital Reserve Fund	\$374,600	\$0	\$235,000	#DIV/0!	\$235,000
Dog Fund	\$11,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	0.00%	\$0
Senior Center	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	0.00%	\$0
School Roof Project	\$54,666	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Total Expenses	\$13,037,079	\$12,854,971	\$13,580,195	5.64%	\$725,224
Amount to be raised by taxes					
Grand List		\$10,687,485	\$11,413,167		
Tax Revenue from 1 Mill		\$358,078,790	\$361,289,638	0.90%	\$3,210,848
Tax Collection Rate		\$358,079	\$361,290		
Tax Revenue 1 Mill @ Collection Rate		97.00%	98.00%		
Mill Rate		\$347,336	\$354,064		
		30.77	32.23	4.76%	1.46
Current Surplus					
TAR		\$1,503,806	11.53%		
LOCIP		\$195,098			
Teacher Retirement		\$35,337			
		\$0			

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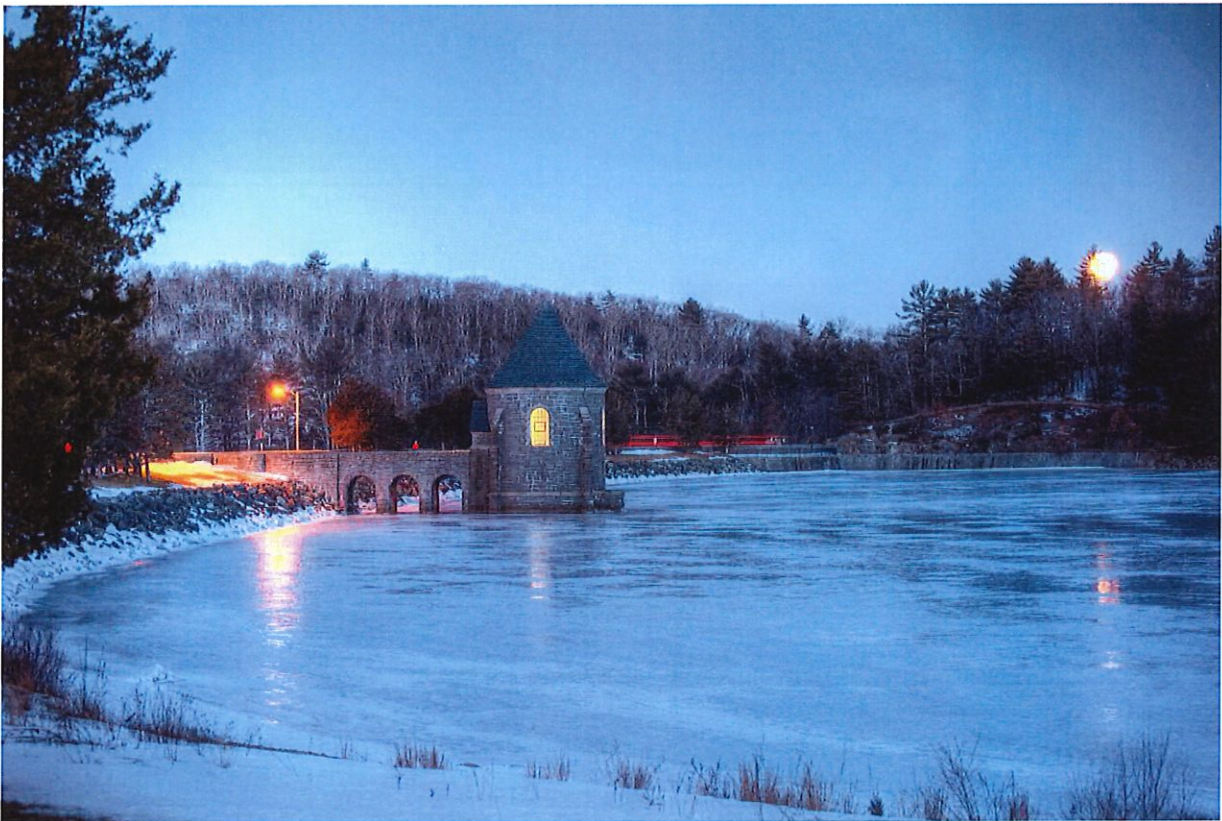


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Notice of Public Meetings

Annual Budget Hearing – Tuesday, April 6, 2021, Virtual via Zoom

Annual Town Meeting/Annual Budget – Tuesday, May 4, 2021,
The Barkhamsted School

Jim Shanley
Emergency Management Director
Pleasant Valley Fire Chief



During the past year, the Town of Barkhamsted, the State, the Country, and the entire world have seen a pandemic that has had a severe impact on the economy, and which has caused the death of millions of people.

Barkhamsted is fortunate to have dedicated volunteers, and Jim Shanley has stepped up to the task of protecting and assisting our residents during this extremely difficult, once in 100 years, situation. We are lucky to have Jim and the many other people who selflessly support our Town's residents.

Town of Barkhamsted
Board of Finance
Regular Meeting
Tuesday February 16, 2021, 7:00PM
Virtual Meeting

Chairman Richard Winn called the meeting to order at 7:02pm Present were:

John Doyle	(*)
Matthew Kelly	Absent
David Moulton	(*)
Julia Pattison	(*)
Salvatore Tartaglione	(*)
Richard Winn	(*)
Frank Miceli	(alt) (*)
George Walsh	(alt) (*)

Also Present	
First Selectman Don Stein	(*)
Selectman Nick Lukiwsky	(*)

Motion to seat George Walsh for Matt Kelly and Frank Miceli for Sal Tartaglione (Note: Sal Tartaglione joined the meeting, but his connection appeared to be intermittent.

By Dave Moulton, seconded by John Doyle

Vote: Unanimous Yea

Transfers: None

Review of General Government budget and Capital budget expenditures to-date, through 1/31/21

Review led by Selectman Stein

Tax collections holding steady; expect to meet budget goals for collections;
General Government expenditures are in line with the budget and are expected to
end the year with a modest surplus after the application of Town Aid Road and
LOCIP. Legal expenses are still above budget due to on-going lawsuits.

Town Aid Road and other grants have been coming in as planned.

Discussion of Capital Project expenditures and fund balances: after the committee meeting, the outlook for the capital fund looked more positive for the Town with

an increase in the estimated \$155,000 surplus from closed out or soon to be closed out projects and State reimbursement. This is higher than originally anticipated based on a review of the fund by the Town auditor.

Discussion of FY 21/22 budgets, including General Government, Education, Capital and Road Plan

Discussion led by Selectman Stein, blended in with the above discussion. The initial General Government budget shows a modest increase of 0.85%, based on the budgeted employee raises, a cap on health insurance premium increases of 7.95% and inputs from agencies and the town departments. There is a modest stipend (\$2500) in the budget for the Emergency Management Director based on the demands on this volunteer position based on the COVID requirements and the Town's response. The Capital Plan and Road Plan are unchanged since the last review with the exception of the increased surplus available to offset capital costs.

Discussion of State budget and Municipal Aid, including COVID Relief Funds

Discussion led by Selectman Stein of Road and Projects Plan and expectations of State Aid including COVID Relief Funds. Much blended in with the above two items. State view is that this year's deficit is down, but still projected for the next two years. The Governor's budget reflects using the Federal COVID relief funds to close the deficit and show all current municipal aid staying flat. However, it wasn't clear when those funds would be made available and what restrictions might be placed on their use. Don Stein told the Board that he would provide a summary of all COVID relief funds received to-date and anticipated by the Town and how they have been used or can be used.

Preliminary Revenue Sheet Rich Winn presented a preliminary Revenue Sheet that included the General Government budget (0.85% increase), the projected increase in the Regional 7 budget (5.94% or ~\$350,000), and a 0.9% increase in the value of the Grand List. If the collection rate projection were to be increased and funds from the undesignated surplus were to be used to reduce the capital expenditures, the tax increase would be less than 5%.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of January 19, 2020

By John Doyle; Seconded by Julia Pattison

Vote: Unanimous Yea

Correspondence None

Any other business legal and proper to come before said meeting

Quick note of Sewer project making progress and the new store renovations proceeding at Mallory Brook Plaza; John Doyle requested that the Town provide a balance sheet for the General Government and Board of Education budgets, including town debt; there was also consensus that this year's annual report honor Jim Shanley, the Emergency Management Director for his extraordinary efforts to support the town during the COVID pandemic crisis.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. by George Walsh, Seconded by Julia Pattison
/ Unanimous

Respectfully submitted

Date: February 17, 2021

Don Stein, acting for the Secretary - BOF
