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**THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

4:00 PM

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PROCEDURE: The Board of Selectmen will hear budget requests in accordance with the below agenda for the Budget meeting, which begins at 4:00pm:

The Board of Selectmen to consider and act on the following proposed budgets and at the appropriate time forward to the Board of Finance for its consideration of and action on the FY27 Budgets:

A. Call to Order & Roll Call: 4:07 PM

In Attendance: First Selectman Robert Brule and Selectmen Rich Muckle and Greg Attanasio

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Public Comment: Glenn Patterson, looking for clarification prior to E3 ratification on February 10, 2026 Agenda.

D. Consider and act on the following budget requests:

Standing Motion: was made by Selectman Rich Muckle and seconded by Selectman Greg Attanasio to tentatively approve the budget requests for FY27.

- 1. Insurance** - To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Insurance budget request in the amount of \$5,947,106.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to tentatively approve a total budget request in the amount of \$5,947,106. VOTE 3-0

- 2. Retirement Commission** - To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Retirement Commission budget request in the amount of \$8,301,874.
MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to reduce the amount proposed for line item 51940 by \$6,351 changing this portion of the budget request to the amount of \$5,301,312. VOTE 3-0

MOTION by Brule, seconded by Muckle to reduce the amount proposed for line item 51940, pension contributions, in the amount of \$250,000 and line item 51949, OPEB, in the amount of \$750,000 for a total of a \$1,000,000 reduction with a new total of \$7,295,523.

VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule

Against: Attanasio

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to tentatively approve a total budget request in the amount of \$7,295,523.

VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule

Against: Attanasio

3. **Debt Service** – To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Debt Service budget request in the amount of \$7,922,996.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to tentatively approve a total budget request in the amount of \$7,922,996. VOTE 3-0

4. **Current Year Capital (CIP)** - To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Current Year Capital budget request in the amount of \$3,699,490.

MOTION by Attanasio, seconded by Muckle for discussion to reduce the amount proposed for the amphitheater by \$30,000 for Recreation and Parks.

VOTE 1-2 MOTION FAILED

For: Attanasio

Against: Muckle, Brule

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to tentatively approve a total budget request in the amount of \$3,699,490.

VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule

Against: Attanasio

5. **Transfer to Capital Non-Recurring (CNR)** - To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Transfer to Capital Non-Recurring budget request in the amount of \$816,971.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to tentatively approve a total budget request in the amount of \$816,971.

VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule
Against: Attanasio

FINAL ACTION:

PROCEDURE: The Board of Selectmen to finalize FY27 Budgets listed on the attached schedule entitled "Board of Selectmen, FY27 Budget" – To Be finalized on 2/10/26 and forwarded to the Board of Finance for their consideration and action on the FY27 Budgets.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to not read each departmental summary. VOTE 3-0

6. **Total General Government Operations** – To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Total General Government Operations budget request in the amount of \$42,159,310.

MOTION by Attanasio, seconded by Muckle to amend the total proposed General Government Operations budget request in the amount of \$41,898,427. VOTE 3-0

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to approve a total budget request in the amount of \$41,898,427.
VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule
Against: Attanasio

7. **Total Capital and Debt Service** – To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Total Capital and Debt Service budget request in the amount of \$12,409,457.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to approve a total budget request in the amount of \$12,409,457.
VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule
Against: Attanasio

8. **Total Town (Operating, Capital, Debt) Budget** – To consider and act on the proposed FY27 Total Town (Operating, Capital, Debt) Budget request in the amount of \$54,568,767.

MOTION by Attanasio, seconded by Muckle to amend the total proposed General Government Operations budget request in the amount of \$54,307,884. VOTE 3-0

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to approve a total budget request in the amount of \$54,307,884.

VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule

Against: Attanasio

E. Capital Improvement Plan FY27

1. To approve that The Board of Selectmen shall be the requesting agency through which projects submitted under Transfers to Capital Non-recurring Expenditure Fund, shall begin the appropriations process. The Board of Selectmen hereby authorizes the First Selectman to act on their behalf by forwarding his recommendations to the Board of Finance and RTM.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio

VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule

Against: Attanasio

2. To approve that The First Selectmen on behalf of the Board of Selectmen shall request the Board of Finance and RTM not to act on any appropriations from any funds designated in the Transfers to Capital Non-recurring expenditure Fund (CNR) unless it has been reviewed by the First Selectman for consistency with the Capital Improvement Plan as ratified.

MOTION by Attanasio, seconded by Muckle to amend the above paragraph to read "To authorize a request from the Board of Selectmen to the Board of Finance and RTM that, when considering any appropriation from any funds designated in the transfers to the Capital Non-recurring expenditure Fund (CNR), the Board of Finance and RTM will consider and be informed by the First Selectman's charter responsibilities (per section 3.2.3) for implementation of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The Board of Selectman further requests the First Selectman be afforded an opportunity to review and comment on any such appropriation by the Board of Finance and RTM for its consistency with the CIP." VOTE 3-0

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio to accept the amended paragraph
VOTE 3-0

3. **Ratification of the FY27 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan:** To consider and act to ratify the First Selectman's Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan, in accordance with Section 3.2.3 (c) of the Town Charter for the fiscal years 2027-2031.

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Attanasio for ratification of the FY27 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

VOTE 2-1

For: Muckle, Brule

Against: Attanasio

F. Adjourn: 6:04 PM