

Town of Barkhamsted
Board of Finance
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 16, 2025

Chairman Richard Winn called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Present were:

Board Members

David Moulton

Scott Thomas

Richard Winn

Mark Hemenway (arrived at 8:22 p.m.)

Also Present:

First Selectman, Nick Lukiwsky

School Superintendent, James Agostine

New School Superintendent, Erika Sacharko

Debbie Brydon, Barkhamsted America250 Committee

Due to a lack of a quorum the first part of the meeting was informational only.

James Agostine introduced Erika Sacharko as the new superintendent. Erika is the curriculum coordinator currently. When she takes over as superintendent she will be in the building full-time, splitting her time between the two positions.

Superintendent Agostine reported that due to a student needing out placement the special education portion of the budget this year is estimated to be \$162,000 short. The school will do their best to minimize the short fall but can only do so much. The Board of Finance members present agreed we would work with the school to fund the short fall.

Debbie Brydon spoke about some of the events the Barkhamsted America250 committee was looking to do in 2026 to celebrate. One of the events they would like to do is a drone show. They had investigated a fireworks show, but finding a suitable location in town was difficult. The cost of the drone show was similar to a fireworks show (around \$25,000). The board agreed to address the need when we had a quorum.

Chairman Winn informed the board that Northwestern Regional #7 was starting teacher negotiations. The first negotiation session will be in October.

Review of transfers for 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Review of general government and capital budget expenditures to date (including balances of miscellaneous funds). Expenditures were as expected at this point in the fiscal cycle.

Member Mark Hemenway joined the meeting at 8:22 p.m. and constituted a quorum.

Motion to seat Hemenway was made by Mouton, seconded by Thomas. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Moulton, seconded by Hemenway to authorize an expenditure of \$19,990 out the general fund balance for the use of a drone show in the spring of 2026. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mouton, seconded by Hemenway to approve the transfers as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Moulton, seconded by Thomas to approve the minutes of July 15, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Moulton, seconded by Thomas to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard Winn, acting secretary

September 22, 2025

6	605-01	1,480.96	Social Security	605-06	4,217.87	Pension Fund
	605-04	2,000.00	Unemp. Comp.			
	605-08	736.91	Medicare			
		4,217.87			4,217.87	
7	610-14	2,118.85	Insurance Prop.Caus.	610-16	968.82	Building Inspector
		2,118.85		610-30	1,150.03	Contract Bank Svc
					2,118.85	
8	615-01	10,969.11	General Maintenance	615-04	10,969.11	Town Garage
		10,969.11			10,969.11	
9	615-03	6,287.37	Gas, Grease, Oil	615-05	66,283.00	Tools & Repairs
	615-07	35,855.10	Road Improvements			
	620-05	14,700.00	Winsted Ambulance			
	620-12	9,440.53	Resident Trooper			
		66,283.00			66,283.00	
10	620-12	6,387.41	Resident Trooper	620-15	9,419.80	SRO
	600-17	2,588.49	Registrars/Elections			
	600-13	443.90	Zoning Enforcement Off.			
		9,419.80			9,419.80	
11	615-09	239.24	Tree Maintenance	635-10	500.00	LHCEO
	615-01	166.79	General Maintenance			
	610-06	93.97	Tax Collector			
		500.00			500.00	
12	620-13	20.00	RST OT	620-03	20.00	FVVN
		20.00			20.00	
13	600-21	4,462.00	Road Crew Maint. OT	615-06	4,462.00	Contract Snow Plowing
		4,462.00			4,462.00	
14	600-21	672.65	Road Crew Maint. OT	615-08	672.65	Heating Fuel Oil TG
		672.65			672.65	
15	610-02	140.00	General Government	635-06	140.00	Emergency Mgmt
		140.00			140.00	
		143,071.93			143,071.93	

Town of Barkhamsted							
Fiscal Year 2024 - 2025 Transfers							
From				To			
Number	Account Number	Amount	Account Name	Account Number	Amount	Account Name	
1	600-11	5,840.66	Building Inspector P/R	635-01	15,215.01	Town Hall M & R	
	600-20	1,538.17	RC Maintainers				
	600-28	1,672.69	Recievables Clerk				
	600-30	416.72	Admin. Clerk				
	600-21	670.40	RC Maintainier OT				
	605-11	561.65	Safety Shoes				
	610-31	1,000.00	Ordinances				
	615-02	1,398.85	Sand & Salt				
	610-03	515.00	Printing				
	610-18	861.09	EDC				
	610-27	682.84	Inland Wetlands				
	610-23	56.94	ZBA				
		15,215.01			15,215.01		
2	600-12	330.35	Staff Secretary	635-04	2,235.51	Riverton Park	
	600-10	30.15	Assistant Town Clerk				
	610-24	494.62	Legal Notices				
	610-20	260.42	Utilities - Heating Oil				
	610-07	200.00	Board of Finance				
	610-09	363.79	Assessor				
	610-13	275.08	Town Clerk				
	610-17	281.10	Conservation Comm.				
		2,235.51			2,235.51		
3	610-05	7,198.65	Elections	610-01	424.00	Selectman's Office	
				610-04	3,911.99	Probate Court	
				610-11	1,412.70	Town Council	
				610-15	1,438.06	P&Z	
				610-22	11.90	Utilities-Telephone	
		7,198.65			7,198.65		
4	600-17	13,953.34	Registrars/Elections	600-05	0.60	Tax Collector Assist.	
				600-07	1.16	Assessor Assist.	
				600-19	7,367.08	RC Foreman OT	
				610-19	2,594.45	Computer Expense	
				610-21	3,990.05	Utilities - Electric	
		13,953.34			13,953.34		
5	605-02	3,903.44	Insurance/WC	605-03	5,666.14	Ins. Employee Ben.	
	605-01	1,762.70	Social Security				
		5,666.14			5,666.14		