

**Town of Barkhamsted
Board of Finance
Special Meeting
Tuesday April 14, 2026 7:00pm
Barkhamsted Senior & Community Center**

Chairman Richard Winn called the meeting to order at 7:00pm Present were:

Christopher Buck	Absent
Matthew Kelly	Present
David Moulton	Present
Salvatore Tartaglione	Present
Scott Thomas	Present
Richard Winn	Present
Juan Jaramillo (alt)	Absent
Mark Hemenway (alt)	Absent

Also Present	
First Selectman Meaghan Cook	Present

Review, discussion and action on comments from budget hearing concerning FY 26/27 budgets, including General Government, Board of Education, Capital, Revenue Sheet and set budget for FY 26/27

Discussion led by Chairman Winn

Motion to forward the budgets, Capital Projects and the Revenue Sheet showing (attached) the Mill Rate for 26/27 set at 24.27 after utilizing \$600,000 of undesignated funds to offset a higher tax increase.

By Dave Moulton Seconded by Salvatore Tartaglione

Vote: Unanimous Yea

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of March 31, 2026 Special Board of Finance meeting

By Matthew Kelly Seconded by Salvatore Tartaglione

Vote: Yea Nea Abstaining

Correspondence

Accepted three pages of information regarding the BOE Superintendent's from First Selectman Cook, showing corrected numbers that were previously provided when the topic of Superintendent's pay was raised at a town meeting and hearing.

Any other business legal and proper to come before said meeting

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. by Salvatore Tartaglione

Seconded by Dave Moulton

/ Unanimous

Respectfully submitted

Date: April 14, 2026

Secretary – BOF (5 pages of attachments)

Revenues	Actual 2024/2025	Budget 2025/2026	Proposed 2026/2027	% Change	Change
Taxes					
Current Year	\$11,874,228	\$11,573,899	\$12,039,731	4.02%	\$465,832
Prior Year	\$195,370	\$85,000	\$105,000	23.53%	\$20,000
Interest/Lien Fees	\$132,028	\$60,000	\$80,000	33.33%	\$20,000
Total Taxes	\$12,201,626	\$11,718,899	\$12,224,731	4.32%	\$505,832
Other Town Revenue					
Town Clerk Fees	\$28,724	\$30,000	\$30,000	0.00%	\$0
Interest on Investments	\$204,604	\$60,000	\$175,000	191.67%	\$115,000
Conveyance Tax	\$65,835	\$30,000	\$30,000	0.00%	\$0
Building Permits/PZC Fees	\$104,283	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00%	\$0
BOS & Miscellaneous Fees	\$42,816	\$25,000	\$25,000	0.00%	\$0
Region #7 SRO Reimbursement	\$74,345	\$74,370	\$74,320	-0.07%	-\$50
Total Other Town Revenue	\$520,607	\$269,370	\$384,320	42.67%	\$114,950
State Revenue					
BES ECS Grant	\$1,494,236	\$1,494,242	\$1,494,242	0.00%	\$0
Special Education	\$0		\$30,000		\$30,000
PILOT State Owned Property	\$20,016	\$20,016	\$20,016	0.00%	\$0
Pequot Grant	\$6,728	\$6,728	\$6,728	0.00%	\$0
Elderly Property Tax Relief (Other Grant)	\$0				\$0
PILOT M & E Revenue Sharing	\$41,462	\$41,462	\$41,462	0.00%	\$0
Misc (SA Ed/Vet Ex/Other Grants)	\$3,479	\$1,466	\$1,466	0.00%	\$0
Total State Revenue	\$1,565,921	\$1,563,914	\$1,593,914	1.92%	\$30,000
Total Other Town & State Revenue	\$2,086,528	\$1,833,284	\$1,978,234	7.91%	\$144,950
Previous Year's Surplus*		\$700,000	\$600,000	-14.29%	-\$100,000
Total All Revenue	\$14,288,154	\$14,252,183	\$14,802,965	3.86%	\$550,782
Expenses					
General Government Budget	\$2,528,546	\$2,620,480	\$2,740,162	4.57%	\$119,682
Board of Education Budget	\$4,698,721	\$4,894,166	\$5,360,036	9.52%	\$465,870
Northwestern Regional #7 Budget	\$6,098,334	\$5,983,177	\$6,116,861	2.23%	\$133,684
MSW & R	\$86,008	\$87,118	\$91,160	4.64%	\$4,042
Debt Service	\$230,041	\$129,456	\$126,306	-2.43%	-\$3,150
Teacher Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	\$0
Total Expenses	\$13,641,650	\$13,714,397	\$14,434,525	5.25%	\$720,128
Transfers					
Recreation Fund	\$12,472	\$12,846	\$0	-100.00%	-\$12,846
Capital Reserve Fund	\$390,200	\$483,700	\$327,200	-32.35%	-\$156,500
Dog Fund	\$15,000	\$21,240	\$21,240	0.00%	\$0
Senior Center	\$13,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	0.00%	\$0
Total Expenses	\$14,072,322	\$14,252,183	\$14,802,965	3.86%	\$550,782
Amount to be raised by taxes					
Grand List		\$11,573,899	\$12,039,731		
Tax Revenue from 1 Mill		\$493,420	\$503,690	2.08%	\$10,269,800
Tax Collection Rate		98.00%	98.50%		
Tax Revenue 1 Mill @ Collection Rate		\$483,552	\$496,135		
Mill Rate		23.94	24.27	1.39%	0.33
Current Surplus					
TAR		\$2,332,869	16.40%		
LOCIP		\$53,369			
		\$260,360			

Signed: _____

Richard Winn, Chair Board of Finance

Town of Barkhamsted
Capital Expenditures 2026-2027

Revaluation	\$10,000
Plan for Conservation and Development	\$10,000
Tax Sale	\$25,000
Truck Replacement, 2011 Ford F550 Dump Truck	\$125,000
Grappling Hook for Excavator	\$15,000
Flooring	\$25,000
Building Management System/Mechanical System	\$95,000
Lighting System Upgrade	\$22,200

Previous Year Projects

Town Hall and School Parking Lots (Return to Capital)	\$23,040
Senior/Community Center HVAC (Additional Funds Needed)	\$5,808

Compensation Comparison Data

Shared at the March 17, 2026 Barkhamsted Board of Finance Meeting

This document reflects salary comparison data shared by Superintendent Sacharko at the March 17th, 2026 Board of Finance meeting. It is intended to provide general context for the structure and compensation of the Superintendent/Curriculum Coordinator role and the Assistant to the Superintendent/Fiscal Manager position using regional comparisons and publicly available data, and to support a clear understanding of how these roles are aligned with similar positions. These comparisons may not reflect all variables or complexities within individual contracts. Salaries have been pro-rated based on FTE for comparison.

Superintendent Compensation Comparison Data			
District *Ss Count	1.0 FTE Salary *adjusted	Additional Comp.	.5 FTE w/Comp. *adjusted
*Barkhamsted	\$197,770 *from .4	\$10,958	\$109,843 *from .4
Barkhamsted *242	\$197,770 *from .5	\$5,000	\$103,885
RSD7 *767	\$207,880	\$16,630	\$120,570 *from 1
New Hartford *437	\$190,275	\$13,250	\$108,387 *from 1
Norfolk *55	\$158,750 *from .4	*could not find	\$79,375 *from .4
Colebrook *59	\$189,370 *from .4	\$2,500	\$97,185 *from .4
Hartland *115	\$198,880 *from .4	\$14,000	\$113,440 *from .4

\$63,500
75,748
25-26
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Curriculum/Admin Compensation Comparison Data			
District/Title	1.0 FTE Salary *adjusted	Add. Comp.	.5 FTE w/Comp. *adjusted
Barkhamsted/Curric. Coord.	\$102,858 *from .5	\$1,184	\$52,613
RSD7/Assistant Principal	\$149,025	\$8,941	\$83,454 *from 1
New Hartford/Curriculum Director	\$144,427	\$3,500	\$75,713 *from 1
RSD10/Dir. of Teach & Learn	\$175,687	*could not find	\$87,843 *from 1

Fiscal Manager Compensation Comparison Data		
District	Title	FTE - Salary *adjusted
Barkhamsted	Assist. to Super. & Business Manager	\$78,736
	Payroll Assistant (8 hrs. per month)	\$11,081
Colebrook	Bookkeeper (.5 FTE @ \$12,787)	\$6,394 *from .5
Norfolk	Assist. to Super & Fiscal Administrator	\$78,489 ✓
	Office Clerk (8 hrs. per month)	\$7,250
Hartland	Business Manager	\$71,504
	Executive Assistant	\$71,875
New Hartford	Assist. to Super	\$58,000
	Manager of Finance/HR	\$69,750
	Bookkeeper (.5 FTE @ \$34,894)	\$58,156 *from .5
RSD7	Director of Finance/Business Manager	\$149,313
	Assist. to Super	\$75,269
	Assist. to Director of Finance	\$72,800
	Benefits/Accounts Payable	*could not find
	Payroll	*could not find
	Bookkeeper	*could not find
RSD10	Director of Finance & Operations	\$195,420
	Assist. to Super	\$80,163
	Assist. to Director of Finance & HR	\$76,065
	Accounts Payable/Bookkeeper	\$75,337
	Payroll & Benefits	\$76,065

\$43,880 25-26

Current

Budget	24-25	25-26
Superintendent's Recommended		
Budget 1/8/2025		

Expense

51000 · GROSS WAGES			
5100 · SUPERINTENDENT	75,748.00		75,748.
5101 · PRINCIPAL			
Total 5101 · PRINCIPAL	800.00		126,000
5111 · CERTIFIED TEACHER	131,117.00		126,000
5112 · SUBSTITUTE	846,356.00		873,525
5113 · HEAD TEACHER	12,500.00		12,500
5114 · EXTRA HOURS	1,560.00		1,560
5116 · SPECIAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR	2,000.00		2,000
5117 · TEAM MENTOR	1,200.00		1,200
5118 · OVERNIGHT STIPEND	325.00		500
5121 · PARAPROFESSIONAL	525.00		525
5122 · NURSE	78,221.00		78,862
5123 · ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	45,817.00		48,313
5125 · BOOKKEEPER	51,200.00		52,533
5126 · CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE	42,787.00		43,850
5127 · CUSTODIAN/PART	32,078.00		32,418
5128 · LIBRARIAN	14,947.00		15,152
Total 51000 · GROSS WAGES	13,026.00		13,026
	1,349,407.00		1,377,712
52000 · EMPLOYEE BENEFITS			
5201 · COMPANY SOC-SEC	22,869.00		23,448
5202 · COMPANY MCARE	19,566.00		19,977
5221 · MEDICAL INSURANCE	179,483.00		151,386
5222 · DENTAL INSURANCE	9,100.00		6,194
5223 · LIFE INSURANCE	3,000.00		3,000

**NORFOLK BOARD OF EDUCATION
TOWN APPROVED 2025-2026 BUDGET**

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Account Number / Description	Adopted Budget 07/01/22-06/30/23	Expended Budget 07/01/22-06/30/23	Adopted Budget 07/01/23-06/30/24	Expended Budget 07/01/23-06/30/24	Adopted Budget 07/01/24-06/30/25	Proposed Budget 07/01/25-06/30/26	Difference from 24/25	% Increase	
3 BOTELLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL									12-May-25
4 Account Number / Description									
5									
81 100-2310-53402-000 CONSULTANT'S SERVICES	6,000	6,000	6,000	5,804	6,000	6,000	0	0	Consultant Services
82 100-2310-53403-000 AREA CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	K-12 Curriculum Council
83 100-2310-56104-000 BD. OF ED. SUPPLIES	500	500	500	500	500	500	0	0	
84 100-2310-58101-000 DUES,FEES/BD. OF ED	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0	Connecticut Association of Boards of Educations
85 100-2310-58102-000 DUES, FEES - BOARD	3,725	3,725	3,725	3,725	3,725	3,725	0	0	Shipman Goodwin Policy Updates, Fingerprinting foes, ALERT Now Emergency calling
TOTAL 2310 Board of Education	31,719	28,719	30,270	29,869	30,315	26,855	-3,460	-11.41%	
87									
88 2320 Superintendent's Office-Executive Admin									
89 100-2320-51111-000 SUPERINTENDENT	63,500	63,500	63,500	63,500	63,500	63,500	0	0	
90 100-2320-51120-000 FISCAL ADMINISTRATOR	71,839	71,839	74,008	74,008	76,241	78,489	2,248		Full time position- salary increase
91 100-2320-51122-000 OFFICE CLERK	12,214	6,982	7,000	5,750	7,000	7,250	250		.50 FTE
92 100-2320-53220-000 WORKSHOPS/CONV - SUPER	200	200	200	0	200	200	0		Professional development needs due to state mandates
93 100-2320-54304-000 SERV CONTRACTS - SUPER	4,900	4,900	5,500	5,500	5,500	6,000	500		Accounting package support
94 100-2320-55301-000 POSTAGE - SUPER	800	800	800	800	600	600	0		Estimated usage for superintendent's office
95 100-2320-55303-000 TELEPHONE SERV - SUPER	1,308	1,308	1,450	1,450	1,450	1,450	0		Annual charges - 3 lines.
96 100-2320-55810-000 MILEAGE - SUPER	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	-6,000		Cover out of district meetings, workshops, and conferences.
97 100-2320-56101-000 OFFICE SUPPLIES - SUPER	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0		Based on past usage
98 100-2320-56107-000 COMP SUPPLIES - SUPER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
99 100-2320-57302-000 REPLACE-NON-INSTRUC - SUPER'S	0	0	0	0	5,000	0	-5,000		Replaced in 2024-2025
100 100-2320-58102-000 DUES, FEES - SUPT. OFFICE	3,529	3,529	3,529	3,529	3,529	3,529	0		ASCD, CAPSS, LCSA, CASPA, CAEOP, CASBO, Student of Year, Teacher of the Year award