

Town of Winchester

Board of Selectmen - Special Meeting (Budget Workshop)

Monday April 20, 2026 - 6PM

Winchester Town Hall - Hicks Room

Noticed in Town Clerks Office and on Towns Website

Item 1 **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Todd Arcelaschi at 6:00pm

Attending Members Todd Arcelaschi (Mayor) William Pozzo (Selectman)
 Paul Marino (Selectman) Kevin Bishop (Selectman)
 William Hester (Selectman) Cheryl Heffernan McGlynn (Selectwoman)
 Troy Lamere (Selectman)

Staff Members Paul Harrington (Town Manager)
 Glenn Albanesius (Town Clerk)
 Ann Marie Rheault (Finance Director)
 Tom Heuschkel (Budget Analyst)

Item 2 **Pledge of Allegiance** The Pledge was recited by all

Item 3 **Citizens Comments**

The following people addressed the Board

* Barbara Silverio	* Tyler Asbury	* Todd Brodeur	* Matt Smith
* Blaine O'Meara	* Jennifer Mitchell	* Jeannette Brodeur	* Candy Perez
* Tim Strahan	* Marsha Sterling	* Mary Pollack	(Read for Mary Ann Marino)
* Karoline Johnson	* John Pollack	* Kym Higgins	

Item 4 **Consider and Possibly Act on Town Managers Proposed FY2027 Budget**

No discussion or Action taken

Item 5 **Adjournment**

To adjourn the meeting at 6:57pm

Motion - Sel. Hester / Second - Sel. Heffernan McGlynn

Vote to approve - Unanimous (7-0)

ATTEST:

Glenn Albanesius, Town Clerk

These Minutes are subject to formal approval at the next scheduled meeting. Any amendments, corrections or revisions will be noted in the next Meeting Minutes.

Town of Winchester
 FY 2027 Budget Amendments Approved by the Board of Selectmen After March 13, 2026

Number	Department Name	Department Number	Account Description	Account Number	TM Proposed Budget	BOS Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Explanation and/or Implication
Formula								
F1	N/A - Formula	N/A	Grand List - BAA Adjustment	N/A	(1,000,000)	(862,203)	137,797	Increased total grand list value which reduced the mill rate by .01 to reflect final BAA adjustments.
Formula Total							137,797	
Revenues								
R1	Revenues	999					-	
Revenues Total								
Expenditures								
E1	Purchasing	145	Administrative Salaries	1-145-190-0000-0000	44,563	51,778	7,215	Adjustment for appropriate step level and new CBA.
E2	Recreation	812	General Labor	1-812-194-0000-0000	242,058	237,533	(4,525)	Adjustment for accounting for non-union, at-will wage adjustments already in unnegotiated settlements.
E3	Senior Services	813	Labor, Skilled, and Professional	1-813-192-0000-0000	32,460	31,668	(792)	Adjustment for accounting for non-union, at-will wage adjustments already in unnegotiated settlements.
E4	Senior Services	813	Secretarial/Support Staff	1-813-193-0000-0000	30,344	29,647	(697)	Adjustment for accounting for non-union, at-will wage adjustments already in unnegotiated settlements.
E5	Employee Benefits	918	Health Insurance	1-918-900-0002-0000	1,122,000	1,145,000	23,000	Adjustment to reflect a change in level of coverage since March 13 budget submission.
E6	Employee Benefits	918	Retiree Health Insurance	1-918-900-0003-0000	60,000	76,200	16,200	Adjustment to account for state plan actuals.
E7	Ambulance	215	Transfer to Outside Agency	1-215-805-0000-0000	420,000	235,000	(185,000)	WAAA has submitted an updated three-year proposal for services, including a WAAA Chief.
E8	Ambulance	215	Pension Contribution	1-215-900-0005-0000	5,000	-	(5,000)	WAAA has submitted an updated three-year proposal for services, including a WAAA Chief.
E9	Ambulance	215	Administrative Salaries	1-215-190-0000-0000	-	85,000	85,000	WAAA has submitted an updated three-year proposal for services, including a WAAA Chief.
E10	Employee Benefits	918	FICA	1-918-900-0001-0000	492,000	498,503	6,503	WAAA has submitted an updated three-year proposal for services, including a WAAA Chief.
E11	Employee Benefits	918	Health Insurance	1-918-900-0002-0000	1,145,000	1,172,820	27,820	WAAA has submitted an updated three-year proposal for services, including a WAAA Chief.
E12	Police	210	Administrative Salaries	1-210-190-0000-0000	245,161	125,000	(120,161)	Elimination of the proposed Deputy Chief position and associated benefits.
E13	Employee Benefits	918	Retirement - Police CMERS Plan	1-918-230-0001-0000	655,000	625,032	(29,968)	Elimination of the proposed Deputy Chief position and associated benefits.
E14	Employee Benefits	918	FICA	1-918-900-0001-0000	498,503	489,310	(9,192)	Elimination of the proposed Deputy Chief position and associated benefits.
E15	Employee Benefits	918	Health Insurance	1-918-900-0002-0000	1,172,820	1,139,018	(33,802)	Elimination of the proposed Deputy Chief position and associated benefits.
Expenditures Total							(223,400)	
Capital Improvement Plan								
C1	Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)	N/A	Accreditation Consultant	N/A	-	55,000	55,000	Outside work needed with elimination of the proposed Deputy Chief position. Project originally submitted as "Policy and Practices Development Consultant" by the Chief of Police.
C2			Old New Hartford Road Reclaim and Pave	N/A	-	400,000	400,000	Restore this standalone roadway surface improvement project as requested by the Director of Public Works.
C3			Intersection Aprons	N/A	-	41,000	41,000	Restore this standalone roadway surface improvement project as requested by the Director of Public Works.
C4			Winchester Avenue Peel and Pave	N/A	-	105,000	105,000	Restore this standalone roadway surface improvement project as requested by the Director of Public Works.
C5			Ledge Drive Peel and Pave	N/A	-	81,000	81,000	Restore this standalone roadway surface improvement project as requested by the Director of Public Works.
C6			Gaylords Road Reclaim and Pave	N/A	-	96,000	96,000	Restore this standalone roadway surface improvement project as requested by the Director of Public Works.
C7			Orchard Street Mill and Pave	N/A	-	68,000	68,000	Restore this standalone roadway surface improvement project as requested by the Director of Public Works.
C8			Cornelio Avenue Mill and Pave	N/A	-	30,000	30,000	Restore this standalone roadway surface improvement project as requested by the Director of Public Works.
Capital Improvement Plan Total							876,000	