

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
RECOMMENDED
ANNUAL BUDGET
2025-2026**



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Dear Residents of the Town of North Branford,

In accordance with the requirements of Section C-8 of the Town Charter and on behalf of the Town Council, I am hereby publishing the Recommended Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025.

As residents are aware, the Town of North Branford underwent a revaluation of all real property this year for the October 2024 Grand List. Our median property value increase was 50% for residential property and 36% overall- a staggering jump, but comparable to all other Connecticut communities that underwent a revaluation this year, or in recent years. With a Grand List net growth of \$480 million, there is a 3% shift of the overall tax burden from commercial toward residential taxpayers, and the value of one mill has grown from \$1.381 million to \$1.844 million, adding an additional challenging element to formulating this budget.

Reimbursements from the state for Motor Vehicle Taxes are up this year by \$247,858.

State revenues to the Town for Education Cost Share and Special Education are down by \$262,441 according to Governor Lamont's proposed budget. We hope we will fare better in the final budget passed by the legislature as it heads toward their adjournment in June, particularly as we continue to be in a time of state budget surpluses.

We are also seeing \$547,084 in new debt service this year associated with the new High School project and the new Police Station project.

Recognizing these challenges, the Town Council made some difficult decisions as they deliberated the proposed budget, balancing the needs of our community, and the ability of our hardworking taxpayers to support the services we provide.

The recommended budget from the Town Council is \$65,044,838 with a 5.1% increase over the prior fiscal year. The mill rate for the town has decreased 8.9 mills accordingly from 35.93 last fiscal year, to 27.84 under the Council's recommended budget. The Council cut over \$2.1 million from the Town Manager / Board of Education budget over the \$5.1 million in cuts I made to department proposals.

The budget gives a \$200,000 increase to the Board of Education and arranges for the purchase of a new Engine 1 for the Fire Department without yet committing funds. The Council also cut operating hours of the Edward Smith and Atwater Libraries removing all winter Sunday hours and eliminated a current part-time position in the Building Department.

This budget reflects the ongoing collaborative commitment of the Town Council, the Board of Education and this administration, and our dedication to deliver the needed resources and services our residents deserve and expect. It has been a pleasure to work with all parties through this budget process in the interest of serving our Town to arrive at this recommended budget to the citizens of North Branford.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. P. Downes", written in a cursive style.

Michael P. Downes
Town Manager



USER'S GUIDE TO THE ANNUAL BUDGET

UNDERSTANDING THE BUDGET:

Understanding a municipal budget can often be a confusing exercise for the typical resident of any community. This guide attempts to provide background material that will help the average citizen to understand and use this document as well as gain a better understanding of what went into the budget in advance of voting in the May Budget Referendum and as part of its final adoption.

North Branford's budget process should be viewed as a priority-setting one where scarce resources are allocated. Therefore, our budget process becomes one of defining and prioritizing needs, evaluating alternatives, and funding the choices that meet our needs as a community. It is our hope that the adopted budget does indeed, reflect the priorities of the community for the coming year and beyond.

AN OVERVIEW OF NORTH BRANFORD BUDGET PROCESS:

Making Policy Through the Budget

The annual budget is a dynamic document serving many functions. The budget is the single most important policy document in local government. It sets spending and service priorities for the coming fiscal year. It is also a historical document, reflecting the level of services the Town has provided in the past. Finally, the budget is law, setting the legal guidelines for spending.

Before a budget can be adopted, the document must be understood, reviewed, questioned and, if necessary, changed. The first step in understanding the budget is a careful reading of the Town Manager's Budget Message. This part of the budget describes in narrative form significant items in the budget, financial trends, and the policy implications of the Recommended budget.

The budget contains figures on past, present, and future revenues and expenditures. This information is tied together because, for any given year, revenues and expenditures have to be balanced. Revenue information includes local revenues sources, such as taxes, fees, and charges. It will also include non-local revenue sources such as state grants. Expenditure information can be thought of in two categories:

1. **Operating expenditures** which include items such as personnel salaries, contractual services, materials, and supplies.
2. **Capital expenditures** include equipment and buildings. If a capital expenditure is paid for in one year, it appears in the annual budget as capital outlay. If money is being saved to pay for equipment or buildings in future years, it will show up

as a transfer to a Capital Non-recurring fund. If money is borrowed to pay for future purchases (i.e., bonds), repayment of principal and interest will show up in the Debt Service-Principal and Debt Service-Interest. In addition to appearing as a line-item in the budget, capital expenditures are pulled together in a separate capital budget, which appears as an appendix to this document.

Developing the Budget Document

Not later than the end of January, each department, office, board, commission, and agency of the Town, submits their estimates of revenues and expenditures to the Town Manager. Each such unit is entitled to a hearing by the Town Manager. The Board of Education furnishes the Town Manager with a budget for the operation of the schools containing a detailed estimate of expenditures. No later than April 1, the Town Manager presents a budget to the Town Council consisting of (a) a budget message outlining the financial policy of the Town, (b) estimates for revenues for the General Fund, (c) estimates of expenditures for each department and activity of the General Fund, and (d) a program concerning municipal capital improvement for the ensuing fiscal year and for the next four fiscal years. This last segment contains cost estimates and the methods of financing. The Chair of the Board of Education does the same for the Board of Education budget.

The budget process is meant to be adaptive. To amend the budget, the Town Manager must inform the Town Council of the need to transfer appropriations. For this reason, estimated expenditures may differ from the amount allocated in the budget process.

Legal Requirements

Article VIII of the North Branford Town Charter identifies the legal duties and responsibilities of those in the budget-making process.

DUTIES OF THE MANAGER ON THE BUDGET:

- A. Not later than April 1 the Manager shall present to the Council a budget consisting of:
- (1) A budget message outlining the financial policy of the Town government and describing in connection therewith the important features of the budget plan;
 - (2) Estimates of revenue, presenting in parallel columns the itemized receipts collected in the last completed fiscal year, the receipts collected during the current fiscal year prior to the time of preparing the estimates, total receipts estimated to be collected during the current fiscal year and estimates of the receipts, other than the property tax, to be collected in the ensuing fiscal year;
 - (3) Itemized estimates of expenditures, presenting in parallel columns the actual expenditures for each department, office, agency or activity for the last completed fiscal year, the budgeted amount for the current fiscal year, actual amount of expenditures for the entire budgeted preparation, total expenditures for the current fiscal year, the requests of each departments, offices and agencies for the ensuing fiscal year and the Manager's recommendations of the amount to be appropriated for the ensuing fiscal year on all items, and such other information as may be required by the Council.

- B. The Manager shall present reasons for his or her recommendations. The Chairperson of the Board of Education shall have the same duties and follow the same form and procedure with respect to the budget of the Board of Education as provided in this Chapter for departmental estimates. [Article VIII, Section 2]

DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL ON THE BUDGET:

The Council shall hold one (1) or more public hearings not later than April 15, at which any elector or taxpayer may have an opportunity to be heard regarding appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year. Following the receipt of the estimates from the Manager and Chairman of the Board of Education and the holding of such public hearings, the Council shall prepare a budget and shall recommend the same for a referendum vote pursuant to Article VIII, section 5. Following the public hearing or hearings, the Council shall make such revisions in the proposed budget as it deems desirable. Sufficient copies of said annual budget shall be made available for general distribution in the office of the Town Clerk and the Manager, and at least ten (10) days prior to the referendum pursuant to Article VIII, section 5, the Council shall cause to be published in a newspaper having a circulation in the Town a summary of the budget showing revenues by major sources and proposed expenditures by function or department in the same columnar form as prescribed for budget estimates in Article VIII, section 3, and shall also show the amount to be raised by taxation. Appropriations for construction or for other permanent improvements, from whatever source derived, shall not lapse until the purpose for which the appropriation was made shall have been accomplished or abandoned, provided that any project shall be deemed to have been abandoned if three (3) fiscal years shall elapse without any expenditure from or encumbrance of the appropriation therefore.

BUDGET REFERENDUM PROCESS:

- A. The electors shall have the right to an advisory referendum to be held on the second Tuesday of May from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at such place or places as the Council may determine. Notice of such referendum shall be given at least fifteen (15) days in advance by publication in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the Town.
- B. At the referendum, the electors shall vote for any one of the following choices:
1. I accept the budget;
 2. reject the budget because it is too High; or
 3. I reject the budget because it is too Low.
- C. The referendum shall not be effective as a recommendation to the Council unless at least fifteen percent (15%) of the qualified electors have voted. If the qualified electors accept the budget or fewer than fifteen percent (15%) vote, the budget shall be deemed adopted and becomes effective when an official copy has been filed with the Town Clerk. If at least fifteen percent

(15%) of the electors vote and the total votes to reject exceed the total votes to accept the budget shall be deemed rejected, and the Council, taking into consideration the composition of the vote to reject, shall adopt a new budget by June 1st. The budget shall become effective when finally approved by the Council and an official copy has been filed with the Town Clerk.

- D. The final adopted budget shall not be subject to referendum. At the time when the Council adopts the budget, The Council shall fix the tax rate in mills for the forthcoming fiscal year.

PUBLIC POLICY THAT SHAPES THE BUDGET:

Presented here is a brief outline of other policies and generally accepted practices that also impact the budget. Every community has informal organizational policies that affect how the budget is put together. Within this section an effort has been made to capture these policies and explain them.

Typically, before the budget cycle begins, each year the Town Council charges the administration of North Branford to minimize the growth in expenditures. The Council will then work with the Town Manager to look at every service provided by the Town and reduce those items to the lowest cost without adversely affecting the individual taxpayer. In addition to this charge from the Town Council, outlined below are some significant public policies, generally accepted principles and conventions that impact North Branford's budget process:

Budget Control:

Budget control is established at the department, office, commission, board, agency, or activity level. Transfer of unencumbered appropriations between these units (except the Board of Education) may be done by the Council in the last three months of the fiscal year provided that the total level of appropriations remains the same.

Rules Regarding Appropriations:

Unencumbered appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year except for capital project appropriations. Capital outlay appropriations lapse when the budgeted item is acquired, or construction completed or if no expenditures or encumbrance has been made for three consecutive fiscal years.

Debt Services:

The Town has the power to incur indebtedness by issuing bonds or notes as provided by the Connecticut General Statutes. The Town of North Branford has issued only general obligation bonds, supported by the full faith and credit of the Town and paid from the General Fund.

Fund Balance:

It is beneficial for the Town of North Branford to maintain a fund balance at a level of five to ten percent of the following year's budgeted expenditures. Bond rating agencies look favorably on fund balances maintained at these levels. A "healthy" fund balance is used as an indicator of the Town's ability to respond to unplanned emergencies.

Adjusted Tax Levy:

Property taxes are recorded as of October 1. They are then levied and due the following July 1. Assessments for real (land and buildings) and personal property, including motor vehicles, are computed at 70% of the fair market value, as determined by the Town of North Branford Assessor in accordance with State Statute. The Adjusted Tax Levy represents the amount budgeted for. Real Property assessments are based on the revaluation of land and buildings.

GENERAL DEFINITION OF TERMS USED:

Appropriation - A legal authorization granted by a legislative body (i.e., the Town Council) to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes. For the General Fund these appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year. For non-budgetary or special purpose funds, they do not lapse but continue in force until fully expended or their purpose has been accomplished or abandoned or no expenditures from or encumbrance of the appropriation has been made for three consecutive fiscal years. This group of funds includes the Capital Projects Fund.

Assessed Valuation - Seventy percent (70%) of the fair market value of both real (land and buildings) and personal property, as determined by the Town of North Branford Assessor in accordance with State Statute.

Budget - A financial operating plan for a given period embodying estimated expenditures for providing services and the proposed means of financing them. A balanced budget limits expenditures to available resources. Defined below are several specific budget types included in this document:

Capital Budget - The capital budget is the first year of the five-year Capital Improvement Plan and is funded as part of the annual appropriation.

School Operating Budget - This budget includes funds that are spent by the Board of Education for the Town of North Branford School system. The categories of expenditures are defined by the State of Connecticut Department of Education and are uniform for all school systems within the State.

Town Operating Budget - This term relates to the funds which are provided for the Town Government services.

Capital Improvement Plan - The Capital Improvement Plan is a comprehensive list of capital projects which are Recommended for the Town by both the Town Council and the Board of Education for the next five years.

Encumbrance - Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditures of monies are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation.

Grand List - The Grand List is the compilation, by value, of all taxable exempt property within the municipality.

Mill Rate - The Mill Rate is the tax rate expressed as a monetary unit. One mill equals one dollar of tax per thousand dollars of assessed value of property. Taxes levied are equal to the mill rate times the assessed value of property.

Object (of Expenditure) - As used in expenditure classification, this term applies to the types of item purchased or the service obtained. Examples include salaries, supplies, et cetera.

SHORT AND LONG TERM FINANACIAL GOALS:

In developing the budget document and ensuring a sound financial state, the Town of North Branford has several goals, which help shape estimating revenues, expenditure requests and fulfilling our debt requirements.

Revenues

In the long-term:

1. Provide a favorable tax rate that is moderate in nature and equitably determined;
2. Charge equitable and adequate user fees to fund certain essential and desirable programs or service;
3. Take steps to ensure that budgetary revenues are reasonable and accurate, based upon the best available information;
4. Retain an adequate Unreserved, Unassigned Fund Balance to meet the unexpected needs of the Town.

In the short-term:

1. Ensure that revenues are sufficient to support the FY 2026 budget. The primary revenue source remains the property tax.

Expenditures

In the long-term:

1. Budget funds for facility maintenance and, where appropriate, replacement to maintain the Town's physical assets at a level adequate to protect the Town's capital investment and to minimize future maintenance and replacement costs;
2. Thoroughly explore alternative service delivery mechanisms, such as regional delivery of services, the use of private contractors, or volunteer providers;
3. To apply sound cost analysis, deliver services at the lowest possible cost, and contain cost.

In the short-term:

1. To keep the number of Town employees stable and evaluate services and demands before adding personnel. The ability of the Town to keep staffing levels at a minimum, despite an increased workload and demand for services, has been due to improved equipment, regional cooperation, and other efficiencies.

Debt Management

In the long-term:

1. Manage the Town's existing debt at a reasonable level to effectively allow for future debt as required;
2. Give consideration to the Town's financial condition and the rate of growth in the tax base when adding debt;
3. Continue to take steps to ensure that long-term debt will not exceed the Town's resources for repaying the debt.
4. Continue to look for opportunities to restructure debt for long-term savings.

REVENUE BUDGET

Property Taxes:

Taxes based on value (*ad valorem* taxes) account for most municipal revenues and are the most important component of the Town's revenue resources. This type of tax may be levied against real property, personal property and motor vehicles. The total of these value-based taxes is expressed in the Grand List. The Proposed levy of 29.12 mills is based on the Grand List of all taxable property located in North Branford as of October 1, 2024. The impact of the State-mandated revaluation process is discussed in the Town Manager's budget message contained herein.

All required funding that cannot be generated from state grants-in-aid, licenses, fees, etc. must be derived from the property tax levy. Property taxes are raised from the Net Taxable Grand List, which, in October 2024 was \$ 1,870,829,030 an increase of 33.5% from the previous year.

Reason for Change in Revenue:

There are two major reasons for the increase in property tax revenue. First, is the growth in the Grand List caused by the revaluation. Potential reductions in other types of revenue may require North Branford's taxpayers to bear a greater share of budgeted services.

Underlying Assumptions in Estimating Property Tax Revenue:

In estimating property tax revenue, it is assumed that the Town will collect 98.6% of the current year real estate, personal property and motor vehicle tax levy.

Significant Trends:

Over the past several years, there has been a “tax shift” from the State to municipalities. As State grants-in-aid to municipalities have been steadily reduced, municipalities have come to rely more on the property tax to provide services. As the result of the revaluation process and the recent economic climate, a shift in average relative tax burden has occurred from residential to commercial properties.

Grants-in-Aid:

In Connecticut, local governments have grown to depend on intergovernmental sources of revenue to supplement the property tax, licenses and user fees. Included in this revenue category are state or federal grants-in-aid. Highlighted below are the State of Connecticut statutory formula grants paid to the Town of North Branford.

Non-Tax Revenue from Grants-in-Aid

The ability of the State of Connecticut to balance its budget, coupled with a sluggish State economy, will continue to affect state aid to municipalities. The proposed budget of Governor Lamont will be closely monitored as it moves through the Legislature and changes are proposed.

Reason for Change in Revenue:

The amount of revenue North Branford estimates for grants-in-aid are based on the Governor’s proposed budget for the State of Connecticut in 2025-26.

Underlying Assumption in Estimating Grants-in-Aid Revenue:

When estimating state aid, the Governor’s budget serves as the Town’s guide. The Legislature and Governor do not have an adopted budget in place when the Town develops its estimates. The figures here are the best available information.

Significant Trends:

State aid to municipalities has been steadily decreasing. With less State aid, municipalities are forced to either cut services or increase their reliance on the property tax.

Fund Balance:

It is beneficial for the Town of North Branford to maintain a fund balance at a level of at least five to ten percent of the following year’s budgeted expenditures. Bond rating agencies look favorably on fund balance size as an indicator of the town’s ability to respond to unplanned emergencies. North Branford has been able to maintain an Aa2 rating from Moody’s Investors Service on its general obligation bond issues, due in part to maintaining an adequate fund balance. Standard & Poor’s Rating agency was used for the most recent bond issue and they assigned the Town an AA+ rating.

Underlying Assumptions in the Use of Fund Balance:

It is a conscious decision of the Town Council to use the fund balance to reduce the impact of any tax increase and to offset future liabilities such as the contributions required for post employment benefits (OPEB). The Council also attempts to maintain the unassigned fund balance at a 10% level, and total fund balance at 15%.

Significant Trends:

Over the past several years, the fund balance has been continually used to cushion the impact of any tax increase and to fund OPEB contributions. As property taxes have grown to represent a larger portion of the total revenue pie, the fund balance is regularly used, in varying amounts, to help reduce the burden of increasing property taxes.

Other Local Revenues:

This classification of estimated revenues includes the remaining general fund revenues. Specifically, these include revenues from licenses and permits, charges for services, fines and forfeits, investment interest and other financing sources.

Underlying Assumptions in Other Local Revenue

The revenue assumptions underlying the amounts estimated in the budget for fiscal year 2025-26 are based on prior year's actual data; current observed and actual data; local regional economic statistical data and financial trend information.

EXPENDITURE BUDGET

1. General Government:

The General Government Budget is composed of two (2) major expenditure objects: Personnel Services and Operating Expenses. A more detailed analysis of these follows:

a. PERSONNEL SERVICES

Expenditures under the category of Personnel Services include salaries and employees' benefits. As a service organization, the Town delivers services that require personnel to deliver its "product" to the taxpayer. There is one new Police Officer in the 2025-26 budget.

b. OPERATING EXPENSES

Included among Operating Expenses are utilities and fuel (which fortunately have decreased from last year's budget), equipment and building maintenance, property and casualty insurance, and solid waste disposal. Slight increases are also

projected for property and casualty insurance as well as Workers' Compensation. In addition, funding for previous assessments for workers' compensation claims is included in the budget projection.

2. Debt Service:

North Branford issues only general obligation bonds to finance its debt. The Town has budgeted \$6,321,474 for bonded indebtedness in fiscal year 2025-26. This figure includes all principal and interest payments. The amount spent for debt service in the previous fiscal year was \$5,774,390. The debt service expenses are expected to increase in the coming years given the adopted Capital Improvement Plan. There are large projects which have been approved, including a new high school, a new police station and a new town-wide emergency communication system. The current interest rate climate is favorable for bonding.

3. Board of Education:

The Board of Education submitted its operating budget request of \$35,990,704 to the Town Manager's Office in accordance with the Town Charter. This was subsequently reduced by the Town Council. In addition to the operating budget, capital budget requests were submitted to address infrastructure needs within the system.



2023-24 BUDGET	2024-25 BUDGET	TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD GENERAL FUND BUDGET SUMMARY		2025-2026			RECOMMENDED \$ Change from 2024-25 Adopted	RECOMMENDED % Change from 2024-25 Adopted
				DEPARTMENT REQUEST	MANAGER PROPOSED	TOWN COUNCIL RECOMMENDED		
		BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS						
\$20,712,633	\$21,422,115	TOWN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS		\$23,367,460	\$22,963,827	\$22,643,578	\$1,221,463	5.70%
\$33,400,714	\$33,901,724	BOARD OF EDUCATION		\$35,990,704	\$35,990,704	\$34,101,724	\$200,000	0.59%
\$147,304	\$31,500	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$31,500)	-100.00%
\$75,000	\$294,000	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - Transferred Out		\$6,651,190	\$779,062	\$579,062	\$285,062	96.96%
\$4,886,851	\$5,774,390	DEBT SERVICE		\$6,321,474	\$6,321,474	\$6,321,474	\$547,084	9.47%
\$59,222,502	\$61,423,729	SUB-TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		\$72,330,828	\$66,055,067	\$63,645,838	\$2,222,109	3.62%
\$652,000	\$415,000	FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL		\$0	\$1,098,000	\$1,399,000	\$984,000	237.11%
\$59,874,502	\$61,838,729	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		\$72,330,828	\$67,153,067	\$65,044,838	\$3,206,109	5.18%
		NON-TAX REVENUE						
\$4,250,272	\$4,432,548	ESTIMATED GENERAL FUND REVENUES		\$4,651,546	\$4,651,546	\$4,600,830	\$168,282	3.80%
\$7,112,086	\$7,331,325	STATE GRANTS FOR EDUCATION		\$7,077,214	\$7,077,214	\$7,077,214	(\$254,111)	-3.47%
\$11,362,358	\$11,763,873	TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUE		\$11,728,760	\$11,728,760	\$11,678,044	(\$85,829)	-0.73%
\$725,000	\$725,000	GENERAL FUND SURPLUS APPLIED		\$725,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$25,000	3.45%
\$652,000	\$415,000	FUND BALANCE APPLIED - CAPITAL		\$0	\$1,098,000	\$1,399,000	\$984,000	237.11%
(\$100,000)	(\$125,000)	LOCAL ELDERLY TAX CREDIT		(\$140,000)	(\$140,000)	(\$140,000)	(\$15,000)	12.00%
\$47,235,144	\$49,059,856	AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES		\$60,017,068	\$53,716,307	\$51,357,794	\$2,297,938	4.68%
\$59,874,502	\$61,838,729	TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE		\$72,330,828	\$67,153,067	\$65,044,838	\$3,206,109	5.18%
\$184,142,536	\$174,736,102	MOTOR VEHICLE GRAND LIST		\$1,925,929,768	\$1,921,782,139	\$1,921,782,139		
\$5,397,814	\$4,955,853	LESS: EXEMPTIONS BY STATE LAW		\$50,953,109	\$50,953,109	\$50,953,109		
\$178,744,722	\$169,780,249	NET MOTOR VEHICLE GRAND LIST		\$1,874,976,649	\$1,870,829,030	\$1,870,829,030		
\$173,382,380	\$164,686,842	ADJUSTED MOTOR VEHICLE FOR 97.0% COLLECTION		\$1,846,851,999	\$1,844,637,424	\$1,844,637,424		
\$5,627,992	\$5,345,735	TAX GENERATED FROM MOTOR VEHICLES (32.46 MILLS)						
\$1,246,134,612	\$1,262,897,506	PERSONAL PROPERTY & REAL ESTATE GRAND LIST						
\$28,499,728	\$33,801,079	LESS: EXEMPTIONS BY STATE LAW						
\$1,217,634,884	\$1,229,096,427	NET PERSONAL PROPERTY & REAL ESTATE GRAND LIST						
\$1,205,458,535	\$1,216,805,463	ADJUSTED NET PP & RE GL @99% COLLECTION						
\$41,607,152	\$43,714,121	VALUE OF ONE MILL=		\$1,844,637				Amount of Increase in Mills
34.52	35.93	PROPOSED MILL RATE		32.50	29.12	27.84		-8.09

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Annual Budget



**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
BUDGET SUMMARY
FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026**

2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	2024-25				DEPT REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
		BUDGET	@ 1/31/25	PROJECTED					
					<u>REVENUES ANTICIPATED</u>				
\$46,931,029	\$49,475,466	\$51,413,465	\$47,290,771	\$49,862,490	PROPERTY TAXES & PILOT (NET)	\$62,285,995	\$55,985,234	\$53,576,005	
\$435,392	\$482,185	\$319,240	\$304,706	\$352,100	CONVEYANCE/DELINQUENT CHARGES	\$417,900	\$417,900	\$417,900	
\$277,558	\$968,798	\$275,000	\$176,376	\$300,000	INVESTMENT PROGRAM INCOME	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	
\$301,444	\$374,442	\$313,410	\$220,656	\$319,640	LICENSES & PERMITS	\$297,713	\$297,713	\$297,713	
\$98,189	\$107,826	\$107,805	\$60,512	\$97,187	CURRENT SERVICES	\$91,760	\$91,760	\$91,760	
\$21,421	\$20,547	\$23,687	\$20,975	\$20,547	STATE GRANTS - TAXES	\$24,362	\$24,362	\$24,362	
\$7,420,227	\$7,325,811	\$7,331,325	\$3,665,662	\$7,331,325	STATE GRANTS - EDUCATION	\$7,077,214	\$7,077,214	\$7,077,214	
\$539,341	\$656,893	\$571,787	\$564,363	\$577,308	STATE GRANTS - OTHER	\$827,644	\$827,644	\$827,644	
\$0	\$0	\$725,000	\$0	\$725,000	APPLIED SURPLUS	\$725,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	
\$158,009	\$331,736	\$119,090	\$23,908	\$53,146	SALES OF ASSETS & MISC	\$76,240	\$76,240	\$76,240	
\$4,159	\$32,000	\$140,587	\$0	\$32,000	OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$32,000	
\$0	\$38,093	\$83,333	\$0	\$83,333	FEDERAL GRANTS	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	
\$0	\$0	\$415,000	\$0	\$415,000	FUND BALANCE - CAPITAL	\$0	\$1,098,000	\$1,399,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FUND BALANCE - BOE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FUND BALANCE - CONTINGENCY	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$56,186,770	\$59,813,798	\$61,838,729	\$52,327,928	\$60,169,076	TOTAL REVENUES ANTICIPATED	\$72,330,828	\$67,153,067	\$65,044,838	
					<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>				
\$5,368,588	\$5,974,856	\$6,407,488	\$4,168,504	\$6,338,396	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$6,809,910	\$6,759,910	\$6,714,752	
\$6,108,993	\$6,672,475	\$7,842,378	\$4,210,457	\$8,053,650	PUBLIC SAFETY	\$8,887,863	\$8,623,348	\$8,470,472	
\$2,415,193	\$2,828,085	\$3,195,137	\$1,895,348	\$3,157,641	PUBLIC WORKS	\$3,240,549	\$3,220,549	\$3,186,685	
\$1,534,940	\$1,711,718	\$1,934,321	\$1,086,456	\$1,900,748	HEALTH & WELFARE	\$2,063,604	\$2,015,286	\$1,971,675	
\$276,943	\$294,191	\$309,840	\$254,155	\$301,805	CULTURE & RECREATION	\$335,753	\$320,953	\$333,213	
\$1,418,230	\$1,547,985	\$1,604,082	\$1,497,999	\$1,603,157	SOLID WASTE	\$1,647,681	\$1,647,681	\$1,647,681	
\$25,260	\$147,284	\$69,269	-\$23,840	\$340,000	RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$265,000	
\$4,310,640	\$885,000	\$59,500	\$0	\$800,000	OPERATING TRANSFERS	\$57,000	\$51,000	\$54,000	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$100	WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTH.	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$21,458,787	\$20,061,595	\$21,422,115	\$13,089,179	\$22,495,496	TOTAL GOV'T OPERATIONS	\$23,367,460	\$22,963,827	\$22,643,578	
\$32,732,408	\$33,253,514	\$33,901,724	\$18,418,520	\$33,901,724	BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$35,990,704	\$35,990,704	\$34,101,724	
\$0	\$147,304	\$31,500	\$0	\$0	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - G/F	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$75,000	\$294,000	\$0	\$0	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - Transfer	\$6,651,190	\$779,062	\$579,062	
\$0	\$652,000	\$415,000	\$0	\$0	FUND BALANCE APPLIED - CAPITAL	\$0	\$1,098,000	\$1,399,000	
\$3,776,338	\$4,886,851	\$5,774,390	\$5,774,390	\$5,774,390	DEBT SERVICE	\$6,321,474	\$6,321,474	\$6,321,474	
\$57,967,533	\$59,076,264	\$61,838,729	\$37,282,088	\$62,171,610	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$72,330,828	\$67,153,067	\$65,044,838	

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

FUNCTION: TOWN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

2025-2026

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TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUES					2025-2026				
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			CATEGORY SUMMATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$47,366,421	\$49,957,651	\$51,732,705	\$47,595,477	\$50,214,590	TAXES, CHARGES, CONVEYANCE, PILOT	\$62,703,895	\$56,403,134	\$53,993,905	
\$277,558	\$968,798	\$275,000	\$176,376	\$400,000	INVESTMENT PROGRAM INCOME	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	
\$301,444	\$374,442	\$313,410	\$220,656	\$319,640	LICENSES & PERMITS	\$297,713	\$297,713	\$297,713	
\$98,189	\$107,826	\$107,805	\$60,512	\$97,187	CURRENT SERVICES	\$91,760	\$91,760	\$91,760	
\$21,421	\$20,547	\$23,687	\$20,975	\$20,975	STATE GRANTS - TAXES	\$24,362	\$24,362	\$24,362	
\$7,420,227	\$7,325,811	\$7,331,325	\$3,665,662	\$7,331,325	STATE GRANTS - EDUCATION	\$7,077,214	\$7,077,214	\$7,077,214	
\$539,341	\$656,893	\$571,787	\$564,363	\$577,308	STATE GRANTS - OTHER	\$827,644	\$827,644	\$827,644	
\$158,009	\$331,736	\$1,259,090	\$23,908	\$1,193,146	APP. SURPLUS, SALE OF ASSETS, MISC. REV	\$801,240	\$1,924,240	\$2,225,240	
\$4,159	\$32,000	\$140,587	\$0	\$140,587	OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$32,000	
\$0	\$38,093	\$83,333	\$0	\$83,333	FEDERAL GRANTS	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	
\$56,186,770	\$59,813,798	\$61,838,729	\$52,327,929	\$60,378,091	GRAND TOTAL	\$72,330,828	\$67,153,067	\$65,044,838	

TAXES - CURRENT LEVY

Property taxation represents 79.99% of revenues in the proposed fiscal 2025-26 Town budget. Every October 1, a valuation of all taxable properties within the Town is performed. The total of these values comprises the Grand List, or Tax Base. The Town performed a revaluation for the October 1, 2024 Grand List and that Grand List will be used for the calculation of property taxes in fiscal year 2025-26.

The fiscal year begins July 1, with the tax rate based upon the budget as adopted based on the results of the Budget Referendum in May. The amount to be raised by taxes is equal to the total appropriations for Town Government, Board of Education operations, capital improvements and debt service, less revenue from non-tax sources and applied surpluses from prior periods. The rate is expressed in mills. One mil is equivalent to one dollar of tax for every thousand dollars of the assessed value, adjusted for the 2025-26 estimated tax collection rate of 98.6%. Current taxes are due each July 1 and January 1.

TAXES - PRIOR YEAR LEVIES

Prior year taxes represent an estimate of collections on delinquent taxes. The continued rate of collections on delinquent taxes experienced in 2024-25 will hopefully continue during 2025-26.

SUPPLEMENTAL MOTOR VEHICLE

Supplemental motor vehicle taxes are levied on vehicles registered during the period from October 2 through July 31. Since vehicles registered during this period did not appear on the October 1, Grand List, they are billed separately on a supplemental list. Supplemental motor vehicle taxes are due on January 1.

DELINQUENT CHARGES

In accordance with State Statute, delinquent interest is charged at the rate of 1.5% per month, or 18% annually, on all overdue taxes due to the Town. Liens are placed on real estate for delinquent taxes within one year after the due date. The present lien fee is \$24.00.

CONVEYANCE TAXES

The Town Clerk is responsible for collecting this tax, which is imposed on each deed or other instrument that transfers or conveys real property within the Town.

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT)

PILOTS are designed to replace tax revenues that were once received or would have been received if a property were taxable. The Town's largest PILOT comes from the South Central Regional Water Authority (SCCRWA), which is required to make payments to the Town based on the assessed value of its properties in Town. The PILOT payment calculation is defined by the State legislation that created the SCCRWA. The amount of the PILOT payment includes only properties that were on the tax rolls as of August 1980, when the SCCRWA was formed. The Town receives no PILOT payments for the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant, which has an assessment of over \$30 million. The North Branford Elderly Housing is a PILOT payment paid by the Housing Authority to the Town and is a function of rental income derived at Hillside Terrace. (This periodically is waived at the discretion of the Town Council.) The Town also receives a payment for PILOT from the telecommunications companies that have personal property in North Branford.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUE					2025-2026	DEPT: 3010, 3015, 3020, 3030			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: REVENUE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>3010 PROPERTY TAXES</u>				
\$44,503,209	\$46,920,213	\$48,934,856	\$46,264,352	\$47,265,000	CURRENT LEVY	\$59,877,068	\$53,576,307	\$51,217,794	
\$377,973	\$435,524	\$450,000	\$214,999	\$300,000	PRIOR YEAR LEVIES	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$450,000	
\$543,724	\$547,056	\$400,000	\$16,894	\$673,000	SUPPLEMENTAL MOTOR VEHICLE	\$650,000	\$650,000	\$650,000	
\$45,424,906	\$47,902,793	\$49,784,856	\$46,496,245	\$48,238,000	SUB TOTAL	\$60,977,068	\$54,676,307	\$52,317,794	
					<u>3015 DELINQUENT CHARGES</u>				
\$265,696	\$295,096	\$200,000	\$187,619	\$200,000	DELINQUENT INTEREST	\$280,000	\$280,000	\$280,000	
\$1,584	\$1,680	\$1,800	\$1,176	\$1,700	LIEN FEES	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	
\$1,770	\$372	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	WARRANT FEES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$440	\$436	\$440	\$300	\$400	NSF FEES - TAX	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	MOTOR VEHICLE SURCHARGE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$269,490	\$297,584	\$204,240	\$189,095	\$202,100	SUB TOTAL	\$282,900	\$282,900	\$282,900	
					<u>3020 OTHER TAXES</u>				
\$165,902	\$184,601	\$115,000	\$115,611	\$150,000	CONVEYANCE TAXES	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$135,000	
\$165,902	\$184,601	\$115,000	\$115,611	\$150,000	SUB TOTAL	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$135,000	
					<u>3030 PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES</u>				
\$1,477,734	\$1,530,896	\$1,588,609	\$794,526	\$1,589,051	REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY	\$1,278,927	\$1,278,927	\$1,228,211	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N.B. ELDERLY HOUSING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$28,388	\$41,778	\$40,000	\$0	\$35,439	TELECOMMUNICATIONS PILOT	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	
\$1,506,123	\$1,572,674	\$1,628,609	\$794,526	\$1,624,490	SUB TOTAL	\$1,308,927	\$1,308,927	\$1,258,211	
\$47,366,421	\$49,957,651	\$51,732,705	\$47,595,477	\$50,214,590	GRAND TOTAL	\$62,703,895	\$56,403,134	\$53,993,905	

INVESTMENT PROGRAM INCOME

Investment income reflects income earned from temporary investments made when the Town's cash balances in a given period exceed its immediate cash flow requirements. The investments of these funds are strictly regulated by State law, and include certificates of deposit (CDs), the State Treasurer's Investment Fund, and other low-risk, government-backed pooled funds. The expected annualized rate of return for 2025-26 is 2.30% of the projected average balances invested.

The Town has invested funds into three separate funds which ladder out bank certificates of deposit. These investments, all of which are under the FDIC liability coverage limits, are paying around 1% per annum. Typically, the Town has invested in money market funds. In the current investment interest climate, these investments are paying single digit annual return.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUES					2025-2026	DEPT: 3210			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY:	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	INVESTMENT PROGRAM INCOME EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$277,558	\$968,798	\$275,000	\$176,376	\$400,000	INVESTMENT PROGRAMS	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	
\$277,558	\$968,798	\$275,000	\$176,376	\$400,000	GRAND TOTAL	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	

LICENSES AND PERMITS

The most significant revenue item in this classification derives from building permits.

The budget for 2025-26 anticipates a constant level of residential and commercial building permits. Other licenses and permit revenues are expected to remain constant over prior year levels.

Residents now the ability to not only fill out Building Permits online, but can also pay online to further streamline the process.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUE					2025-2026	DEPT: 3300			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: LICENSES & PERMITS REVENUE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>441 GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>				
\$17,581	\$14,532	\$12,000	\$7,123	\$12,000	VITAL STATISTICS	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	
\$17,581	\$14,532	\$12,000	\$7,123	\$12,000	SUB TOTAL	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	
					<u>442 PUBLIC SAFETY</u>				
\$5,040	\$5,600	\$4,000	\$4,092	\$4,100	PISTOL PERMITS	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	
\$1,000	\$1,200	\$650	\$630	\$650	BAZAAR, BINGO, VENDORS, ETC.	\$625	\$625	\$625	
\$522	\$803	\$525	\$192	\$600	DOG LICENSES	\$550	\$550	\$550	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SPORT LICENSES (no longer sold)	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$4,928	\$3,560	\$3,000	\$0	\$1,000	FIRE MARSHAL FEES	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
						\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$11,490	\$11,163	\$8,175	\$4,914	\$6,350	SUB TOTAL	\$8,175	\$8,175	\$8,175	
					<u>446 DEVELOPMENT & CONSERVATION</u>				
\$268,233	\$346,527	\$290,000	\$208,009	\$290,000	BUILDING PERMITS	\$275,538	\$275,538	\$275,538	
\$1,805	\$420	\$735	\$210	\$290	ROAD OPENING PERMITS	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$2,335	\$1,800	\$2,500	\$400	\$11,000	INLAND WETLANDS PERMITS	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	
\$272,373	\$348,747	\$293,235	\$208,619	\$301,290	SUB TOTAL	\$278,538	\$278,538	\$278,538	
\$301,444	\$374,442	\$313,410	\$220,656	\$319,640	GRAND TOTAL	\$297,713	\$297,713	\$297,713	

CURRENT SERVICES

Current Services are comprised of user fees and charges for various services provided by Town departments. Examples of such charges include: Town Clerk recording & filing fees, Police Department fees for burglar alarm system registrations and copies of reports and other fees associated with development and conservation programs.

The largest item in this category, Recording & Filing fees, derives from fees charged to record real estate transactions with the Town Clerk's Office. Despite the flat regional economy, this revenue has exceeded the budgeted amounts for several years, due to mortgage refinancing in recent years and real estate sales in excess of projections.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUE					2025-2026		DEPT: 3400		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: CURRENT SERVICES REVENUE CLASSIFICATION	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>441 GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	COPIES - ASSESSOR	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$10,545	\$9,333	\$8,500	\$5,736	\$8,500	COPIES - TOWN CLERK	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	
\$53,443	\$55,701	\$65,000	\$34,543	\$54,000	RECORDING & FILING FEES	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	
\$0	\$0	\$5	\$0	\$0	COPIES - TAX DEPARTMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$390	\$320	\$300	\$80	\$250	PROPERTY REGISTRATIONS	\$200	\$200	\$200	
\$64,378	\$65,354	\$73,805	\$40,359	\$62,750	SUB TOTAL	\$57,700	\$57,700	\$57,700	
					<u>442 PUBLIC SAFETY</u>				
\$593	\$730	\$500	\$0	\$0	POLICE REPORTS/COPIES	\$450	\$450	\$450	
\$2,590	\$1,260	\$1,800	\$670	\$0	ALARM SYSTEM REGISTRATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$2,780	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	FIRE WATCH	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$3,183	\$4,769	\$3,300	\$670	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$450	\$450	\$450	
					<u>444 CULTURE & RECREATION</u>				
\$3,457	\$3,967	\$4,000	\$2,524	\$5,000	COPIES - LIBRARY	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	LIBRARY RENTALS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	RECREATION BROCHURE AD	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	RECREATION PROGRAM FEES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$15,528	\$18,692	\$18,000	\$9,889	\$18,000	FITNESS CENTER FEES	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000	
\$155	\$83	\$0	\$0	\$0	VAN TRANSPORTATION REVENUE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$19,140	\$22,742	\$22,000	\$12,413	\$23,000	SUB TOTAL	\$23,000	\$23,000	\$23,000	
					<u>445 HEALTH & WELFARE</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	COUNSELING FEES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$725	\$0	\$0	\$825	\$825	SOCIAL SERVICES FEES (OPERATION FUEL)	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$725	\$0	\$0	\$825	\$825	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>446 DEVELOPMENT & CONSERVATION</u>				
\$361	\$606	\$450	\$408	\$662	MICROFILM/MAPS/COPIES - BLDG DEPT	\$660	\$660	\$660	
\$3,660	\$3,600	\$2,500	\$240	\$3,600	BLASTING	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	
\$66	\$64	\$100	\$42	\$100	TOWN'S PORTION OF STATE SURCHARGE	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$286	\$366	\$250	\$151	\$250	TOWN'S PORTION OF EDUCATION FEE	\$250	\$250	\$250	
\$5,225	\$9,510	\$5,000	\$4,585	\$5,000	PLANNING DEPT FEES	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	
\$1,165	\$815	\$400	\$820	\$1,000	ZONING BD OF APPEALS FEES	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	ROAD INSPECTION FEES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	GIS PARCEL DATA SALES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$10,763	\$14,961	\$8,700	\$6,245	\$10,612	SUB TOTAL	\$10,610	\$10,610	\$10,610	
\$98,189	\$107,826	\$107,805	\$60,512	\$97,187	GRAND TOTAL	\$91,760	\$91,760	\$91,760	

STATE GRANTS - TAXES

The State provides reimbursement to municipalities for various tax exemption and tax relief programs that are defined by State Statutes. These programs include exemptions or tax reductions for certain disabled people, veterans, and senior citizens, who meet the eligibility requirements and specifications of the State legislation.

The estimated revenues from State Tax Grants are based on information contained in the Governor's publication entitled "CONNECTICUT FY 2026-2027 BIENNIUM GOVERNOR'S BUDGET."

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUE					2025-2026		DEPT: 3510		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: STATE GRANTS - TAXES REVENUE CLASSIFICATION	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>421 ELDERLY TAX RELIEF</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FREEZE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	CIRCUIT BREAKER	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>422 INDIVIDUAL EXEMPTIONS</u>				
\$2,296	\$2,405	\$2,350	\$2,322	\$2,322	DISABLED EXEMPTIONS	\$1,863	\$1,863	\$1,863	
\$12,029	\$10,494	\$13,566	\$10,707	\$10,707	ADDITIONAL VETERANS	\$8,046	\$8,046	\$8,046	
\$14,325	\$12,899	\$15,916	\$13,029	\$13,029	SUB TOTAL	\$9,909	\$9,909	\$9,909	
					<u>423 LOST REVENUES REIMBURSED</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	MANUFACTURERS MACHINES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	BOATS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$5,586	\$6,569	\$6,569	\$6,415	\$6,415	STATE OWNED PROPERTY	\$10,253	\$10,253	\$10,253	
\$5,586	\$6,569	\$6,569	\$6,415	\$6,415	SUB TOTAL	\$10,253	\$10,253	\$10,253	
					<u>424 COLLEGES</u>				
\$1,510	\$1,080	\$1,202	\$1,531	\$1,531	COLLEGES	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200	
\$1,510	\$1,080	\$1,202	\$1,531	\$1,531	SUB TOTAL	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200	
\$21,421	\$20,547	\$23,687	\$20,975	\$20,975	GRAND TOTAL	\$24,362	\$24,362	\$24,362	

STATE GRANTS - EDUCATION

As with State Grants - Taxes, revenues for State Grants - Education are based on the Governor's estimates as published in "CONNECTICUT FY 2026 – FY 2027 BIENNIUM GOVERNOR'S BUDGET". Most of this grant funding is received from the State during the second half of the fiscal year.

Our Education Cost Sharing (ECS) grant is more than \$250,000 lower in the 2025-26 Governor's budget than the 2024-25 figure.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET

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STATE GRANTS - OTHER

The State Legislature created a new entitlement grant in 1993-94 to distribute revenue from the casino operations of the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Indians. The Town's share of this grant amounted to \$146,687 in 2001-02 and has seen great reductions down to the current level.

The entire welfare reimbursement lines are eliminated in the new proposal of the state's takeover of general assistance.

Under the provisions of Connecticut General Statute 11-24b, local libraries that meet certain criteria are eligible to receive an annual grant from the State Library, which is shown on the opposite page as the Atwater Memorial Library grant. The grant is only distributed to one library per Town, although the basis for funding takes into consideration both the Atwater and Smith Libraries.

School construction grant interest and principal reimbursements are based on the Town's debt service payments for certain eligible school construction projects. The grant includes payments from the State for bonds issued during 1997-98 to fund the final portion of the new Jerome Harrison School.

All school projects after Jerome Harrison (the first being the auditorium) will be reimbursed by the state on a pay-as-you-go basis whereby the state will reimburse the town the appropriate percentage of eligible costs in a given project as the town incurs those costs.

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUE					2025-2026	DEPT: 3590			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: STATE GRANTS - OTHER REVENUE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$279,895	\$494,505	\$0	\$0	\$0	<u>441 GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$2,647	\$2,647	\$2,647	\$882	\$2,647	STATE REVENUE SHARING	\$2,647	\$2,647	\$2,647	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT/MOHEGAN	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$100,409	\$144,972	\$406,709	\$406,709	\$406,709	CONTROLLING INTEREST TRANSFER	\$654,566	\$654,566	\$654,566	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	MOTOR VEHICLE REPLACEMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$3,359	\$3,479	\$0	\$0	\$0	HOLD HARMLESS GRANT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$152,031	\$0	\$152,031	\$152,031	\$152,031	PURCHASE CARD REBATE	\$152,031	\$152,031	\$152,031	
\$0	\$10,181	\$0	\$4,621	\$4,621	MUNICIPAL STABILIZATION GRANT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$538,341	\$655,784	\$561,387	\$564,243	\$566,008	EARLY VOTING GRANT	\$809,244	\$809,244	\$809,244	
					<u>SUB TOTAL</u>				
					<u>442 PUBLIC SAFETY</u>				
\$1,000	\$1,109	\$400	\$120	\$0	MOTOR VEHICLE FINES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	DEP DRY HYDRANT GRANT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	EMPG STATE GRANT	\$7,400	\$7,400	\$7,400	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	PSAP TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$1,000	\$1,109	\$400	\$120	\$0	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	\$7,400	\$7,400	\$7,400	
					<u>444 CULTURE & RECREATION</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$11,300	BORROWIT (FKA CONNECTICARD)	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	ATWATER MEMORIAL LIBRARY	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$11,300	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	
					<u>445 PUBLIC SERVICE</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	WELFARE - QUARTERLY	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	WELFARE - INDIVIDUAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>448 SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION GRANT</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	PRINCIPAL REIMBURSEMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	INTEREST REIMBURSEMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>556 OTHER</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	EASEMENTS PURCHASED BY STATE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$539,341	\$656,893	\$571,787	\$564,363	\$577,308	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	\$827,644	\$827,644	\$827,644	

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE

Because of the relative financial stability of the Town and the size of the Town's unassigned fund balance (accumulated surplus from prior periods), the Town Manager is recommending the use of \$750,000 of funds from accumulated surplus in the 2025-26 budget to stabilize the mill rate.

At June 30, 2023, the Town's unassigned fund balance in the General Fund was 13.99% of the 2023-24 budget.

Condominium fire hydrant revenue is directly offset by the same amount for expenditures in the hydrant account to bring this under the Town's program with the Regional Water Authority.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUE					2025-2026	DEPT: 3690, 3740, 3799, 3810, 3840			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: REVENUE CLASSIFICATION	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$9,500	\$10,300	\$10,500	\$5,600	\$10,500	<u>3740 USE OR SALE OF ASSETS</u>				
\$7,153	\$17,373	\$30,000	\$1,804	\$20,000	TOWN BUILDING RENTAL	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	
\$8,621	\$19,466	\$2,500	\$6,170	\$7,000	SCHOOL BUILDING RENTAL	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	EQUIPMENT SALE	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	
					SALE OF TOWN LAND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$25,274	\$47,139	\$43,000	\$13,574	\$37,500	SUB TOTAL	\$37,500	\$37,500	\$37,500	
\$72,363	\$1,951	\$60,000	\$5,072	\$10,000	<u>3799 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>				
\$1,125	\$3,250	\$2,100	\$2,300	\$0	REFUNDS-PRIOR YEAR EXP.	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	
\$0	\$0	\$1,100	\$0	\$0	MOTOR VEHICLE FINES-TOWN	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
\$186	\$171	\$200	\$103	\$200	ALARM SYSTEM FINES	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$56	\$0	\$0	\$386	\$386	LIBRARY FINES	\$200	\$200	\$200	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	RECYCLING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$2,416	\$1,345	\$0	\$0	\$0	WELFARE LIENS & REIMBURSEMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$20	\$120	\$40	\$20	\$60	MISCELLANEOUS REIMBURSEMENTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$50,981	\$272,010	\$5,000	\$2,087	\$3,000	NSF FEES	\$40	\$40	\$40	
\$1,541	\$0	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	ALL OTHER	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	
\$4,048	\$5,750	\$5,000	\$0	\$2,000	CONDOMINIUM FIRE HYDRANTS	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	CANCELLATION OF PRIOR YR. P.O.'S	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$366	\$0	TUITION REIMBURSEMENT-NON NB	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$150	\$0	\$0	POLICE MISC	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					SIMPLE RECYCLING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$132,736	\$284,597	\$76,090	\$10,334	\$15,646	SUB TOTAL	\$38,740	\$38,740	\$38,740	
\$0	\$0	\$725,000	\$0	\$725,000	<u>3840 SURPLUS APPROPRIATED</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$415,000	\$0	\$415,000	CURRENT YEAR'S BUDGET	\$725,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	CAPITAL APPROPRIATION	\$0	\$1,098,000	\$1,399,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	BOE APPROPRIATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATIONS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$1,140,000	\$0	\$1,140,000	SUB TOTAL	\$725,000	\$1,848,000	\$2,149,000	
\$0	\$38,093	\$83,333	\$0	\$83,333	<u>3690 FEDERAL GRANTS</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	COPS GRANT	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	
\$0	\$38,093	\$83,333	\$0	\$83,333	BOE DEPT OF ENERGY REFUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					SUB TOTAL	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<u>3810 BOND PROCEEDS FOR FEES</u>				
					REFUNDING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$158,009	\$369,829	\$1,342,423	\$23,908	\$1,276,479	GRAND TOTAL	\$926,240	\$2,049,240	\$2,350,240	

OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

This revenue classification includes transfers to the general fund from several funds listed in the Other Funds section of this budget document.

A portion of Dog Fund revenue is transferred to the general fund to offset a portion of the costs of the Animal Control function.

Transfers from sewer assessment funds are made each year to offset the portion of the Town's debt service budget that is attributable to sewer projects, net of the portion of the debt that is paid by the general fund budget.

Investment income from library and other trust funds is transferred to specified departments and activities within the general fund budget to offset certain operating costs of the Town. The Library Board recommends the amount to be transferred from the Atwater Memorial Trust and the Edward Smith Trust, based on projected investment earnings on those funds. The principal balances of Trust funds are not available for expenditures: only investment income earned on these balances is made available for appropriation.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL FUND REVENUE					2025-2026	DEPT: 3900			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: OPERATING TRANSFERS IN REVENUE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>662 SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</u>				
\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	FROM DOG FUND	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FROM AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$2,159	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FROM POLICE EXTRA DUTY	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FROM RESERVES FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$4,159	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	SUB TOTAL	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
					<u>663 SPECIAL SEWER ASSESSMENTS</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FROM SECTION C ASSESSMENTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	WHITE HOLLOW/MIDDLETOWN AVE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>664 CAPITAL FUNDS</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FROM SECTION B CAP. ASSESSMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FROM SECTION C CAP. ASSESSMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$108,587	\$0	\$108,587	FROM CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$108,587	\$0	\$108,587	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>665 TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS</u>				
\$0	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$0	\$28,000	ATWATER MEMORIAL TRUST	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	
\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	EDWARD SMITH TRUST	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NORTHFORD SCHOOL FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NORTH BRANFORD SCHOOL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NORTHFORD 4TH SCHOOL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NO BRANFORD 4TH SCHOOL DIST.	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SAMUEL FOOTE CEMETERY	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SAFEKEEPING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	SUB TOTAL	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	
\$4,159	\$32,000	\$140,587	\$0	\$140,587	GRAND TOTAL	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$32,000	

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Annual Budget



**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026				
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			CATEGORY SUMMATION	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$126,640	\$128,870	\$127,029	\$119,973	\$127,457	MAYOR & COUNCIL	\$134,204	\$134,204	\$126,957	
\$4,134	\$5,047	\$7,000	\$3,170	\$5,580	PERMANENT PROJECT BUILDING COMM.	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$6,594	
\$283,624	\$375,876	\$406,422	\$239,190	\$402,258	TOWN MANAGER	\$405,798	\$405,798	\$404,236	
\$387,684	\$403,686	\$390,687	\$206,131	\$384,100	FINANCE	\$404,921	\$399,921	\$385,444	
\$300,695	\$305,218	\$336,336	\$221,372	\$335,652	CENTRAL SERVICES	\$355,125	\$355,125	\$373,875	
\$221,413	\$212,172	\$224,304	\$135,534	\$228,678	ASSESSOR	\$229,025	\$229,025	\$222,842	
\$1,710	\$1,500	\$1,600	\$0	\$1,500	BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$100	
\$142,381	\$169,089	\$207,180	\$115,566	\$215,102	TAX COLLECTOR	\$216,631	\$216,631	\$208,631	
\$107,223	\$145,155	\$130,100	\$95,000	\$130,000	TOWN ATTORNEY	\$139,100	\$139,100	\$119,100	
\$202,492	\$240,151	\$218,558	\$212,878	\$280,438	TECHNOLOGY	\$274,512	\$274,512	\$269,762	
\$234,999	\$244,314	\$262,497	\$150,441	\$260,627	TOWN CLERK	\$265,888	\$265,888	\$265,888	
\$5,221	\$6,565	\$9,723	\$4,690	\$8,135	PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION	\$9,847	\$9,847	\$9,946	
\$78,195	\$125,338	\$137,554	\$73,415	\$136,067	PLANNING DEPARTMENT	\$140,163	\$140,163	\$139,875	
\$2,557	\$1,537	\$2,954	\$957	\$1,500	ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	\$2,650	\$2,650	\$2,650	
\$341,859	\$370,433	\$429,747	\$457,150	\$490,524	PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$536,080	\$511,080	\$511,080	
\$6,452	\$8,407	\$6,750	\$0	\$7,500	PROBATE COURT	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$8,000	
\$2,868	\$2,668	\$5,051	\$2,282	\$2,965	CONSERVATION & INLAND WETLANDS	\$4,747	\$4,747	\$4,747	
\$19,421	\$6,986	\$11,610	\$2,767	\$4,853	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION	\$12,229	\$12,229	\$12,229	
\$59,589	\$65,922	\$120,271	\$81,783	\$115,104	ELECTIONS	\$93,330	\$93,330	\$93,330	
\$2,839,430	\$3,155,921	\$3,372,114	\$2,046,205	\$3,200,356	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$3,569,466	\$3,549,466	\$3,549,466	
\$5,368,588	\$5,974,856	\$6,407,487	\$4,168,504	\$6,338,396	GRAND TOTAL	\$6,809,910	\$6,759,910	\$6,714,752	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	MAYOR & COUNCIL		4103	
EXPLANATION:				
<p>The Town Council is the legislative body of the Town of North Branford. The Mayor and eight (8) Town Council members are elected for a two (2) year term and serve without pay. The Town Council enacts ordinances and resolutions and establishes policy for the Town. The Town Council also serves as the Water Pollution Control Authority (W.P.C.A.).</p> <p>The Mayor & Council's accounts provide for the printing of ordinances and budgets, legal advertising, membership in Council of Small Towns (COST), the Regional Council of Governments and the Town Audit.</p>				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES				
<p>The Council's work is somewhat governed by state statutes and mandates on matters such as contract adoption, sewer installation, revaluation, adoption of a Capital Improvements Plan, and audit requirements.</p>				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25				
<p>1. Improved public safety by increasing the number of sworn Police Officers for the Town</p> <p>2. Approved several significant projects with ARPA funds, infrastructure, technology, public safety and recreation</p> <p>3. Established a Blueprint Committee to review the use of town land and facilities</p> <p>4. Created a Veterans' Service Commission to support and celebrate our local veteran community</p>				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26				
<p>1. Set a fair budget with a reasonable tax rate and deliver core services to the public.</p> <p>2. Work with the Town Manager to develop good public policy for North Branford</p> <p>3. Continue to provide for good government and leadership for the Town.</p>				
	2024-25	2025-26	2025-26	2025-26
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Part-time clerk	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
TOTAL	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

FUNCTION:	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2025-2026	DEPT: 4103
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HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: MAYOR & COUNCIL EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION <u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$6,200 \$90	\$7,150 \$301	\$6,075 \$150	\$2,550 \$85	\$6,075 \$1,050	51620 PART TIME 52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$8,400 \$122	\$8,400 \$122	\$5,400 \$78	
\$6,290	\$7,472	\$6,252	\$2,681	\$7,175	SUB TOTAL	\$8,522	\$8,522	\$5,478	
\$0 \$345 \$0	\$0 \$442 \$297	\$0 \$0 \$150	\$0 \$0 \$368	\$0 \$0 \$400	<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u> 56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES 56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES 56300 FOOD	\$0 \$0 \$150	\$0 \$0 \$150	\$0 \$0 \$150	
\$345	\$739	\$150	\$368	\$400	SUB TOTAL	\$150	\$150	\$150	
\$1,693 \$1,583 \$21,137 \$95,592	\$3,293 \$1,272 \$21,333 \$94,762	\$545 \$1,450 \$22,529 \$96,103	\$0 \$228 \$21,504 \$95,192	\$0 \$1,250 \$22,529 \$96,103	<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u> 55500 PRINTING & BINDING 55400 ADVERTISING 53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$1,250 \$1,450 \$22,529 \$100,303	\$1,250 \$1,450 \$22,529 \$100,303	\$750 \$1,450 \$22,529 \$96,600	
\$120,005	\$120,660	\$120,627	\$116,924	\$119,882	SUB TOTAL	\$125,532	\$125,532	\$121,329	
\$126,640	\$128,870	\$127,029	\$119,973	\$127,457	GRAND TOTAL	\$134,204	\$134,204	\$126,957	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION GENERAL GOVERNMENT		ACTIVITY PERMANENT PROJECT BUILDING COMMITTEE	DEPT NO. 4105	
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>The Permanent Project Building Committee was formed in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1996. Their charge is to be the project building committee for any major Town building project.</p> <p>There is a core of 5 members and two members from the specific project's agency. (i.e., if a school project, the Board of Education can appoint the two additional members).</p> <p>IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES</p> <p>CHRO has mandates that will be enforced for any state funding over \$50,000, along with Prevailing Wages (if applicable).</p> <p>HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25</p> <p>1 Construction continued at the new high school, with completion expected in this year.</p> <p>2 Construction of the new Police Station/Emergency Operations Center will be completed before the end of the fiscal year.</p> <p>OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26</p> <p>1 Monitor and provide project oversight for the new roof at NBIS and masonry work at NBIS and be a liaison between PPBC and the Town.</p>				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Secretary for committee	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

FUNCTION:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

2025-2026

DEPT: 4105

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ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY			DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	TOWN MANAGER			4113
EXPLANATION: The Town Manager is appointed by the Town Council and is the Chief Executive Officer of the Town. He is responsible to the Town Council for the operation of all departments and agencies, except those elected by the residents or appointed by the Town Council. This budget reflects the expenses related to the operation of the Town Manager's Office, including administration of the Classified Merit System, budget presentation and management, annual report and labor contract negotiations.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES: The Town Manager's office is strongly impacted by state statutes and mandates which cover all aspects of general government administration, including collective bargaining, personnel matters, equal employment, disability, workers' compensation, purchasing, budgeting, and financial operations.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25 1. Established new Veterans' Service Commission in collaboration with the Town Council 2. Conducted first Restaurant Month in North Branford promoting our local restaurants during the month of February 3. Continued to expand digital profile, accessibility and communications for the Town.				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26 1. Continue project completion and close-out of new high school and police station projects 2. Continue to develop Economic Development Plan with Assistant Town Manager in collaboration with the Economic Development Commission and launch new initiative promoting local business 3. Continue collaborative work with Town Council in developing and achieving policy goals				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Town Manager	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Assistant Town Manager	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Executive Assistant	<u>1.0</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>1.0</u>
TOTAL	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4113		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: TOWN MANAGER EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2 0 2 5 - 2 0 2 6			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$205,629	\$299,230	\$316,538	\$171,816	\$311,538	51610 FULL TIME	\$311,538	\$311,538	\$311,538	
\$15,902	\$23,129	\$24,445	\$13,506	\$24,062	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$24,062	\$24,062	\$24,062	
\$19,100	\$23,921	\$33,259	\$24,696	\$32,758	52300 RETIREMENT	\$32,758	\$32,758	\$32,758	
\$240,630	\$346,281	\$374,242	\$210,018	\$368,358	SUB TOTAL	\$368,358	\$368,358	\$368,358	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$1,096	\$708	\$300	\$96	\$250	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$700	\$700	\$700	
\$0	\$0	\$325	\$970	\$970	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$325	\$325	\$325	
\$1,096	\$708	\$625	\$1,066	\$1,220	SUB TOTAL	\$1,025	\$1,025	\$1,025	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$534	\$535	\$1,200	\$268	\$480	54100 TELEPHONE	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	
\$1,673	\$2,866	\$1,880	\$1,500	\$3,000	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$1,738	
\$6,555	\$4,814	\$5,000	\$4,650	\$5,500	55400 ADVERTISING	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
\$5,200	\$6,146	\$7,200	\$5,400	\$7,200	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$7,200	\$7,200	\$7,200	
\$1,698	\$2,677	\$5,375	\$1,373	\$4,500	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$5,375	\$5,375	\$5,375	
\$14,974	\$11,849	\$10,900	\$14,915	\$12,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$17,340	\$17,340	\$16,340	
\$30,634	\$28,887	\$31,555	\$28,106	\$32,680	SUB TOTAL	\$36,415	\$36,415	\$34,853	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$11,264	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$11,264	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$283,624	\$375,876	\$406,422	\$239,190	\$402,258	GRAND TOTAL	\$405,798	\$405,798	\$404,236	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY			DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	FINANCE			4117
EXPLANATION: The Finance Department is responsible for performing all of the Town's financial, treasury, and accounting functions for the General Fund as well as the Town's other funds and account groups. The department administers the Town's employee benefits, investments, cash and debt management, data processing and pension plans. The department also prepares financial statements and special reports to meet annual audit, federal and state reporting requirements and assists in developing, monitoring and administering the Town's budget.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES State statutes pertaining to audits and financial reporting, budget preparation, and grant applications govern a considerable portion of the Department's activities. In addition, the Payroll function must make regular reports to the Department of Labor, and investments are restricted by State regulations.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25 Countless hours spent on the MUNIS software implementation				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26 Resolving all outstanding MUNIS issues Implementing the ClearGov product to provide better financial information to our residents				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Treasurer/Finance Director	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Staff Accountant	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Account Clerk I	<u>1.8</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>1.8</u>
TOTAL	3.8	4.0	4.0	3.8

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET										
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4117			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION			2024-2025		ACTIVITY: FINANCE EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025-2026				
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED	
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>					
\$269,313	\$254,924	\$283,184	\$155,332	\$278,000	51610 FULL TIME	\$345,949	\$345,949	\$284,139		
\$49,492	\$46,463	\$48,165	\$26,986	\$48,000	51620 PART TIME	\$0	\$0	\$49,505		
\$733	\$631	\$0	\$0	\$0	51630 OVERTIME	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$24,222	\$22,725	\$25,709	\$13,734	\$26,000	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$26,871	\$26,871	\$25,929		
\$22,660	\$15,748	\$22,579	\$4,088	\$23,000	52300 RETIREMENT	\$18,551	\$18,551	\$17,321		
\$366,419	\$340,490	\$379,637	\$200,140	\$375,000	SUB TOTAL	\$391,371	\$391,371	\$376,894		
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>					
\$1,922	\$526	\$1,470	\$707	\$1,000	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$1,470	\$1,470	\$1,470		
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$1,922	\$526	\$1,470	\$707	\$1,000	SUB TOTAL	\$1,470	\$1,470	\$1,470		
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>					
\$395	\$545	\$600	\$298	\$550	54100 TELEPHONE	\$600	\$600	\$600		
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$17,064	\$0	\$3,250	\$0	\$650	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$750	\$750	\$750		
\$1,534	\$1,352	\$2,130	\$3,240	\$1,900	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$2,130	\$2,130	\$2,130		
\$350	\$60,152	\$3,600	\$1,746	\$5,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$8,600	\$3,600	\$3,600		
\$19,343	\$62,049	\$9,580	\$5,284	\$8,100	SUB TOTAL	\$12,080	\$7,080	\$7,080		
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>					
\$0	\$621	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$0	\$621	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$387,684	\$403,686	\$390,687	\$206,131	\$384,100	GRAND TOTAL	\$404,921	\$399,921	\$385,444		

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	CENTRAL SERVICES		4129	
EXPLANATION: Central Services is responsible for the purchasing functions of all departments, risk management, loss control and safety, custodial support for six open Town buildings and two closed buildings.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES Mandates impacting this department include state requirements regarding purchases subject to competitive bid. Also reporting requirements in area of Solid Waste. OSHA monthly maintenance & annual reporting				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-2025 The Department generated 634 PO's to date, 5 bids, 6 RFP's Attended all PPBC meetings and will be the liaison to PPBC members during the construction projects. Continue to piggy back off of contracts with CT Source, CREC and CRCOG and any other consortiums to ensure competitive bidding and secure the best prices for the town. Standardized solicitation and contract templates for accuracy and consistency. Centralized P-card function into Central Services - Roll out of new P-card company				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-2026 Manage central purchasing activities to control the Town's costs and provide professional and efficient service to all departments. Continue higher usage of P-Card to generate revenue for the Town. Create and maintain Insurance certificates for risk management Facilitate greater use of Munis for backup for Purchase Orders, Insurance Certificates, Etc. Centralize all utilities into a Central Services Utility Budget Department STWCC - Pavillion snd various Projects NBIS masonry & roof project - Construction to be completed August 2025				
PERSONNEL	2024-25 AUTHORIZED	2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED	2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED	2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED
Purchasing Assistant	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Secretary	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
TOTAL	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4129		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: CENTRAL SERVICES EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$85,977	\$87,369	\$90,177	\$50,098	\$90,177	<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$37,342	\$39,713	\$40,272	\$23,008	\$40,272	51610 FULL TIME	\$90,177	\$90,177	\$90,177	
\$9,360	\$9,681	\$10,268	\$5,592	\$10,268	51620 PART TIME	\$42,621	\$42,621	\$42,621	
\$5,197	\$12,799	\$14,673	\$8,006	\$14,673	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$10,159	\$10,159	\$10,159	
					52300 RETIREMENT	\$14,545	\$14,545	\$14,545	
\$137,875	\$149,562	\$155,390	\$86,705	\$155,390	SUB TOTAL	\$157,502	\$157,502	\$157,502	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$13,229	\$12,267	\$14,875	\$14,307	\$14,875	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$15,250	\$15,250	\$15,250	
\$2,352	\$2,190	\$4,750	\$3,141	\$4,750	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	
\$5,795	\$7,150	\$10,598	\$6,790	\$10,598	56010 CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$10,600	\$10,600	\$10,600	
\$0	\$47	\$0	\$0	\$0	54900 UNIFORMS AND CLOTHING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$5,872	(\$2,206)	\$0	\$1,255	\$0	56240 HEATING FUEL	\$0	\$0	\$3,500	
\$2,187	\$6,935	\$12,000	\$2,983	\$12,000	56210 NATURAL GAS	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	
\$4,377	\$3,965	\$5,182	\$3,425	\$4,000	56260 MOTOR FUEL AND LUBRICANTS	\$4,800	\$4,800	\$3,808	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$33,813	\$30,348	\$47,405	\$31,902	\$46,223	SUB TOTAL	\$47,150	\$47,150	\$49,658	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$7,596	\$8,388	\$9,000	\$6,348	\$9,000	54100 TELEPHONE	\$12,984	\$12,984	\$24,636	
\$23,280	\$27,480	\$24,058	\$8,656	\$24,058	56220 UTILITIES	\$24,058	\$24,058	\$39,058	
\$3,178	\$1,402	\$1,375	\$731	\$1,375	54411 WATER/SEWER	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	
\$2,414	\$2,229	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$3,000	
\$1,253	\$1,014	\$1,200	\$2,409	\$2,400	55400 ADVERTISING	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$23,320	\$18,695	\$31,000	\$19,497	\$26,500	55301 POSTAGE	\$26,000	\$26,000	\$26,000	
\$6,501	\$8,094	\$7,170	\$4,710	\$7,170	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$7,170	\$7,170	\$6,510	
\$16,524	\$9,622	\$9,650	\$5,247	\$9,650	54301 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$11,850	\$11,850	\$3,600	
\$13,218	\$13,394	\$14,088	\$17,043	\$19,386	54440 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$29,436	\$29,436	\$29,436	
\$1,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$560	\$750	\$1,025	\$750	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$825	\$825	\$825	
\$29,924	\$30,686	\$30,750	\$34,101	\$30,750	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$30,750	\$30,750	\$30,750	
\$129,007	\$121,565	\$132,041	\$102,766	\$134,039	SUB TOTAL	\$150,473	\$150,473	\$166,715	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$1,500	\$0	\$0	57200 BUILDING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$996	\$0	\$0	\$0	57201 BUILDING EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$3,742	\$1,500	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$300,695	\$305,218	\$336,336	\$221,372	\$335,652	GRAND TOTAL	\$355,125	\$355,125	\$373,875	

ANNUAL BUDGET

FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	ASSESSOR	4131

EXPLANATION:

The Office of the Assessor is responsible for the valuation and assessment of all Real, Personal and Motor Vehicle properties within the legal boundaries of the Town of North Branford. An annual Grand List is compiled which represents 70% of true and actual value, obtained through the process of discovery, listing and valuation. Exemptions, such as Veterans, Blind, Disabled, Farm Land, Manufacturing Machinery, etc., are then applied to each qualified account, creating the Net Taxable Grand List. This list signifies approximately 70% of all revenue received by the Town, and is the largest source of income used to supplement the Town's budget and calculate the mill rate.

The Assessor's Office is a main hub for information to Real Estate Brokers, Appraisers, Title Searchers, Attorneys, Surveyors, as well as other Town Departments, and the General Public. Annual updates to the Assessor Tax Maps are also maintained, as well as providing assistance for State and local Exemption programs.

IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES

Assessment procedures are mandated by law as prescribed within the Connecticut General Statutes.

HIGHLIGHTS FOR FY 2024-25

Implemented a Revaluation

OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26

Continue to equitably assess all properties
Continue to provide excellent customer service

<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Assessor	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Account Clerk I	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Part Time Clerk	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
TOTAL	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET										
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4131			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: ASSESSOR EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION		2 0 2 5 - 2 0 2 6			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025			PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>					
\$147,309	\$153,281	\$159,125	\$87,694	\$160,505	51610 FULL TIME		\$160,815	\$160,815	\$160,815	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	51620 PART TIME		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$372	\$572	\$786	\$393	\$1,500	51630 OVERTIME		\$1,009	\$1,009	\$1,009	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	51900 ASSESSOR MISCELLANEOUS PAY		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$11,320	\$11,813	\$12,436	\$6,770	\$12,393	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY		\$12,582	\$12,582	\$12,582	
\$16,409	\$16,687	\$17,281	\$9,500	\$17,230	52300 RETIREMENT		\$17,453	\$17,453	\$17,453	
\$175,409	\$182,353	\$189,628	\$104,357	\$191,629	SUB TOTAL		\$191,859	\$191,859	\$191,859	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$3,227	\$0	\$1,700	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS		\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	
\$3,227	\$0	\$1,700	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL		\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	54100 TELEPHONE		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$2,990	\$1,091	\$2,300	\$843	\$1,940	55500 PRINTING AND BINDING		\$2,300	\$2,300	\$950	
\$45	\$741	\$200	\$100	\$750	55400 ADVERTISING		\$200	\$200	\$200	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$24,093	\$27,817	\$29,082	\$30,234	\$34,359	53510 DATA PROCESSING		\$31,332	\$31,332	\$26,499	
\$1,263	\$170	\$1,394	\$0	\$0	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT		\$1,634	\$1,634	\$1,634	
\$14,386	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$42,776	\$29,819	\$32,976	\$31,177	\$37,049	SUB TOTAL		\$35,466	\$35,466	\$29,283	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$221,413	\$212,172	\$224,304	\$135,534	\$228,678	GRAND TOTAL		\$229,025	\$229,025	\$222,842	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS	4133
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>The Board of Assessment Appeals consists of three (3) members appointed by the Town Council for a three (3) year term. The Board hears appeals from decisions of the Assessor. It is empowered to change assessments in order to correct any inequities it may discover.</p> <p>New legislation per PA95-283 states that the Board of Assessment Appeals will hold hearings in March and September by appointment only. Written application must be made to the Board of Assessment Appeals on or before February 20th annually in order to be granted a hearing during the month of March.</p>		
<p>PERSONNEL None</p>		

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
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ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	TAX COLLECTOR	4135

EXPLANATION:

The North Branford Tax Collector's office is responsible for collecting taxes on real estate, personal property and motor vehicles. The Tax Collector's office is responsible for the collection of over \$49 million in budgeted revenues which is derived from over 5,300 real estate, 14,500 Motor Vehicle and 610 Personal Property accounts and 2200 Supplemental Motor Vehicle accounts. The office is also responsible for the collection of delinquent taxes and fees - these activities are governed by State Statutes. The Tax Collector's Office is also responsible for the collection of sewer assessment and sewer user fees. All delinquent interest, lien fees, and warrant fees are set by the State of Connecticut.

IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES

The operations of the Tax Collector's Office are subject to numerous State Statutes and regulations.

HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25

Worked with Town Attorney and TaxServ to collect delinquent taxes

OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26

Continue to improve collections

<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Tax Collector (tax %)	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Account Clerk II (tax %)	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Part time clerk (tax %)	<u>0.8</u>	<u>0.8</u>	<u>0.8</u>	<u>0.8</u>
TOTAL	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET										
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4135			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: TAX COLLECTOR		2 0 2 5 - 2 0 2 6			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>					
\$69,379	\$113,125	\$112,847	\$63,848	\$112,847	51610 FULL TIME		\$113,698	\$113,698	\$113,698	
\$32,613	\$18,570	\$32,927	\$14,272	\$33,000	51620 PART TIME		\$33,370	\$33,370	\$33,370	
\$30	\$75	\$0	\$0	\$500	51630 OVERTIME		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$6,663	\$9,669	\$11,261	\$5,936	\$12,000	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY		\$11,454	\$11,454	\$11,454	
	\$8,920	\$15,912	\$6,915	\$16,455	52300 RETIREMENT		\$16,139	\$16,139	\$16,139	
\$116,289	\$150,359	\$172,947	\$90,972	\$174,802	SUB TOTAL		\$174,661	\$174,661	\$174,661	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>					
\$2,463	\$2,385	\$2,760	\$746	\$2,800	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES		\$2,760	\$2,760	\$2,760	
\$2,463	\$2,385	\$2,760	\$746	\$2,800	SUB TOTAL		\$2,760	\$2,760	\$2,760	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	54100 TELEPHONE		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55500 PRINTING AND BINDING		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$90	\$475	\$510	\$461	\$900	55400 ADVERTISING		\$510	\$510	\$510	
\$14,100	\$12,000	\$12,333	\$13,000	\$16,000	53510 DATA PROCESSING		\$18,000	\$18,000	\$10,000	
\$200	\$760	\$1,990	\$1,519	\$2,500	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT		\$2,590	\$2,590	\$2,590	
\$9,034	\$2,607	\$16,540	\$8,869	\$18,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL		\$18,010	\$18,010	\$18,010	
\$23,629	\$16,346	\$31,373	\$23,849	\$37,400	SUB TOTAL		\$39,110	\$39,110	\$31,110	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT		\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	SUB TOTAL		\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$142,381	\$169,089	\$207,180	\$115,566	\$215,102	GRAND TOTAL		\$216,631	\$216,631	\$208,631	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	TOWN ATTORNEY	4139
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>The Town Attorney is appointed by the Town Council and serves for the term of the Town Council appointing him. He serves as legal advisor to the Town Council, Town Manager and all Boards, Commissions and Offices of the Town, except the Board of Education. He represents the Town in actions or proceedings in which the Town is a party or has an interest.</p> <p>The Town Attorney is paid a retainer for which he attends all Town Council meetings, renders legal opinion to all Boards, Commissions and Town staff, and provides legal advice to all Town officers.</p> <p>Funds are also included to cover litigations outside of the Town Attorney's normal role. These funds are used to fund law suits, administrative hearings, and other special projects at a rate of \$200 per hour.</p> <p>Funds are also included for a labor attorney and other outside counsel to assist the various departments on labor related questions and other matters of litigation.</p>		

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FUNCTION:	GENERAL GOVERNMENT
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ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	TECHNOLOGY	4143
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>This department was created in the 2000-01 budget as a means to better account for technology expenditures that covered many departments.</p>		
<p>HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New website launched 2. Explored putting streaming video of Town meetings (Boards & Commissions) on the Town's website. 3. Assisted all the Departments with technology concerns 4. Provided new technology to Town Council members 5. Assisted all the Departments with the MUNIS conversion 6. Began installation of town-owned fiber to allow remote departments to access town files easier 		
<p>OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Formulate a plan for systematic replacement of PC's and other technology to keep all users as efficient as possible 2. Replace security cameras at Town Hall 3. Bring the town-owned fiber project to completion 		
<p><u>PERSONNEL</u></p> <p>NONE</p>		

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4143		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY : TECHNOLOGY		2025-2026		
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$10,667	\$8,091	\$4,000	\$8,091	51620 PART TIME	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$9,500	
\$0	\$816	\$619	\$306	\$619	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$727	\$727	\$727	
\$0	\$155	\$728	-\$9	\$728	52300 RETIREMENT	\$855	\$855	\$855	
\$0	\$11,638	\$9,438	\$4,297	\$9,438	SUB TOTAL	\$11,082	\$11,082	\$11,082	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$932	\$6,642	\$1,400	\$4,406	\$6,000	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	
\$0	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$2,250	
\$932	\$6,642	\$1,450	\$4,406	\$6,000	SUB TOTAL	\$6,250	\$6,250	\$6,250	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	54100 TELEPHONE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$71,622	\$32,342	\$23,300	\$45,034	\$65,000	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$26,300	\$26,300	\$24,800	
\$129,938	\$181,834	\$181,870	\$159,141	\$200,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$228,380	\$228,380	\$227,630	
\$201,561	\$214,177	\$205,170	\$204,175	\$265,000	SUB TOTAL	\$254,680	\$254,680	\$252,430	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$7,694	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0	
\$0	\$7,694	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0	
\$202,492	\$240,151	\$218,558	\$212,878	\$280,438	GRAND TOTAL	\$274,512	\$274,512	\$269,762	

ANNUAL BUDGET

FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	TOWN CLERK	4147

EXPLANATION:

The Town Clerk's Office records all documents pertaining to land records. The office handles vital statistics, issues various licenses, and answers inquiries from the public. The Town Clerk is responsible for the preparation and conduct of elections in cooperation with the Registrar of Voters.

IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES

The duties of the office are completely governed by Federal law, the Connecticut General Statutes and the Town Charter.

HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25

1. Awarded another grant in the amount of \$5,500 to continue adding older land records in the electronic database providing greater public access.
2. Training and tweaking of MUNIS ongoing for staff.
3. Working with Registrar of Voters, helped with implementation of Early Voting during the Presidential Election. Staff and election workers did a great job working the many days of Early Voting during a busy Presidential Election. Training for new state election systems scheduled for April & May.
4. P.A. 24-111 amended the process for trade name filings: fee increased from \$10 to \$20, State created new forms, trade names now expire, and Town Clerks responsible for adding them into the State database. Most aspects effective January 1, 2025 - not database entry.

	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u> (as of 12-31-24)
Recording Fees	\$93,465	\$56,063	\$53,675	\$29,783
Town Conveyance Tax	\$223,056	\$163,337	\$184,601	\$104,805
Copy Fees	\$16,681	\$10,545	\$10,871	\$4,987
Vitals Fees	\$20,592	\$17,581	\$14,582	\$6,343
Total Recorded Pages	12,125	6,457	7,994	4,404
Number of Volumes	10.3	5.9	6.8	3.7

In addition, state fees collected and transmitted through 12-31-24 include: recording - \$48,195; conveyance tax - \$334,863.84 and marriage licenses - \$2,482.

OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26

1. Apply for a targeted grant under the Historic Document Preservation Grant Program to continue adding records into online land records database.
2. Continue to utilize town website to provide additional information for our residents and customers.
3. Prepare for 2025 Municipal Election, new tabulators and new state system for voter registration and absentee ballots.
4. Enhance proficiency of the staff through education and the use of technology.

	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Town Clerk	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Deputy Town Clerk	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Assistant Town Clerk	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54
TOTAL	2.54	2.54	2.54	2.54

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026	DEPT: 4147			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: TOWN CLERK	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$158,975	\$164,179	\$169,659	\$93,870	\$168,707	51610 FULL TIME	\$168,707	\$168,707	\$168,707	
\$23,228	\$26,980	\$33,178	\$16,287	\$33,178	51620 PART TIME	\$35,251	\$35,251	\$35,251	
\$12,841	\$13,170	\$13,631	\$7,493	\$13,241	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$13,647	\$13,647	\$13,647	
\$18,051	\$18,385	\$18,539	\$10,571	\$18,011	52300 RETIREMENT	\$18,454	\$18,454	\$18,454	
\$213,095	\$222,713	\$235,007	\$128,221	\$233,137	SUB TOTAL	\$236,059	\$236,059	\$236,059	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$665	\$604	\$900	\$57	\$900	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$900	\$900	\$900	
\$263	\$23	\$1,918	\$403	\$1,918	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$1,983	\$1,983	\$1,983	
\$928	\$627	\$2,818	\$460	\$2,818	SUB TOTAL	\$2,883	\$2,883	\$2,883	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	54100 TELEPHONE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$61	\$0	\$301	\$0	\$301	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$301	\$301	\$301	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	54400 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$13,360	\$14,536	\$15,180	\$15,030	\$15,180	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$16,762	\$16,762	\$16,762	
\$1,322	\$989	\$2,895	\$685	\$2,895	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$3,335	\$3,335	\$3,335	
\$5,263	\$5,449	\$6,296	\$6,046	\$6,296	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$6,548	\$6,548	\$6,548	
\$20,006	\$20,974	\$24,672	\$21,760	\$24,672	SUB TOTAL	\$26,946	\$26,946	\$26,946	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$970	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$970	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$234,999	\$244,314	\$262,497	\$150,441	\$260,627	GRAND TOTAL	\$265,888	\$265,888	\$265,888	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION		4151	
EXPLANATION: The Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) consists of 5 members and 3 alternate members appointed by the Town Council for 3 year terms. The PZC prepares and updates the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations. The PZC administers land use applications for residential, commercial and industrial development, including special use permits, site plans, subdivisions, resubdivision, zoning map amendments and regulation text amendments, as well as recommendations on various referrals. Included in the budget is attendance at seminars, annual meeting, printing of revised regulations and legal noticing of hearings and decisions.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES State mandates include updating the POCD, collection of State application fee payments to fund DEEP and providing ten percent of all housing stock as affordable housing. All of the strict procedures for processing zoning (special use permit and site plan), subdivision/resubdivision, zoning map amendments and text amendments are controlled by the Connecticut General Statutes, including requirements for publishing of legal notices for hearings and decisions.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF CALENDAR YEAR 2024 1 PZC held 20 meetings. 2 Approved 13 Site Plans. 3 Approved 10 Special Use Permits. 4 Approved 2 Zoning Regulation Text Amendments. 5 Creation of Transit Oriented Development District				
OBJECTIVES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025 1 Continue implementation of action plan of the adopted 2019-2029 POCD. 2 Promote well-planned economic development that enhances the community. Update Regulations in compliance with Connecticut General Statutes. 3 Continue to support ZEO with handling zoning issues and work with residents to resolve situations while upholding the Zoning Regulations and POCD. 4 Review zoning for town design districts 5 Discuss future plans for 1599 Foxon Rd) and Northford Center				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Secretary for commission	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Zoning Enforcement Officer (P/T)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4151		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION <u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$3,625	\$4,375	\$7,150	\$3,125	\$6,000	51620 PART TIME	\$7,175	\$7,175	\$7,175	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	51630 OVERTIME	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$104	\$140	\$104	\$45	\$90	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$203	\$203	\$203	
\$77	\$71	\$0	\$0	\$99	52300 RETIREMENT	\$99	\$99	\$99	
\$3,805	\$4,585	\$7,254	\$3,170	\$6,090	SUB TOTAL	\$7,378	\$7,378	\$7,477	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$0	\$0	\$20	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS	\$20	\$20	\$20	
\$0	\$0	\$120	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$120	\$120	\$120	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$810	\$1,850	\$1,500	\$1,475	\$2,000	55400 ADVERTISING	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$405	\$130	\$300	\$45	\$45	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$300	\$300	\$300	
\$201	\$0	\$549	\$0	\$0	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$549	\$549	\$549	
\$1,416	\$1,980	\$2,349	\$1,520	\$2,045	SUB TOTAL	\$2,349	\$2,349	\$2,349	
\$5,221	\$6,565	\$9,723	\$4,690	\$8,135	GRAND TOTAL	\$9,847	\$9,847	\$9,946	

ANNUAL BUDGET

FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	PLANNING DEPARTMENT	4153

EXPLANATION:

The Planning Department is responsible for administrative and technical assistance to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Conservation and Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency, Agriculture Commission and Land Preservation Committee. The Department also provides staff support to other town boards, commissions and departments, and provides enforcement/interpretation of zoning, subdivision and wetland regulations. The Department is responsible for record keeping and processing of land use applications, and reporting to local, regional, State and Federal offices.

IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES

State mandates include the collection of State fee for municipal land use applications and reporting to DEEP on certain applications.

HIGHLIGHTS OF CALENDAR YEAR 2024

- 1 Created Transit Oriented District and worked with SCRCOG on Northford Center plan
- 2 Department reviewed and processed 5 Inland Wetland Agency applications
- 3 Town Planner acted as staff for The CIWWA, ZBA and Planning and Zoning Commissions.
- 4 Issued zoning permits, investigated complaints/violations, answered hundreds of questions and completed numerous site visits.
- 5 Began enforcing Blight Ordinance

OBJECTIVES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025

- 1 Continue to implement actions and goals from 2019-2029 Plan of Conservation & Development.
- 2 Provide technical information and assistance to the public regarding land use issues and required application process for development permit approvals.
- 3 Provide guidance for businesses that are looking to expand or new businesses that are coming into Town.
- 4 Provide technical assistance to the EDC.
- 5 Continue technical staff support to the various Town commissions, agencies, and departments.
- 6 Continue to utilize Town website to provide information on land use, wetlands, conservation issues, applications, meeting schedules, agendas and minutes.
- 7 Assist with SCRCOG grant and apply for new grants
- 8 Continue working on Sustainable CT plan

<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Town Planner	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Secretary	<u>0.33</u>	<u>0.33</u>	<u>0.33</u>	<u>0.33</u>
TOTAL	1.33	1.33	1.33	1.33

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4153		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: PLANNING DEPARTMENT		2025-2026		
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$70,419	\$107,883	\$111,807	\$62,011	\$108,554	51610 FULL TIME	\$112,343	\$112,343	\$112,343	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	51630 OVERTIME	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$5,278	\$8,205	\$8,707	\$4,723	\$8,443	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$8,733	\$8,733	\$8,733	
\$1,919	\$7,308	\$12,294	\$6,657	\$11,750	52300 RETIREMENT	\$12,091	\$12,091	\$12,091	
\$77,615	\$123,395	\$132,808	\$73,391	\$128,747	SUB TOTAL	\$133,167	\$133,167	\$133,167	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$13	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$432	\$771	\$443	(\$227)	\$425	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$443	\$443	\$443	
\$445	\$771	\$643	(\$227)	\$425	SUB TOTAL	\$643	\$643	\$643	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$59	\$490	\$288	\$268	\$270	54100 TELEPHONE	\$288	\$288	\$0	
\$0	\$16	\$0	(\$16)	\$4,125	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$4,125	\$4,125	\$4,125	
\$75	\$666	\$1,090	\$0	\$1,000	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$1,090	\$1,090	\$1,090	
\$0	\$0	\$2,725	\$0	\$1,500	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$850	\$850	\$850	
\$134	\$1,172	\$4,103	\$251	\$6,895	SUB TOTAL	\$6,353	\$6,353	\$6,065	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	401 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$78,195	\$125,338	\$137,554	\$73,415	\$136,067	GRAND TOTAL	\$140,163	\$140,163	\$139,875	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY			DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS			4155
EXPLANATION: The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) operates pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §8-5, consisting of 5 regular and 3 alternate members, serving 3 year terms each as appointed by the Town Council. All ZBA decisions require no less than 4 affirmative votes. All ZBA matters are conducted in a public hearing format. The ZBA considers: applications for "variance" seeking relief from the zoning regulations; applications for the "location of motor vehicle repair shops"; and applications "appealing" determinations of the Zoning Enforcement Officer.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES Included in the budget are funds for required publishing of legal notices of hearings and decisions.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF CALENDAR YEAR 2024 1 The ZBA held 8 meetings. 2 6 Variance applications were approved				
OBJECTIVES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025 1 Continue means for zoning regulation relief for residential, commercial and industrial development consistent within the goals and objectives of the 2019-2029 Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD). 2 Maintain close working relationship with the PZC and staff. 3 Continue to assist the PZC in formulating amendments to the zoning regulations. 4 Continue zoning efforts to manage and guide economic growth. 5 Continue to enforce Zoning Regulations protecting the general health, safety, and welfare of residents, property owners and businesses.				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Secretary for Agency	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET										
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4155			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>					
\$1,300	\$500	\$1,500	\$325	\$600	51620 PART TIME		\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	
\$34	\$7	\$96	\$5	\$46	52200 PENSION & SOCIAL SECURITY		\$92	\$92	\$92	
\$23	\$0	\$108	\$0	\$54	52300 RETIREMENT		\$108	\$108	\$108	
\$1,356	\$507	\$1,704	\$330	\$30	SUB TOTAL		\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$0	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES		\$50	\$50	\$50	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL		\$50	\$50	\$50	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>					
\$1,091	\$900	\$900	\$627	\$800	55400 ADVERTISING		\$900	\$900	\$900	
\$110	\$130	\$300	\$0	\$0	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT		\$300	\$300	\$300	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$1,201	\$1,030	\$1,200	\$627	\$800	SUB TOTAL		\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE	4157
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>This account provides the funds to pay the premiums on various types of municipal insurance for General Liability, (which included Firefighters Errors & Omissions, Ambulance Malpractice Liability) Automobile Liability, Umbrella Liability, Public Officials Liability, Police Professional Liability, Boiler & Machinery Insurance and bonds.</p> <p>Funding for the amount needed to meet the deductibles for self-insurance claims varies each year. Funds are budgeted to maintain a reserve account.</p> <p>The Central Services Department administers the risk management functions for the Town.</p> <p>IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES</p> <p>The legal accountability placed on town offices has resulted in mandated bonding for specific Town positions. Safety Committees are now mandated by the Workers' Compensation Commissioner.</p> <p>HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25</p> <p>Held quarterly meetings so the Safety Committee can comply with State requirements</p> <p>Reviewed claims, had discussion with employees or administrators to see if they were preventable, or what could be done to prevent future accidents.</p> <p>Attended PRIMA Zoom Conference with a scholarship awarded to the Risk Manager to be updated with current laws for towns and schools on liability exposure and other related issues, especially cyber related issues.</p> <p>OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26</p> <p>To utilize claim review on employees injuries to reduce claims and loss time, increase of premiums and increase safety awareness.</p> <p>More training for individual departments to meet their mandated requirements either through Travelers or other means.</p> <p>Assist other departments in any claims that may arise and be sure employees return to work as soon as possible if there is a loss of time.</p>		

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4157		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION			2024-25		ACTIVITY: PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	TOWN MEETING ADOPTED
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$175	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$200	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES 53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$200	\$200	\$200	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$250	\$250	\$250	
\$175	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$450	SUB TOTAL	\$450	\$450	\$450	
\$341,684	\$370,433	\$429,547	\$457,150	\$490,074	55200 INSURANCE	\$535,630	\$510,630	\$510,630	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	PROBATE COURT	4161
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>The North Branford Probate Court has the principal responsibility of administering decedents' estates in accordance with State Statutes.</p> <p>IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES</p> <p>All of the activities of the Probate Court are directed by State Statutes.</p> <p>During the 2010-11 fiscal year, pursuant to state statutes, the North Branford Probate Court and Branford Probate Court merged to form the Branford/North Branford Probate Court. It is located in the Branford Town Hall. The Town of Branford will invoice North Branford a pro-rata share of certain costs - based on the two towns' Net Taxable Grand List.</p>		

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

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ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	CONSERVATION & INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY		4163	
EXPLANATION: The Conservation and Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency (CIWWA) operates under provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes Chapter 440. CIWWA consists of 5 regular and 2 alternate members, 1 of each being from the Planning and Zoning Commission and the balance being public members, all appointed by the Town Council. The "Wetlands Agency" protects wetlands and watercourses, and associated upland review area lands within 100 feet (within 200 feet of Farm River), and reviews and may issue permits for regulated activities affecting areas designated as wetlands, watercourses and upland review area. The "Conservation Agency" is responsible for updating the open space plan, maintaining inventory records regarding all open space lands, and promoting conservation related programs. Included in the budget are funds for membership in conservation and wetlands associations and attendance at seminars and annual meetings.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES State mandates include the collection of State fee for municipal land use applications and submission of DEEP reporting forms on all actions of the Agency. The CIWWA is created and acts in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes requirements.				
HIGHLIGHTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024 1 Approved 11 Wetland Permit applications. 2 Duly authorized Wetland Agent Approvals - Approved 4 Wetland Permit applications. 3 Created "protect our wetlands" Brochure				
OBJECTIVES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025 1 Work to complete initiatives listed in the 2019-2029 POCD. 2 Assist NRCS and Friends of the Farm River and Estuary implement the Farm River Watershed Protection Plan. 3 Keep Town Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations current and in accordance with updated Connecticut General Statutes requirements. 4 Provide training for Agency members and staff regarding current wetlands/watercourses best management practices, case law and applicable statutes. 5 Educate residents, property owners and community organizations on the importance and need for protection of wetlands and watercourses. 6 Work with the North Branford Land Conservation Trust to protect wetlands and watercourses within the Town as part of open space preservation efforts. 7 Educate applicants about restrictions and permit regulations to avoid encroachments and adverse impacts to wetlands and watercourses.				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
Secretary for Agency (part time)	<u>AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
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FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026	DEPT: 4163			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: CONSERVATION & INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$900	\$200	\$1,800	\$475	\$850	51620 PART TIME	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$19	\$3	\$26	\$7	\$15	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$22	\$22	\$22	
\$9	\$0	\$135	\$0	\$0	52300 RETIREMENT	\$135	\$135	\$135	
\$928	\$203	\$1,961	\$482	\$865.	SUB TOTAL	\$1,657	\$1,657	\$1,657	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$75	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS	\$75	\$75	\$75	
\$0	\$0	\$75	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$75	\$75	\$75	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$440	\$900	\$1,250	\$300	\$600	55400 ADVERTISING	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$1,250	
\$0	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$50	\$50	\$50	
\$0	\$65	\$215	\$0	\$0	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$215	\$215	\$215	
\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$1,940	\$2,465	\$3,015	\$1,800	\$2,100	SUB TOTAL	\$3,015	\$3,015	\$3,015	
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ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION		4177	
EXPLANATION: The Economic Development Commission consists of 5 members appointed by the Town Council for a 5-year term. The Commission's purpose to provide policy advice on the promotion and development of the business and industrial resources of the Town. Included in the budget are funds for clerical assistance to the Commission.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES State mandates have no direct impact on the activities of this Commission.				
HIGHLIGHTS FOR FY 2024-25 1. Held North Branford's first-ever Restaurant Month to promoted restaurants in town. 2. Established connections between school district and manufacturers in Town to aid workforce development. 3. Established community advocacy group focused on promoting development.				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26 1. Update EDC webpage 2. Work to identify needs of agricultural community 3. Finish draft of formal development plan.				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Commission Clerk	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Coordinator	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

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FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026		DEPT: 4177		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$11,750	\$925	\$1,350	\$275	\$1,050	51620 PART TIME	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$1,350	
\$237	\$70	\$103	\$21	\$80	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$103	\$103	\$103	
\$59	\$92	\$122	\$28	\$95	52300 RETIREMENT	\$122	\$122	\$122	
\$12,046	\$1,088	\$1,575	\$324	\$1,225	SUB TOTAL	\$1,575	\$1,575	\$1,575	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$1,335	\$182	\$1,000	\$14	\$182	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$49	\$0	\$1,600	\$0	\$0	56300 FOOD	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$1,384	\$182	\$2,600	\$14	\$182	SUB TOTAL	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,600	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	54100 TELEPHONE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$1,653	\$2,500	\$0	\$1,030	55500 PRINTING AND BINDING	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$368	\$368	55400 ADVERTISING	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$0	\$595	\$695	\$0	\$0	58910 CONTRIBUTIONS & SUBSIDIES	\$1,095	\$1,095	\$1,095	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55301 POSTAGE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$878	\$88	\$1,000	\$0	\$188	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$5,114	\$3,381	\$2,240	\$2,061	\$1,861	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$2,459	\$2,459	\$2,459	
\$5,992	\$5,716	\$7,435	\$2,429	\$3,447	SUB TOTAL	\$8,054	\$8,054	\$8,054	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57300 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$19,421	\$6,986	\$11,610	\$2,767	\$4,853	GRAND TOTAL	\$12,229	\$12,229	\$12,229	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	ELECTIONS		4197	
EXPLANATION:				
The Office of the Registrars of Voters is established and largely governed by the State of Connecticut. The responsibilities of the voting process and ensuring the rights of the electorate are fundamental in a democracy. The Registrars are responsible for maintenance of the records of all registered voters, as well as supervision and training of poll workers and preparation for primaries, special referenda and general elections.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES				
All the operations of this department are mandated and regulated by state and federal law.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF YEAR 2024-25				
1. We successfully brought in early voting to the Town of North Branford with a great team of individuals.				
2. The number of registered voters continuously is reduced due to our annual canvass				
3. Our current numbers of registered voters as of 1/28/25, is 9998, D-2227, R-2829, U-4799, O-143				
4. We were able to hold a voter session at the High School in the fall where we answered questions and registered those who were eligible				
5. We held a supervised voting session at Evergreen Woods for our voters				
Date of Election	November 2, 2021	November 8, 2022	November 7, 2023	November 5, 2024
Total Registered voters	9,653	9,231	9,377	10,080
Type of Election	Municipal	Gubernatorial	Municipal	Presidential
Percentage of voter turnout	21%	66%	24%	85%
OBJECTIVES FY 2025-26				
1. Continue to recruit poll workers, moderators and personnel for elections and for the numerous early voting sessions ahead				
2. Rolling out the new DS300 tabulators and educating our staff on triage and use of these new machines on arrival				
3. Conduct annual voter canvass as required by C.G.S 9-32. This expense has been reduced considerably by using the NCOA, which focuses on those electors who have provided their information to the USPS				
4. Our objective is to obtain and certify at least two additional Moderators for future elections and continue to recruit staff				
5. Attend Spring and Fall conferences to satisfy educational requirements or seek other opportunities to do so				
6. Update our webpage to provide information to the public				
PERSONNEL	2024-25 AUTHORIZED	2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED	2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED	2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED
Registrars (part time)	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Numerous other part time as required.				

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FUNCTION: GENERAL GOVERNMENT					2025-2026	DEPT: 4197			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: ELECTIONS	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL APPROVED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$40,162	\$47,959	\$88,895	\$60,069	\$87,000	51620 PART TIME	\$55,510	\$55,510	\$55,510	
\$589	\$706	\$1,289	\$882	\$1,289	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$805	\$805	\$805	
\$10	\$16	\$0	\$16	\$16	52300 RETIREMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$40,762	\$48,680	\$90,184	\$60,967	\$88,305	SUB TOTAL	\$56,315	\$56,315	\$56,315	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$0	\$61	\$0	\$0	\$0	56100 GENERAL SUPPLIES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$80	\$255	\$500	\$0	\$150	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$716	\$2,149	\$1,450	\$1,529	\$2,150	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$3,765	\$3,765	\$3,765	
\$1,017	\$1,085	\$3,700	\$1,327	\$1,600	56300 FOOD	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	210 EQUIPMENT PARTS	\$250	\$250	\$250	
\$1,813	\$3,549	\$5,650	\$2,856	\$3,900	SUB TOTAL	\$6,315	\$6,315	\$6,315	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$471	\$470	\$480	-\$234	\$0	54100 TELEPHONE	\$480	\$480	\$480	
\$11,840	\$8,905	\$12,575	\$14,912	\$12,500	55500 PRINTING AND BINDING	\$17,850	\$17,850	\$17,850	
\$826	\$639	\$1,050	\$863	\$1,050	55400 ADVERTISING	\$1,050	\$1,050	\$1,050	
\$0	\$13	\$77	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$81	\$81	\$81	
\$87	\$0	\$320	\$0	\$320	55301 POSTAGE	\$400	\$400	\$400	
\$2,120	\$2,120	\$5,685	\$0	\$5,685	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$6,411	\$6,411	\$6,411	
\$221	\$792	\$0	\$2,094	\$2,094	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$140	\$470	\$2,168	\$170	\$250	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$2,168	\$2,168	\$2,168	
\$1,309	\$284	\$2,082	\$155	\$1,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$2,260	\$2,260	\$2,260	
\$17,015	\$13,693	\$24,437	\$17,960	\$22,899	SUB TOTAL	\$30,700	\$30,700	\$30,700	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$59,589	\$65,922	\$120,271	\$81,783	\$115,104	GRAND TOTAL	\$93,330	\$93,330	\$93,330	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4199
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>Employee benefits include funds for Town paid premiums for health and life insurance, contributions to the Town and Police Pension, workers' compensation insurance, and employer payments to Social Security for full time and part time employees. Full-time employees of the Department of Public Works, the Library Union and non-union Administrators are covered by the Teamsters Health Plan. Members of the Police Union and Clerical Union are covered by the State of Connecticut's Partnership 2.0 Plan.</p> <p>The Town sponsors three defined benefit pension plans and two defined contribution plans for its employees and volunteer fire / ambulance personnel. The budgeted amounts for the defined benefits plans are based on estimates provided by the Town's actuaries. All municipal (non-Police or Teachers) hired since 1999 are covered by a Defined Contribution Pension Plan. All Police officers hired since 2015 are covered by a Defined Contribution Pension Plan.</p> <p>IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES</p> <p>The Employee benefits budget is affected by State and Federal mandates regarding social security, Medicare, and unemployment taxes. In addition, the Federal and State Family Leave Acts mandate that the Town continue benefits coverage for employees for a period of up to 16 weeks following qualifying events. Federal legislation (COBRA laws) governs the amount of time that the Town must include terminated employees in its benefits risk pool.</p> <p>**It is important to notes that as the population of active employees in the Town Employee's Pension Plan continues to decline, the Actuarially Determined Employer's Contribution (ADEC) [f/k/a Annual Required Contribution ARC] becomes extraordinarily high on a percentage of payroll basis. As a result, to continue to show this in the five departments with members in the DB plan would improperly reflect the true cost of the department's operation. Therefore, the employer's share of the DB plan is now reflected in the Benefits Section of the Annual Budget in Department 4199.</p>		

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FUNCTION: BENEFITS, INSURANCE AND OTHER					2025-2026	DEPT: 4199			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>MEDICAL</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55990 AGENT OF RECORD/HEALTH INS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$1,561,034	\$1,713,764	\$1,899,356	\$1,074,232	\$1,900,000	52800 HEALTH INSURANCES	\$2,168,046	\$2,168,046	\$2,168,046	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	721 HEALTH INSURANCES - RISK FUNDING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$46,143	\$47,217	\$55,040	\$28,790	\$50,000	52850 DENTAL ASO PREMIUMS & CLAIMS	\$46,111	\$46,111	\$46,111	
\$1,607,177	\$1,760,981	\$1,954,396	\$1,103,022	\$1,950,000	SUB TOTAL	\$2,214,157	\$2,214,157	\$2,214,157	
					<u>WORKERS' COMPENSATION</u>				
\$403,534	\$437,289	\$540,421	\$347,588	\$348,000	52700 WORKERS' COMPENSATION	\$428,017	\$428,017	\$428,017	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	MIRMA ASSESSMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$403,534	\$437,289	\$540,421	\$347,588	\$348,000	SUB TOTAL	\$428,017	\$428,017	\$428,017	
					<u>MISCELLANEOUS MEDICAL</u>				
\$3,333	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	53010 MEDICAL - MISCELLANEOUS	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
\$0	(\$990)	\$0	(\$909)	(\$910)	734 VEHICLE USE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$12,136	\$14,531	\$14,366	\$14,366	\$14,366	52950 LONG TERM DISABILITY	\$14,775	\$14,775	\$14,775	
\$3,861	\$4,094	\$3,819	\$3,815	\$3,819	52951 POLICE DISABILITY INSURANCE	\$4,755	\$4,755	\$4,755	
\$19,330	\$17,636	\$20,186	\$17,272	\$17,275	SUB TOTAL	\$21,529	\$21,529	\$21,529	
\$12,380	\$10,698	\$15,781	\$9,291	\$15,781	52902 LIFE INSURANCE	\$15,987	\$15,987	\$15,987	
\$4,222	\$562	\$7,500	\$211	\$1,500	52600 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	
\$38,525	\$33,750	\$39,800	\$32,450	\$39,800	52904 LONGEVITY	\$41,700	\$41,700	\$41,700	
\$86,940	\$54,644	\$100,000	\$36,727	\$75,000	52020 EMPLOYEE LEAVE LIABILITY	\$120,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	
\$142,067	\$100,461	\$163,081	\$78,903	\$132,081	SUB TOTAL	\$185,187	\$165,187	\$165,187	
					<u>PENSION & SOCIAL SECURITY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$59,714	\$0	\$0	52010 DEFERRED COMPENSATION	\$81,495	\$81,495	\$81,495	
\$618,101	\$774,553	\$694,030	\$460,761	\$682,000	52310 TOWN PENSION PLAN - Defined Benefit	\$720,576	\$720,576	\$720,576	
\$29,860	\$9,225	\$213,218	\$7,041	\$15,000	52300 TOWN PENSION PLAN - Defined Contribution	\$223,468	\$212,194	\$212,194	
\$0	\$35,914	\$1,382,646	\$46,963	\$75,000	52320 POLICE PENSION PLAN	\$1,382,646	\$1,382,646	\$1,382,646	
\$0	\$0	\$375,367	\$177	\$1,000	52330 FIRE PENSION PLAN	\$410,637	\$410,637	\$410,637	
\$19,360	\$0	\$580,552	\$0	\$0	52030 SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	\$600,457	\$594,394	\$594,394	
\$0	\$19,861	(\$2,611,497)	(\$15,523)	(\$20,000)	52200 PENSION & SOCIAL SECURITY ALLOCATION	(\$2,698,703)	(\$2,681,366)	-\$2,681,366	
\$667,321	\$839,554	\$694,030	\$499,419	\$753,000	SUB TOTAL	\$720,576	\$720,576	\$720,576	
\$2,839,430	\$3,155,921	\$3,372,114	\$2,046,205	\$3,200,356	GRAND TOTAL	\$3,569,466	\$3,549,466	\$3,549,466	

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FUNCTION:	PUBLIC SAFETY	2025-2026	
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ANNUAL BUDGET					
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY			DEPT NO.	
PUBLIC SAFETY	POLICE			4201	
EXPLANATION:					
The North Branford Police Department has completed fifty-five years of dedicated service to the safety and welfare of our community.					
The Department currently consists of twenty-five sworn officers and is responsible for public safety to ensure a better quality of life.					
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES					
The North Branford Police Department is heavily regulated by State Statute and State mandates. Each Officer is mandated to attend 60 hours of review training to keep their certification in the State of Connecticut. The cost of these mandates has dramatically increased each year. State of Connecticut has further increased the cost for training officers.					
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 24-25					
24-25 Fiscal year was exciting with the move into the new North Branford Police Department as well as implementation of new radio system. There were many challenges with the construction and move in process and we continue to work through a punch list.					
Fiscally staffing was a challenge with 5 officer vacancies throughout the year due to injuries					
In the process of reorganization within the department and increasing technology capabilities.					
MAJOR BUDGET CHANGES FOR 2025-26					
1. Contractual Salary increases of Union Collective Bargaining Contract					
2. Estimating Contractual Services and cost of New Facility					
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26					
1. Tier 2 and Tier 3 Accrediation will be in May 2025					
2. Continue certified training as mandated by the State of Connecticut for all Police Officers.					
3. Create Community engagement Opportunities in New Police Facility					
4. Complete reorganization for an efficient depolyment of services and personnel					
PERSONNEL:					
	2024-25	2025-26	2025-26	2025-26	2025-26
	AUTHORIZED	DEPARTMENT	BOARD OF POLICE	MANAGER	COUNCIL
Administration		REQUESTED	COMMISSIONERS	PROPOSED	APPROVED
Chief of Police	1	1	1	1	1
Deputy Chief of Police	1	1	1	1	1
Lieutenant	1	1	1	1	1
Patrol					
Sergeants	6	7	7	7	7
Corporals	3	2	2	2	2
Police Officers	13	14	14	14	14
Investigation					
Sergeants	0	0	0	0	0
Detective/DARE/Youth Officer	2	2	2	2	2
Support Services					
Integrated Operations Manager	1	1	1	1	1
Secretary	1	1	1	1	1
TOTALS	29	30	30	30	30
(part-time commission secretary)	1	1	1	1	1

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FUNCTION: PUBLIC SAFETY					2024-2025		DEPT: 4201			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2023-24			ACTIVITY: POLICE & COMMUNICATIONS		2024-2025			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	Combined BUDGETED	ACTUAL \$45,688	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER APPROVED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED	
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>					
\$2,290,382	\$2,486,065	\$2,740,300	\$1,453,217	\$2,752,878	51610 FULL TIME	\$2,966,347	\$2,966,347	\$2,966,347		
\$12,565	\$1,325	\$1,500	\$9,543	\$20,000	51620 PART TIME	\$24,311	\$24,311	\$24,311		
\$404,733	\$483,728	\$454,466	\$301,993	\$500,000	51630 OVER TIME	\$520,171	\$512,171	\$512,171		
\$101,628	\$100,216	\$125,355	\$69,092	\$125,619	51910 CONTRACTUAL HOLIDAY PAY	\$137,064	\$137,064	\$137,064		
\$9,889	\$10,294	\$15,649	\$8,940	\$15,689	51610-1 STRAIGHT TIME TRAINING	\$16,476	\$16,476	\$16,476		
\$212,808	\$234,737	\$273,117	\$167,494	\$274,538	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$296,928	\$296,928	\$296,928		
\$998,088	\$1,061,962	\$1,172,013	\$582,506	\$1,310,135	52300 RETIREMENT	\$1,419,274	\$1,409,274	\$1,359,274		
\$4,030,093	\$4,378,327	\$4,782,400	\$2,592,786	\$4,998,859	SUB TOTAL	\$5,380,571	\$5,362,571	\$5,312,571		
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>					
\$3,502	\$907	\$4,266	\$10	\$4,200	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$4,232	\$4,232	\$4,232		
\$18,847	\$55,450	\$35,218	\$13,042	\$25,000	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$32,256	\$32,256	\$32,256		
\$0	\$11,615	\$250	\$0	\$250	54900 UNIFORMS & CLOTHING	\$250	\$250	\$250		
\$1,147	\$1,853	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600	56300 FOOD	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000		
\$3,397	\$5,143	\$13,600	\$10,000	\$14,000	56240 HEATING FUEL	\$18,160	\$18,160	\$18,160		
\$81,744	\$64,573	\$76,730	\$65,418	\$76,730	56260 MOTOR FUEL & LUBRICANTS	\$76,730	\$76,730	\$68,892		
\$906	\$1,135	\$1,200	\$0	\$1,200	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,650		
\$109,543	\$140,675	\$132,864	\$90,069	\$122,980	SUB TOTAL	\$135,278	\$135,278	\$127,440		
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>					
\$41,937	\$62,569	\$42,600	\$35,388	\$42,600	54100 TELEPHONE	\$51,120	\$51,120	\$51,120		
\$16,341	\$11,905	\$46,480	\$26,983	\$48,000	56220 UTILITIES	\$49,600	\$49,600	\$49,600		
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$300	\$300	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$500	\$500	\$500		
\$497	\$0	\$500	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$500	\$500	\$500		
\$35,227	\$45,860	\$56,270	\$33,639	\$56,000	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$60,520	\$60,520	\$60,520		
\$2,803	\$9,087	\$400	\$385	\$1,400	54301 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$39,530	\$39,530	\$37,530		
\$50,400	\$49,012	\$0	\$0	\$0	54400 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$59,120	\$51,988	\$70,650	\$51,380	\$65,000	51900 UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$69,830	\$69,830	\$69,830		
\$54,198	\$59,798	\$69,488	\$40,705	\$65,000	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$84,175	\$84,175	\$84,175		
\$63,927	\$98,420	\$102,594	\$48,577	\$89,000	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$106,064	\$93,989	\$93,989		
\$59,515	\$105,648	\$129,235	\$59,089	\$105,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$142,793	\$142,793	\$142,793		
\$383,965	\$494,287	\$518,717	\$296,446	\$472,300	SUB TOTAL	\$604,632	\$592,557	\$590,557		
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>					
\$3,411	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57201 BUILDING EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57320 AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$60,489	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57300 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$0	\$50,342	\$0	(\$6,526)	\$0	57390 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$63,900	\$50,342	\$0	(\$6,526)	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0		
\$4,587,501	\$5,063,631	\$5,433,981	\$2,972,775	\$5,594,139	GRAND TOTAL	\$6,120,481	\$6,090,406	\$6,030,568		

ANNUAL BUDGET

FUNCTION:	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
PUBLIC SAFETY	FIRE DEPARTMENT	4203

EXPLANATION

The North Branford Fire Department is dedicated to provide emergency and non-emergency customer service response to the citizens and visitors of this town. This service is provided to the community with the highest level of compassion and professionalism through a "A Tradition Of Pride". Over the last 90 years, the North Branford Fire Department has evolved into an all-hazards response agency. We provide fire suppression, fire prevention, inspection and investigation; emergency medical services; technical rescue operations and hazardous material response. North Branford Fire Department is composed of roughly 125 active members. During fiscal year 2022-23 the department answered 1,962 alarms.

ACTIVITY ANALYSIS	<u>FY 2020-21</u>	<u>FY 2021-22</u>	<u>FY 2022-23</u>	<u>FY 2023-24</u>
Fire Response	594	458	425	531
Rescue & EMS	<u>1,498</u>	<u>1,555</u>	<u>1,537</u>	<u>1,687</u>
TOTAL	2,092	2,013	1,962	2,218

IMPACT OF STATE AND FEDERAL MANDATES

Fire marshal (s) must attend 90 hours of continuing education every three years to maintain State certification, and all Paramedics, Emergency Medical Technicians and Emergency Medical Responders must attend refreshers to maintain state certifications. The Department and all members must meet minimum requirements set forth by CONN-OSHA for firefighting personnel; equipment to meet NFPA and ISO requirements; apparatus to be inspected as per federal DOT regulations. Structural firefighting PPE must comply with NFPA/OSHA

HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25

Implemented new 700/800 MHz town-wide radio system, along with the Police Department & Public Works
Continued to provide high quality customer service and patient care to our residents and those who pass through our town.

OBJECTIVES FOR 2025-26

Explore the use of technology to enhance the recordkeeping aspect of our activities.
Continue to recognize our members for all their efforts - big or small - to maintain our volunteer fire department

PERSONNEL	2024-25	2025-26	2025-26	2025-26
<u>INCLUDES VOLUNTEERS</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>	<u>DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Fire Chief	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Deputy Chief of Administration	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Deputy Chief of Operations	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Deputy Chief of Support Services	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Fire Marshal	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Deputy Fire Marshal	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Board Clerk	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Fire Engineers	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Captains (inc. Fire Police)	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Lieutenants	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0
Firefighters	<u>98.0</u>	<u>98.0</u>	<u>98.0</u>	<u>98.0</u>
Total	127.0	127.0	127.0	127.0

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FUNCTION: PUBLIC SAFETY					2025-2026		DEPT: 4203			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: FIRE DEPARTMENT		2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL</u>					
\$118,486	\$131,310	\$184,216	\$98,445	\$175,000	51620 PART TIME		\$195,154	\$195,154	\$195,154	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	51630 OVERTIME		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$2,746	\$2,775	\$4,222	\$2,037	\$4,220	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY		\$4,566	\$4,566	\$4,566	
\$275,731	\$423,213	\$340,307	\$219,921	\$410,000	52300 RETIREMENT		\$410,637	\$410,637	\$410,637	
\$396,964	\$557,298	\$528,745	\$320,402	\$589,220	SUB TOTAL		\$610,357	\$610,357	\$610,357	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>					
\$53	\$72	\$250	\$170	\$250	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES		\$250	\$250	\$250	
\$70,636	\$46,657	\$55,000	\$37,737	\$55,000	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES		\$57,000	\$57,000	\$57,000	
\$2,036	\$1,722	\$2,700	\$551	\$1,800	54900 UNIFORMS & CLOTHING		\$2,700	\$2,700	\$2,700	
\$131	\$1,206	\$2,500	\$0	\$1,500	56300 FOOD		\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	
\$20,351	\$16,212	\$14,207	\$10,000	\$15,000	56240 HEATING OIL		\$12,091	\$12,091	\$11,725	
\$634	\$4,356	\$7,500	\$6,945	\$5,000	56210 NATURAL GAS		\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	
\$17,601	\$19,862	\$16,407	\$13,735	\$16,000	56260 MOTOR FUEL & LUBRICANTS		\$15,243	\$15,243	\$14,307	
\$0	\$1,129	\$200	\$0	\$200	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS		\$200	\$200	\$200	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$0	\$250	56910 OTHER MATERIALS		\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$111,441	\$91,215	\$99,264	\$69,137	\$95,000	SUB TOTAL		\$97,984	\$97,984	\$96,682	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>					
\$16,242	\$17,627	\$18,613	\$8,360	\$18,500	54100 TELEPHONE		\$20,053	\$18,613	\$11,613	
\$16,787	\$11,682	\$11,932	\$22,584	\$15,000	56220 UTILITIES		\$13,290	\$13,290	\$13,290	
\$3,231	\$2,629	\$3,000	\$3,181	\$4,500	54411 WATER/SEWER		\$4,550	\$4,550	\$4,550	
\$0	\$157	\$700	\$657	\$600	55500 PRINTING & BINDING		\$700	\$700	\$700	
\$0	\$305	\$67	\$0	\$0	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION		\$67	\$67	\$67	
\$81,119	\$57,936	\$80,000	\$43,007	\$75,000	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE		\$85,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	
\$408	\$3,200	\$2,000	\$0	\$1,800	54301 FACILITY MAINTENANCE		\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
\$0	\$0	\$1,389	\$0	\$0	54400 EQUIPMENT RENTAL		\$1,389	\$1,389	\$750	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	51900 UNIFORM ALLOWANCE		\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$80,638	\$82,919	\$86,075	\$113,899	\$86,075	54410 BUILDING RENTAL		\$88,228	\$88,228	\$91,828	
\$27,993	\$19,655	\$34,950	\$15,339	\$34,000	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT		\$34,450	\$34,450	\$34,450	
\$55,428	\$89,804	\$109,544	\$74,290	\$110,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL		\$139,594	\$119,594	\$112,594	
\$281,846	\$285,913	\$348,370	\$281,316	\$345,575	SUB TOTAL		\$389,421	\$362,981	\$351,942	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$250	\$0	\$250	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT		\$250	\$250	\$250	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57200 BUILDING EQUIPMENT		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57320 AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$16,845	\$3,434	\$25,000	\$24,068	\$25,000	57300 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$37,000	
\$88,842	\$8,164	\$25,250	\$24,068	\$25,250	SUB TOTAL		\$50,250	\$50,250	\$37,250	
\$879,092	\$942,591	\$1,001,629	\$694,924	\$1,055,045	TOTAL		\$1,148,012	\$1,121,572	\$1,096,231	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
PUBLIC SAFETY	AMBULANCE	4209
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>During 2003-04, the issue of volunteer manpower for the fire department's ambulance became an issue that the Town Council got involved with. A sub-committee was formed to determine the best way to deliver ambulance service to the residents of North Branford. It was decided that contracting an outside entity to provide labor to staff the Nbfd ambulance was the best means of addressing the problem. The only question is how much financial impact will this additional cost have on the Ambulance Service Fund (fund 2828). Additionally, during fiscal year 2010-11, a service upgrade to advance life support was implemented. Based on a preliminary budget, it appears that \$950,000 of General Fund money will be needed in the 2025-26 fiscal year. This was subsequently reduced by the Town Manager & Town Council. A decision was made, based on increased call volume, to staff a second paramedic level ambulance as of July 1, 2022. The net cost of this - after anticipated additional billing revenue - is \$300,000.</p> <p>HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25</p> <p>Continued to work with billing company to collect on delinquent receivable accounts. 3rd Paramedic level ambulance was authorized Long form rate application resulted in billing rate increase, even though the state was not increasing rates statewide</p> <p>OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26</p> <p>Explore possibility of relocating ambulance facility toward the geographic center of the Town, as part of the Town Center Study Committee work</p> <p>PERSONNEL</p> <p>Contract Labor and volunteers</p>		

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FUNCTION:

2025-2026

DEPT: 4209

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FUNCTION PUBLIC SAFETY	ACTIVITY BUILDING DEPARTMENT	DEPT NO. 4213
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EXPLANATION:

The Building Department receives applications for new construction and alterations to residential & commercial buildings, including: roofing, siding plumbing, hearting, demolition, electrical and mechanical proposed by homeowners and contractors. The Department staff reviews each application to ensure conformance with the State of Connecticut Basic Building codes, performs inspection on every phase on construction and assists the public in all building matters

Implemented the 2021 CT Building Code on 10-1-2022

Building Permit Fee Revenues		
<u>Year</u>	<u>Fees Collected</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>
2017-18	\$214,088	\$132,000
2018-19	\$235,843	\$133,500
2019-20	\$220,936	\$180,000
2020-21	\$284,268	\$224,091
2021-22	\$256,761	\$274,600
2022-23	\$268,594	\$211,200
2023-24	\$347,133	\$230,400
5 - Year Average	\$275,538	

HIGHLIGHTS FOR FY 2024-25

- 1 The Building Department issued 1068 permits for the 2023/24 Fiscal year at a construction value of \$29,940,103 collecting \$354,946.00 in fees.
- 2 Hiring of an Assistant Building Official has decreased lead time of inspections and plan review.
- 3 Continuing with issuance of permits and inspections of private and town based projects.
- 4 We are continuing with the organization, microfilming and filing of older documents.

OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26

- 1 Continued focus on customer service, plan review, issuing permits and performing inspections.
- 2 Department will continue to work towards improving the application and inspection process.

<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Building Official	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Building Help (19)	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.00
Secretary	<u>0.34</u>	<u>0.34</u>	<u>0.34</u>	<u>0.34</u>
TOTAL	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.34

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: PUBLIC SAFETY					2025-2026		DEPT: 4213		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: BUILDING DEPARTMENT		2025 - 2026		
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$102,038	\$104,601	\$107,763	\$60,087	\$107,763	51610 FULL TIME	\$108,299	\$108,299	\$108,299	
\$39,320	\$31,360	\$45,361	\$20,270	\$45,361	51620 PART TIME	\$42,088	\$42,088	\$0	
\$8,350	\$8,471	\$9,155	\$4,906	\$9,155	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$9,096	\$9,096	\$8,486	
\$6,666	\$11,156	\$13,013	\$6,397	\$13,013	52300 RETIREMENT	\$12,615	\$12,615	\$12,615	
\$156,374	\$155,589	\$175,292	\$91,661	\$175,292	SUB TOTAL	\$172,098	\$172,098	\$129,400	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$48	\$0	\$500	\$10	\$200	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$0	\$0	\$150	\$0	\$150	54900 UNIFORMS	\$150	\$150	\$150	
\$0	\$0	\$1,130	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS	\$1,130	\$1,130	\$1,130	
\$48	\$0	\$1,780	\$10	\$350	SUB TOTAL	\$1,780	\$1,780	\$1,780	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$769	\$1,129	\$1,200	\$566	\$1,200	54100 TELEPHONE	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$585	\$0	\$300	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$585	\$585	\$585	
\$395	\$655	\$1,350	\$215	\$1,350	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$1,350	
\$8,797	\$10,601	\$19,076	\$9,038	\$19,076	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$27,075	\$19,075	\$19,075	
\$9,961	\$12,386	\$22,211	\$9,819	\$21,926	SUB TOTAL	\$30,210	\$22,210	\$22,210	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57300 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$166,383	\$167,975	\$199,283	\$101,489	\$197,568	GRAND TOTAL	\$204,088	\$196,088	\$153,390	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION: PUBLIC SAFETY	ACTIVITY: ANIMAL CONTROL	DEPT NO. 4215
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>During 2023-24, the Town entered into an agreement with the Town of East Haven to provide Animal Control services. This new arrangement has saved significant funds for the Town.</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL:</u> None, outsourced to East Haven</p>		

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ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.		
PUBLIC SAFETY	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	4223		
EXPLANATION: The part-time Emergency Management Director (EMD) is sworn into position under CT General Statutes Title 28 by the Commissioner of the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. The EMD directs the emergency management program for the town and advises the Town Manager on all emergency management matters. The EMD develops disaster planning, disaster management, and disaster recovery plans outlining strategy, operations and communications associated with each plan. They maintain operational capabilities that allow the town to prepare, respond, mitigate and recover from natural disasters, complex incidents, and pandemic emergencies. The EMD assesses, plans, and implements best practice standards and assures compliance with all local, state, federal guidelines and regulatory agencies. The EMD assumes responsibility for the operation of the Town's Emergency Operations Center during emergencies; they also recommend the appointment of Deputy EMD's.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES The Town is required, by law, to provide for the general safety of its citizens, and this budget helps address these requirements. The Emergency Management Director is required to maintain the town's Emergency Operations Plan, provide annual updates to the CT Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, working through the Region 2 Coordinator. Additionally, the EMD must conduct annual community exercises with local officials in order to comply with DEMHS Directives and maintain its ability to apply for and receive Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) funds. The EMD must participate in training requirements set forth by DEMHS enabling the Town to receive federal funding.				
GOALS FOR FY 2025-26 Comply with the 2024 DEMHS EMPG mandated requirements for the EMD and Deputy EMD's. Complete the 2025 revisions to the Local Emergency Operations Plan and submit to DEMHS for approval. Conduct and orientation of the new Emergency Operations Center to town officials. Conduct an open house for the public highlighting the focus of the EOC and its operations, value and commitment to the community. Conduct a local Tabletop Exercise (TTX) that requires activation of the EOC; collaborate with surrounding communities. Program mutual aid radio frequencies into the EOC dispatch console to provide communications between contiguous jurisdictions Develop a Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) to comply with EPA Regulations under the Community-Right-to-Know Law.				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Part-time EMD	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Deputy EMD (non-paying)	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

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FUNCTION: PUBLIC SAFETY					2025-2026	DEPT: 4223			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$5,266	\$5,266	\$5,112	\$1,878	\$5,112	51620 PART TIME	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	
\$76	\$76	\$74	\$27	\$74	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$102	\$102	\$102	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	52300 RETIREMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$5,342	\$5,342	\$5,186	\$1,905	\$5,186	SUB TOTAL	\$7,102	\$7,102	\$7,102	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$0	\$0	\$750	\$0	\$500	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$750	\$750	\$750	
\$0	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$0	54900 UNIFORMS & CLOTHING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$8,000	\$854	\$1,486	\$239	\$1,450	56240 MOTOR FUEL & LUBRICANTS	\$1,268	\$1,268	\$1,268	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$8,000	\$854	\$2,536	\$239	\$1,950	SUB TOTAL	\$2,618	\$2,618	\$2,618	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$2,480	\$2,546	\$1,440	\$1,762	\$1,762	54100 TELEPHONE	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440	
\$868	\$15,658	\$7,500	\$16,939	\$7,000	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	
\$597	\$0	\$295	\$0	\$200	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$295	\$295	\$295	
\$9,866	\$12,466	\$6,900	\$7,323	\$7,400	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$7,084	\$7,084	\$7,084	
\$13,812	\$30,669	\$16,135	\$26,024	\$16,362		\$16,319	\$16,319	\$16,319	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57300 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$27,154	\$36,865	\$23,857	\$28,168	\$23,498	GRAND TOTAL	\$26,039	\$26,039	\$26,039	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
PUBLIC SAFETY	FIRE HYDRANTS	4299
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>This account provides funds for the rental of fire mains and hydrants from the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority. Included in this account are contractual payments for rental of approximately 2.6 million inch-feet of water mains and 245 hydrants.</p> <p>This budget also includes funding for 22 fire hydrants in condominiums that are reimbursed to the Town.</p>		

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ANNUAL BUDGET			
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.	
PUBLIC WORKS	PUBLIC WORKS	4301	
EXPLANATION:			
Public Works handles all activities relating to the proper maintenance of Town properties, buildings, roads, parks, and Board of Education grounds. This maintenance includes road patching and sweeping, catch basin cleaning and repairs, drainage installations, road resurfacing, roadside mowing, repair and maintenance of municipal fleet, and plowing of over 80 miles of Town roads. In addition, the Department mows over 130 acres of Town properties, and grooms and lines 28 playing fields for school and recreation athletics.			
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25			
1) Parks and all Town and BOE fields maintained throughout the year, along with fertilizing .			
2) Drainage program continued to improve drainage by replacing pipe and catch basins.			
3) Regular maintenance was performed all year on Public Works vehicles as well as Police, Fire, Town Hall, Senior Dept. and the BOE vehicles.			
4) Continued cracksealing program, and paving program. As well as miscellaneous curb and road repairs throughout Town.			
5) Removal of many trees in Town.			
6) Upgrades on BOE playground equipment.			
7).Sweeping and catch basin cleaning.			
8) Mowed sewer right aways.			
9) Tree removal and pruning at all Town parks.			
10) Poco ground improvments.			
11) Building maintenance performed on all Town buildings.			
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26			
1) Continue to focus on the maintaining and upgrading of Town and BOE parks and fields. Implement upgrades and improvements in conjunction with BOE and Recreation Commission policies, direction and funding levels.			
2) Continue a five year road improvement program and a five year equipment replacement funding program.			
3) Continue to implement new procedures for maintaining Town buildings as well as tree removal.			
	2024-25	2025-26	2025-26
	AUTHORIZED	DEPT. REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED
			2025-26
			COUNCIL APPROVED
Public Works Director	1.00	1.00	1.00
Assistant PW Director	1.00	1.00	1.00
Arborist	1.00	1.00	1.00
Garage Leadman	1.00	1.00	1.00
Highway Leadman	1.00	1.00	1.00
Grnds Ldmn&Grndskpr	2.00	2.00	2.00
Equipment Mechanic	1.48	1.48	1.48
Highway Employees	7.00	7.00	7.00
Grounds Employees	5.00	5.00	5.00
Building Maintenance	1.00	1.00	1.00
Secretary	1.00	1.00	1.00
TOTAL	22.48	22.48	22.48

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: PUBLIC WORKS					2025-2026		DEPT: 4301		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: PUBLIC WORKS		2025 - 2026		
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$1,333,966	\$1,519,365	\$1,577,774	\$876,616	\$1,569,706	51610 FULL TIME	\$1,579,614	\$1,579,614	\$1,579,614	
\$26,252	\$36,800	\$66,522	\$31,205	\$37,000	51620 PART TIME	\$30,810	\$30,810	\$30,810	
\$103,954	\$77,281	\$181,351	\$44,916	\$160,000	51630 OVERTIME	\$181,351	\$181,351	\$181,351	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	51620 SEASONAL	\$35,712	\$35,712	\$35,712	
\$0	\$1,469	\$14,395	\$9,805	\$10,000	51900 MISCELLANEOUS EARNINGS	\$14,395	\$14,395	\$14,395	
\$110,810	\$121,630	\$142,304	\$69,396	\$141,657	52200 EMPLOYER SS MATCH	\$142,660	\$142,660	\$142,660	
\$129,712	\$144,258	\$175,264	\$75,014	\$174,310	52300 RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$174,863	\$174,863	\$174,863	
\$1,704,693	\$1,900,804	\$2,157,610	\$1,106,952	\$2,117,673	SUB TOTAL	\$2,159,405	\$2,159,405	\$2,159,405	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$300	\$0	\$300	56120 ADMIN SUPPLIES	\$300	\$300	\$300	
\$12,048	\$13,475	\$13,000	\$11,864	\$13,000	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$13,750	\$13,750	\$13,750	
\$5,367	\$6,619	\$8,050	\$3,104	\$8,050	54900 UNIFORMS & CLOTHING	\$8,050	\$8,050	\$8,050	
\$3,735	\$2,417	\$26,955	\$7,896	\$20,000	56920 AGRICULTURAL SUPPLIES	\$30,060	\$30,060	\$30,060	
\$108,658	\$129,855	\$238,200	\$212,364	\$230,000	56290 CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	\$261,750	\$241,750	\$221,750	
\$968	\$1,294	\$1,000	\$407	\$1,300	56300 FOOD	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$23,942	\$32,008	\$44,360	\$22,649	\$46,000	56240 HEATING FUEL	\$37,890	\$37,890	\$35,774	
\$90,057	\$103,314	\$96,090	\$61,726	\$98,000	56260 GAS/DIESEL	\$94,335	\$94,335	\$87,237	
\$244,775	\$288,983	\$427,955	\$320,011	\$416,650	SUB TOTAL	\$447,635	\$427,635	\$398,421	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$8,085	\$8,909	\$9,900	\$4,032	\$8,500	54100 TELEPHONE	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$6,050	
\$16,154	\$16,537	\$24,610	\$8,518	\$24,000	56220 UTILITIES	\$24,610	\$24,610	\$24,610	
\$127,247	\$149,021	\$147,000	\$180,823	\$150,000	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$153,000	\$153,000	\$153,000	
\$6,137	\$12,268	\$51,400	\$41,291	\$50,000	54301 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$51,400	\$51,400	\$55,600	
\$0	\$0	\$16,000	\$8,572	\$16,000	54303 PARK MAINTENANCE	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$16,000	
\$9,696	\$6,295	\$15,652	\$8,000	\$15,000	54304 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$15,652	\$15,652	\$15,652	
\$1,880	\$9,612	\$1,550	\$500	\$1,500	54400 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	
\$8,458	\$8,249	\$9,871	\$0	\$9,871	51900 UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$9,871	\$9,871	\$9,871	
\$3,550	\$4,315	\$4,670	\$3,736	\$5,000	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	
\$51,406	\$59,112	\$107,543	\$77,534	\$105,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$116,443	\$116,443	\$111,443	
\$232,612	\$274,316	\$388,196	\$333,006	\$384,871	SUB TOTAL	\$403,776	\$403,776	\$399,126	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
-\$18,762	\$56,920	\$0	\$0	\$0	57300 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57201 BUILDING EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$10,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	57320 AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57301 CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$45,364	\$40,527	\$0	\$0	\$0	57390 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	501 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$36,602	\$122,447	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$2,218,682	\$2,586,550	\$2,973,761	\$1,759,969	\$2,919,194	GRAND TOTAL	\$3,010,816	\$2,990,816	\$2,956,952	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY			DEPT NO.
PUBLIC WORKS	ENGINEERING			4305
EXPLANATION:				
The Town Engineer prepares, plans and oversees work in the construction and reconstruction of Town roads, storm drainage and other public works projects. The department also provides staff assistance to the Town Manager, Planning & Zoning Commission, Wetlands Agency, WPCA and other departments, agencies, boards and commissions. The Town Engineer also administers the Flood Development Ordinance and contract operation of the Sewer Department.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES				
The Engineering Department continues to maintain the State/Federal mandated NPDES Phase II Stormwater Permit Program for the Town in conjunction with the Public Works Department and other Town agencies/departments. This permit has been modified by CT DEEP and will impose more monitoring, reporting, and sampling requirements on the Town with a resulting increase in cost. This department also coordinates the Fats, Oils, Greases (FOG) program mandated by the CT DEEP for Food establishments.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25				
1 Assisted the Public Works Department with the Implementation of the construction phase of the Road Improvements Program.				
2 Provided technical assistance to the Public Works Department to implement the Town's 5-year Stormwater Maintenance Plan (MS4), including maintenance of plan, water quality sampling, and submission of annual report.				
3 Served on SCRCOG Transportation Technical Committee to track local road and bridge improvement projects.				
4 Typical annual receipt and processing of approximately 700 Call Before You Dig mark out requests; for the Sanitary Sewer System				
5 Processed road opening permits & inspections for underground utilities at several existing subdivisions.				
6 Worked with Public Works Dept. to complete drainage and pavement improvement projects under Road Improvement Program.				
7 Coordinated/Inspected with Public Works & the Vendor, 0.6 miles of reconstruction and drainage replacement & 6.2 miles of crack sealing.				
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OBJECTIVES FOR 2025-26				
1 Assist the Public Works Department with the Implementation of the construction phase of the Road Improvements Program.				
2 Provide technical assistance to the Public Works Department and coordinate implementation of the Town's 5-year Stormwater Maintenance Plan under a reissuance by CT DEEP which will impose many additional costly unfunded mandates on municipalities.				
3 Provide erosion control inspection and monitoring services for approved construction projects.				
4 Continue to identify major road reconstruction & bridge rehabilitation projects, focusing on available state (LOTICIP) & federal grants.				
5 Coordinate & implement upgrades to sewer system with contracted operator, renew focus on implementation of I&I study (White Hollow specific).				
6 Review, monitor, inspect proposed and approved development projects, working in coordination with Wetlands Agent/Town Planner.				
7 Continue working with SW Conservation District to explore funding options to implement Green Infrastructure & LID in the Farm River Watershed.				
8 Continue to coordinate inspections & update pertinent sections of the ADA Transition Plan.				
9 Coordinate CT DOT projects to ensure Town concerns and issues are addressed.				
10 Research/Implement Engineering Department specific sections of the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.				
11 Work with SCRCOG to implement a Pavement Management System.				
	2024-2025	2025-2026	2025-2026	2025-2026
PERSONNEL	AUTHORIZED	DEPT. REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL APPROVED
Town Engineer (balance in SWOF)	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67
Secretary	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33
TOTAL	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: PUBLIC WORKS					2025-2026	DEPT: 4305			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: ENGINEERING	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$90,500	\$106,506	\$94,324	\$50,812	\$94,324	51610 FULL TIME	\$96,557	\$96,557	\$96,557	
\$6,905	\$8,071	\$7,342	\$3,841	\$7,342	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$7,487	\$7,487	\$7,487	
\$9,283	\$10,999	\$9,938	\$3,107	\$9,938	52300 RETIREMENT	\$10,007	\$10,007	\$10,006	
\$106,688	\$125,576	\$111,604	\$57,760	\$111,604	SUB TOTAL	\$114,051	\$114,051	\$114,051	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$135	\$174	\$400	\$10	\$400	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	54900 UNIFORMS AND CLOTHING	\$250	\$250	\$250	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$135	\$174	\$600	\$10	\$600	SUB TOTAL	\$850	\$850	\$850	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$334	\$535	\$564	\$268	\$564	54100 TELEPHONE	\$564	\$564	\$564	
\$580	\$465	\$580	\$80	\$580	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$940	\$940	\$940	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$99	\$99	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$914	\$1,000	\$1,144	\$447	\$1,243	SUB TOTAL	\$1,504	\$1,504	\$1,504	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	
\$107,737	\$126,750	\$113,348	\$58,216	\$113,447	GRAND TOTAL	\$119,905	\$119,905	\$119,905	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
PUBLIC WORKS	STREET LIGHTING AND TRAFFIC CONTROLS	4311
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>This account provides for the operation and maintenance of street lights throughout the Town. The Town is in the service area of three major electric companies - Wallingford Electric, United Illuminating and Northeast Utilities.</p> <p>This account also provides for the operation and maintenance of eight (8) traffic signals, and one (1) blinking traffic sign for which the Town is responsible. The locations of the traffic signals are Route 80 and Totoket Road, Route 80 at the North Branford Intermediate School/High School driveway, Route 80 at Company #1 firehouse, Route 80 at Twin Lakes Road, Route 17 at Village Street, Route 17 at Clintonville Road (Rt 22) , Route 17 and Route 22 junction and Route 17 at Company #3 firehouse.</p> <p>This budget falls under the jurisdiction of the Purchasing Assistant. It includes utility costs as well as traffic signal and call box repairs.</p> <p>The following is a breakdown of street lights in the Town.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">United Illuminating - 506 Wallingford Electric - 436 Northeast Utilities - 1</p> <p>The solar project on Forest Road will provide savings for this department. The amount of the savings is only an estimate</p>		

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FUNCTION: HEALTH & WELFARE

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FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
HEALTH & WELFARE	HEALTH	4401

This account provides funds for a contractual payment to the East Shore District Health Department, which includes Branford, East Haven, and North Branford. The district provides environmental health services including food establishment inspection, well inspections and septic system inspections.

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ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY			DEPT NO.
HEALTH & WELFARE	VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION			4421
EXPLANATION: The Veterans Service Commission was created and appointed by the Town Council in 2024. The purpose of the Commission is to provide support to and recognition of our vital veteran community in North Branford, with the aim of creating programs for awareness and support of our local veteran community, overseeing events associated with promoting awareness and recognition of the service of our veterans, and celebrating their service and sacrifice on behalf of our nation. The Veterans Service Commission shall oversee, create, and support public events and functions that celebrate our veteran community in North Branford, including but not limited to Memorial Day, Patriot Day, Veterans Day, and to establish memorials and ceremonies including but not limited to a Purple Heart community designation, and a North Branford Veterans Hall of Fame. The Veterans Service Commission shall meet at least quarterly and provide reports and updates to the Town Council as necessary.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2023-24				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2024-25 Creation of a Purple Heart designation for the Town, and a North Branford Veterans Hall of Fame, among other goals as they may recommend.				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Part-time Clerk	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

					TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION: CULTURE & RECREATION					2025-2026	DEPT: 4421			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY : VETERANS' SERVICE EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$0	\$600	\$1,800	\$300	\$600	<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$45	\$138	\$22	\$45	51620 PART TIME	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	
\$0	\$54	\$162	\$35	\$54	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$138	\$138	\$138	
					52300 RETIREMENT	\$162	\$162	\$162	
\$0	\$699	\$2,100	\$357	\$699	SUB TOTAL	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$2,100	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$0	\$261	\$0	\$0	\$0	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$261	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	
\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	55301 POSTAGE	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
\$0	\$960	\$5,100	\$357	\$699	GRAND TOTAL	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$5,100	

ANNUAL BUDGET																
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.													
HEALTH & WELFARE	SOCIAL SERVICES		4427													
EXPLANATION: The Office of Social Service has expanded and enhanced services in unison with the changing environment continuing to operate as a hub of community resources, assisting persons in crisis. Short and long term goal achievement services are provided through education, information, advocacy and actuation for all persons and all age groups. The objective remains to promote self-sufficiency and support for both short and long term life management situations. The Department encompasses any and all offered programs to meet the changing needs of citizens.																
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES This department is required to be compliant with all local, state and federal regulations. The Department is compliant with agency requirements such as DSS, SSA, Medicare and Mandated Reporter Requirements. Ongoing CEU and certificate testing required. Potential lack of federal funding may impact state and nonprofit programs that assist persons with necessary needs.		<table><tr><td><u>Social Services Activity</u></td><td><u>7/1/23-6/30/24</u></td><td><u>7/1/24-1/1/25</u></td></tr><tr><td>Case load increase</td><td>1,737</td><td>3,049</td></tr><tr><td>2012 to 2023</td><td></td><td>57 percent</td></tr><tr><td>Calls for assistance</td><td>6,532</td><td>6,420</td></tr></table>			<u>Social Services Activity</u>	<u>7/1/23-6/30/24</u>	<u>7/1/24-1/1/25</u>	Case load increase	1,737	3,049	2012 to 2023		57 percent	Calls for assistance	6,532	6,420
<u>Social Services Activity</u>	<u>7/1/23-6/30/24</u>	<u>7/1/24-1/1/25</u>														
Case load increase	1,737	3,049														
2012 to 2023		57 percent														
Calls for assistance	6,532	6,420														
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25 Co Author of the Digital Shoreline Resource Manual Integration of Charity Tracker converting paper files to digital files Facilitated the Wallingford Electric Match Program All programs of Basic Needs for those eligible and entitled including Holiday Programs, Wishing Wheels(bikes for children)Energy Assistance Operation Fuel, Furnace Repair and Replace, Energy Audits, Return to School Programs for Shoes and Supplies, Farmers to Families Mortgage Programs, Rent Programs, Elderly Protective Services, IEP assist and Section 504 for school age children Veterans Benefits and Services, Title 19, Husky, WIC, SNAP Program services, Nursing Home Placement, Mental Health Placement Substance Abuse Placement																
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26 Continue to assist residents with the various programs available to this office. Explore additional programs that may benefit residents. Improve outreach efforts to the community and focus on those that do not have access Greater utilization of technology and print to increase program awareness. Transfer paper client records to digital.																
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>												
Asst. Director	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00												
Seasonal Secretary	0.27	0.51	0.27	0.51												
TOTAL	1.27	1.51	1.27	1.51												

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: HEALTH & WELFARE					2025-2026	DEPT: 4427			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: SOCIAL SERVICES	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$79,299	\$81,365	\$84,128	\$46,743	\$81,678	51610 FULL TIME	\$84,129	\$84,129	\$84,129	
\$7,980	\$10,626	\$11,000	\$6,097	\$11,000	51620 PART TIME	\$24,800	\$12,500	\$24,800	
\$5,969	\$6,167	\$6,850	\$3,557	\$6,663	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$6,926	\$6,926	\$7,105	
\$9,007	\$9,131	\$9,207	\$5,264	\$8,986	52300 RETIREMENT	\$9,425	\$9,425	\$9,425	
\$102,255	\$107,289	\$111,185	\$61,661	\$108,327	SUB TOTAL	\$125,280	\$112,980	\$125,459	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$9	\$0	\$560	\$234	\$560	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$560	\$560	\$560	
\$1,089	\$531	\$1,248	\$1,910	\$1,248	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$1,212	\$1,212	\$1,113	
\$1,098	\$531	\$1,808	\$2,144	\$1,808	SUB TOTAL	\$1,772	\$1,772	\$1,673	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$543	\$535	\$840	\$268	\$840	54100 TELEPHONE	\$840	\$840	\$720	
\$50	\$0	\$201	\$0	\$201	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$210	\$210	\$210	
\$23	\$0	\$100	\$150	\$150	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$200	\$200	\$200	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	54440 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	59500 GENERAL ASSISTANCE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$280	\$0	\$320	\$120	\$320	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$620	\$620	\$620	
\$300	\$0	\$550	\$0	(\$276)	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$550	\$550	\$550	
\$1,195	\$535	\$2,011	\$538	\$1,235	SUB TOTAL	\$2,420	\$2,420	\$2,300	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$1,350	
\$200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$1,350	
\$104,748	\$108,355	\$115,004	\$64,342	\$111,370	GRAND TOTAL	\$130,822	\$118,522	\$130,782	

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ANNUAL BUDGET	

FUNCTION:

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ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
CULTURE & RECREATION	LIBRARY		4501	
EXPLANATION: The Library Department operates the Atwater Memorial Library in North Branford and the Edward Smith Library in Northford. The Library offers access to information and entertainment through technology, research tools, downloadable books, music and movies. Our diverse programs are designed for a broad range of ages from toddlers building early literacy skills through adults and seniors interested in lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Our collection includes over 65,000 items of books, media, newspapers, magazines, and museum passes.				
HOURS OF OPERATION Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (summer hours Saturday 9 a.m. - noon); Sunday 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. (November through March).				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES The public libraries are locally controlled, and operations are not strongly affected by state mandates. However, state regulations require that many library services be free.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25 Purchased and offered training on our new 3D printers. Both libraries now have the ability to share this technology with our community. Developed our first Librarians in Training Program, which introduced middle grade students to the ins and outs of being a librarian. We will be sharing this program with other public libraries in the spring at the annual Connecticut Library Conference. Successfully launched Nintendo Switch games to enhance our scope and broaden our services. Worked with three teens on the creation and completion of their Capstone projects. These partnerships made it possible for us to introduce our 3D printers, start our Lego Robotics program and run our Librarians in Training Program. Carlye Veenema hired as the Atwater Children's Librarian and introduced new programming to our community.				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26 Extend the library's outdoor space footprint and explore adding outdoor seating and amenities to expand usable space. Support lifelong growth and learning by empowering discovery, curiosity and a love of reading through community-driven, creative programming. Develop an ongoing digital preservation plan that affirms our commitment to the management and stewardship of our digitized collections. Ensure every visitor to the library has a meaningful and engaging user library experience.				
	2024-25	2025-26	2025-26	2025-26
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Library Director	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Assistant Library Director	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Librarian	5.74	5.74	5.74	5.74
Library Technical Assistant	1.25	2.88	2.88	2.88
Library Assistant	2.97	1.76	1.76	1.76
Library Custodian	0.71	1.09	1.09	1.09
TOTAL	12.67	13.47	13.47	13.47

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: CULTURE & RECREATION					2025-2026		DEPT: 4501		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: LIBRARY EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					PERSONNEL SERVICES				
\$388,750	\$445,354	\$510,287	\$281,954	\$505,000	51610 FULL TIME	\$517,545	\$517,545	\$517,545	
\$153,963	\$181,122	\$196,444	\$115,590	\$197,000	51620 PART TIME	\$235,687	\$222,687	\$222,687	
\$3,304	\$1,099	\$3,409	\$2,658	\$3,500	51630 OVERTIME	\$4,076	\$4,076	\$0	
\$31,343	\$35,519	\$42,209	\$22,934	\$43,000	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$43,321	\$43,321	\$43,010	
\$37,431	\$38,836	\$55,251	\$26,863	\$55,000	52300 PENSION	\$55,486	\$55,486	\$55,119	
\$614,791	\$701,931	\$807,600	\$450,000	\$803,500	SUB TOTAL	\$856,115	\$843,115	\$838,361	
					MATERIALS & SUPPLIES				
\$1,399	\$1,005	\$1,000	\$257	\$1,000	56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$2,518	\$4,429	\$3,453	\$2,615	\$3,500	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$3,890	\$3,890	\$3,890	
\$559	\$1,348	\$1,500	\$1,473	\$1,200	56010 CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	208 HEATING FUEL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$9,140	\$11,168	\$3,300	\$3,464	\$3,300	56910 OTHER MATERIALS	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$3,300	
\$13,616	\$17,950	\$9,253	\$7,809	\$9,000	SUB TOTAL	\$9,390	\$9,390	\$9,390	
					CONTRACTUAL SERVICES				
\$9,258	\$8,527	\$10,620	\$3,655	\$10,500	54100 TELEPHONE	\$8,360	\$8,360	\$8,360	
\$41,406	\$34,774	\$35,073	\$20,656	\$35,000	56220 UTILITIES	\$34,473	\$28,473	\$28,473	
\$1,013	\$875	\$888	\$445	\$890	54411 WATER/SEWER	\$900	\$900	\$900	
\$2,478	\$2,457	\$3,015	\$1,035	\$3,100	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$3,290	\$3,290	\$3,290	
\$2,979	\$3,982	\$2,950	\$836	\$1,800	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	
\$20,582	\$17,748	\$5,730	\$9,398	\$5,800	54301 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$16,400	\$16,400	\$5,700	
\$65,088	\$42,468	\$44,644	\$44,047	\$45,000	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$45,690	\$45,690	\$45,690	
\$3,466	\$2,107	\$3,245	\$1,035	\$3,200	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$3,395	\$3,395	\$3,395	
\$13,123	\$16,510	\$14,590	\$13,539	\$14,600	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$16,386	\$16,386	\$16,386	
\$159,394	\$129,448	\$120,755	\$94,647	\$119,890	SUB TOTAL	\$130,094	\$124,094	\$113,394	
					CAPITAL OUTLAY				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$500	\$500	\$500	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	402 BUILDING EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$85,995	\$0	\$0	\$0	57390 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$71,359	(\$394)	\$71,500	\$57,530	\$71,500	56420 LIBRARY BOOKS	\$72,000	\$71,000	\$71,000	
\$71,359	\$85,600	\$71,500	\$57,530	\$71,500	SUB TOTAL	\$72,500	\$71,500	\$71,500	
					CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	501 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$859,160	\$934,930	\$1,009,108	\$609,986	\$1,003,890	GRAND TOTAL	\$1,068,099	\$1,048,099	\$1,032,645	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
CULTURE & RECREATION	COMMUNITY CENTER		4503	
EXPLANATION:				
The Parks, Recreation and Senior Department strives to strengthen and provide essential services to the community through events, people, parks and programs. We offer diverse and affordable programs that enrich the lives of all residents and meet the needs of the entire community. We aspire to create innovative, comprehensive programming that fosters growth.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES				
1. State and Local Health Department Regulations				
2. Pending State OEC Regulations on Camps/After School Programs				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25				
1. Continued to expand essential programs & services for our community (administered the Farmer to Family Food Box Program for our community, Sibshop, Sensory Friendly activities and support).				
2. Established new and refreshed existing community events (Autumn Nights at Augur, Santa's Little Helper, incorporated fireworks in the Annual Tree Lighting).				
3. Ongoing improvements to parks and facilities to create safe, attractive recreational space (STW Pavillion Project, Northford softball field renovation).				
4. Continued to develop intergenerational and interdepartmental programs (Senior tech classes, Touch-A-Truck, StoryWalk at North Farms Park, Cookies with a Cop, Grandparent gifting program, Tango for Parkinson's).				
5. Worked to reestablish Local Wellness Council. Developed & distributed local resource magnets to every household.				
6. Provided essential training and membership opportunities for staff development.				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26				
1. Continue to foster the growth of positive relationships interdepartmentally, with residents, community stakeholders & organizations.				
2. Continue to encourage staff development and growth by offering industry learning opportunities (Sibshop Facilitator Certification, PASS trainer certification program)				
3. Expand and implement services to meet the shifting needs of our community.				
4. Seek additional creative opportunities to enhance all Parks, Recreation and Senior Center programs, events, facilities and properties.				
	2024-2025	2025-2026	2025-2026	2025-2026
PERSONNEL	AUTHORIZED	DEPT. REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL APPROVED
Director of Recreation	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Assistant Director	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Secretary	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Program Worker	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Program Worker/Van Driver	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.79
PT Van Drivers	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38
Cook	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.77
Front desk PT attendants	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90
Park Attendant	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18
Cleaning/maintenance	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.97
TOTAL	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: CULTURE & RECREATION					2025-2026		DEPT: 4503		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: COMMUNITY CENTER EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$255,371	\$264,335	\$270,817	\$150,801	\$262,940	51610 FULL TIME	\$276,779	\$276,779	\$276,779	
\$193,459	\$217,274	\$244,961	\$110,623	\$258,596	51620 PART TIME	\$285,679	\$270,465	\$270,465	
\$833	\$41	\$2,284	\$653	\$3,504	51630 OVERTIME	\$2,284	\$2,284	\$2,284	
\$26,348	\$27,745	\$39,632	\$15,870	\$37,911	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$30,620	\$30,516	\$30,516	
\$38,488	\$38,547	\$31,968	\$21,833	\$29,607	52300 PENSION	\$32,241	\$32,241	\$32,241	
\$514,499	\$547,941	\$589,662	\$299,780	\$592,558	SUB TOTAL	\$627,603	\$612,285	\$612,285	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$744	\$528	\$2,069	\$1,000	\$1,970	56120 ADMIN SUPPLIES	\$2,172	\$2,172	\$2,172	
\$15,640	\$4,027	\$15,142	\$4,986	\$14,047	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$16,546	\$16,546	\$14,971	
\$3,927	\$5,550	\$8,090	\$5,028	\$7,210	56010 CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$8,689	\$8,689	\$8,689	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56300 FOOD	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$1,247	\$26,053	\$43,625	\$13,164	\$43,625	56240 HEATING FUEL	\$43,243	\$32,243	\$32,081	
\$7,690	\$6,984	\$11,792	\$10,635	\$13,880	56260 MOTOR FUEL & LUBRICANTS	\$11,037	\$11,037	\$10,517	
\$29,249	\$43,142	\$80,718	\$34,813	\$80,732	SUB TOTAL	\$81,687	\$70,687	\$68,430	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$6,188	\$7,718	\$8,160	\$2,785	\$8,160	54100 TELEPHONE	\$8,160	\$8,160	\$4,310	
\$2,361	\$3,982	\$11,979	\$2,270	\$8,791	54411 WATER/SEWER	\$7,200	\$7,200	\$7,200	
\$22,015	\$48,198	\$64,472	\$25,828	\$45,000	56220 ELECTRICITY	\$64,472	\$64,472	\$64,472	
\$0	\$125	\$1,000	\$110	\$1,000	55500 PRINTING & BINDING	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$7,436	\$10,706	\$12,665	\$6,021	\$11,096	55800 TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION	\$13,900	\$13,900	\$13,900	
\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	55301 POSTAGE	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$8,670	\$12,614	\$24,375	\$21,081	\$17,325	54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$25,325	\$25,325	\$21,150	
\$16,879	\$12,520	\$5,100	\$4,794	\$14,200	54301 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$17,700	\$17,700	\$4,400	
\$1,626	\$13,495	\$10,000	\$2,921	\$25,500	54303 PARKS MAINTENANCE	\$31,000	\$31,000	\$31,000	
\$7,512	\$7,769	\$28,364	\$25,043	\$16,814	54400 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$30,080	\$30,080	\$30,080	
\$5,239	\$7,000	\$12,035	\$180	\$11,585	53510 DATA PROCESSING	\$8,935	\$8,935	\$8,935	
\$4,882	\$3,380	\$9,284	\$3,524	\$5,187	53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$9,840	\$9,840	\$5,265	
\$8,060	\$12,399	\$15,122	\$11,594	\$13,164	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$16,072	\$14,072	\$14,072	
\$90,868	\$139,904	\$203,556	\$106,150	\$178,822	SUB TOTAL	\$234,684	\$232,684	\$206,784	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57200 BUILDING EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$645	57201 BUILDING EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$7,950	\$0	\$5,450	\$0	57390 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	57100 RECREATION - PARKS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$7,950	\$0	\$5,450	\$645	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$634,616	\$738,938	\$873,936	\$446,194	\$852,757	GRAND TOTAL	\$943,974	\$915,656	\$887,499	

ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY		DEPT NO.	
CULTURE & RECREATION	AGRICULTURE COMMISSION		4505	
EXPLANATION:				
The Agriculture Commission operates under the provisions of the Code of the Town of North Branford. It consists of 5 members (1 of whom is from the Town Council and 4 electors) and 2 elector alternates appointed by the Town Council having various initial terms for the electors with 3 year terms thereafter. The Commission is charged with undertaking efforts and providing advice that will help preserve and sustain the agriculture industry in North Branford and its land; encourage pursuit of agriculture; and protect farmland through education, communication, conflict resolution, regulatory advice and promoting the economic viability of farming.				
HIGHLIGHTS FROM CALENDAR YEAR 2023				
1 The Commission did not hold any meetings during 2020.				
2 The Commission was generally inactive.				
OBJECTIVES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024				
1 There has been discussion to re-energize the Agriculture Commission in response to a Zoning Text Amendment to expand farm uses.				
2 Continued protection and support to agricultural uses with continued work on public awareness of the importance of the agricultural community and by seeking available grant funds for agriculture projects.				
3 Continue Commission participation with expanded agriculture exhibits and events for the Town's Potato and Corn Festival.				
4 Coordinate with other Town agencies and with public and private organizations on mutual interests and projects.				
5 Continue promotion and distribution of Farm Trail Brochures; continued promotion of locally grown and CT grown products.				
PERSONNEL	2024-25 AUTHORIZED	2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED	2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED	2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED
Secretary to Commission	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

FUNCTION:					2025-2026		DEPT: 4505			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: AGRICULTURE COMMISSION		2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$150	\$0	\$100	51620 PART TIME		\$400	\$400	\$400	
\$0	\$0	\$2	\$0	\$1	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY		\$6	\$6	\$6	
\$0	\$0	\$152	\$0	\$101	SUB TOTAL		\$406	\$406	\$406	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL		\$0	\$0	\$0	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>					
\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	55500 PRINTING & BINDING		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$0	\$0	\$375	\$0	\$0	55400 ADVERTISING		\$375	\$375	\$375	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL		\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$1,375	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL		\$1,375	\$1,375	\$1,375	

**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

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ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
CULTURE & RECREATION	PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS	4511
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>This account provides for the conduct of the annual Memorial Day observance. Funds are use to purchase flags for veterans' graves and for bands to march in the parade organized by the local Veterans and Town Staff Additionally, funds to assist with costs for the Senior Picnic, Tree Lighting and Family event are included</p> <p>IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES State mandates have no impact on the Public Celebrations budget.</p>		

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET

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ANNUAL BUDGET

FUNCTION

CULTURE & RECREATION

ACTIVITY

ELDERLY HOUSING

DEPT NO.

4599**EXPLANATION:**

This account provides funds to pay the sanitary sewer use charge for sixty (60) units at Hillside Terrace. The amount for the sewer assessment is an estimate. The actual amount is not determinable until the Water Pollution Control Authority sets the Sewer Use Charge in September.

IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES

This department is not affected by State mandates.

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Annual Budget



TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET

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ANNUAL BUDGET						
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY				DEPT NO.	
EDUCATION	EDUCATION				4700	
EXPLANATION:						
The Board of Education submits a budget to the Town annually for incorporation into the Town's overall budget. The Board of Education determines the final allocation of these funds, the appropriation for education is made as a lump sum amount in the "other contractual" account.						
The Board of Education's budget proposal includes the following information for 2025-26 and the preceding periods:						
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NORTH BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

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February 24, 2025

Michael Downes, Town Manager
Town of North Branford
909 Foxon Road
North Branford, CT 06471

Dear Michael,

The North Branford Board of Education respectfully submits its operating and capital budget requests for the 2025/2026 fiscal year to you and the members of the North Branford Town Council for review and consideration.

The Board of Education approved a total operating budget request of \$35,990,703.67 for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, an increase of 6.16% over the 2024/2025 budget. Increases in salary and benefits account for 3.70% of this request with 2.46% representing increases in technology, learning and support programs, administrative non-salary items and transportation costs.

The Board also voted to submit a capital budget request of \$3,760,000. The details of the capital request are attached.

A copy of the minutes, showing the approved motions for both the operating and capital budget requests for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, are also attached.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Bonadies

Marjorie Bonadies, Chair
North Branford Board of Education

Enclosures

C: Rose Angeloni, Mayor



Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Annual Budget

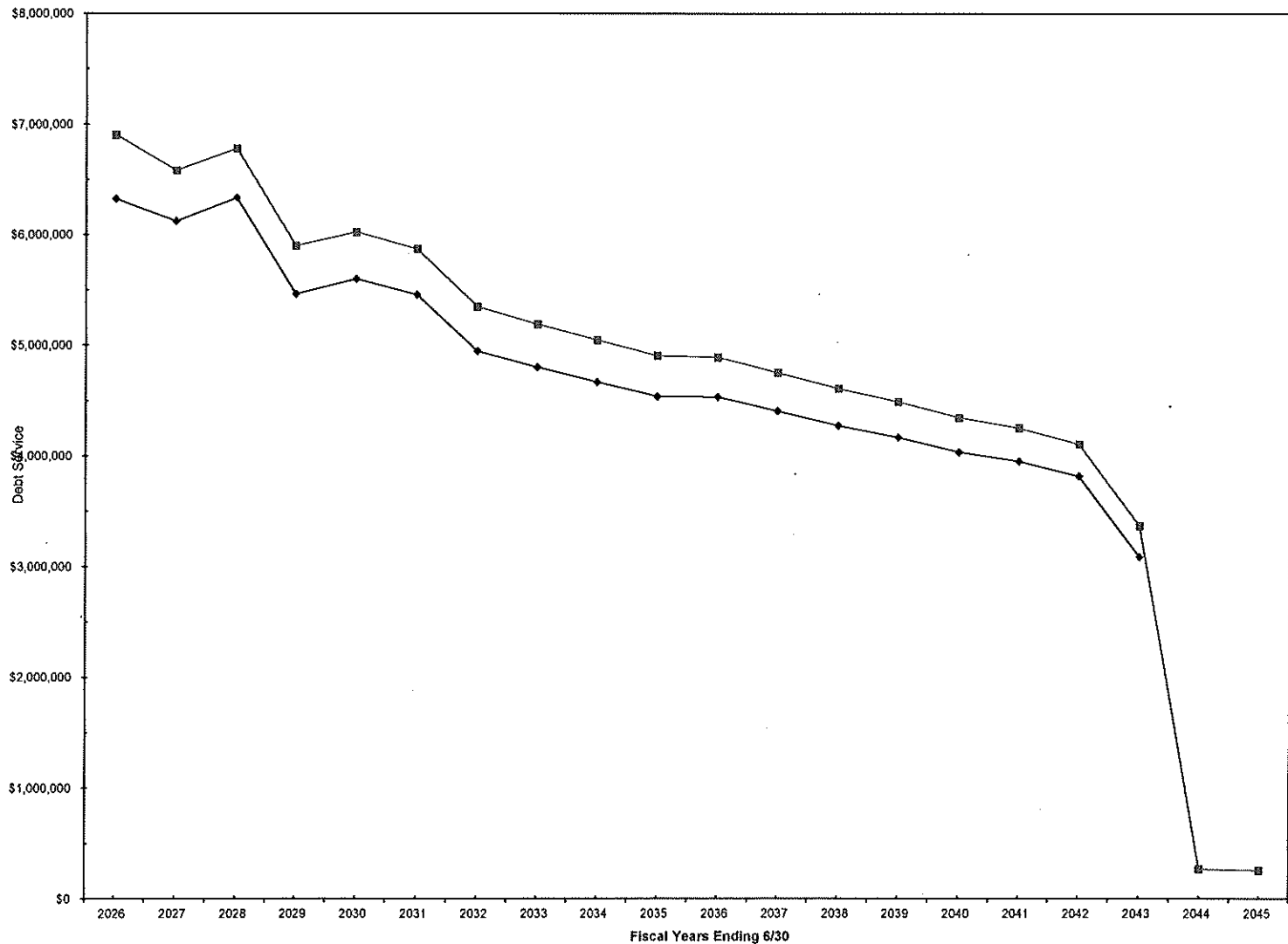


TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET

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ANNUAL BUDGET					
FUNCTION		ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.		
DEBT SERVICE		DEBT SERVICE	4801		
EXPLANATION:					
This account provides for periodic principal and interest payments due on the Town's general long term debt obligations. Bond Anticipation Notes (BANS) represent short term financing for projects until such time as long term bonds are issued. Financing costs are capitalized as expenditures against the projects for which the borrowing was issued. Serial Bonds are a long-term method of financing capital improvements and other eligible expenses whereby principal is repaid in periodic installments over the life of the issue, usually for a twenty (20) year period.					
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25					
1. Formulated a long range (10-15 year) schedule of major capital expenditures in town to create a uniform debt service level which will allow the projects to be scheduled for proper debt service management.					
2. Issued short term notes for funds needed for the new High School, new Police Station project & Townwide Communications project					
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26					
1. Issue a fourth round of short-term notes for the High School, Intermediate School & Police Station as well as the new townwide Communications System					
2. Work with our Financial Advisor to create a financing schedule that the Town can afford					
Serial Bonds					
<u>Year Issued</u>	<u>Use of Bond Proceeds</u>	<u>Principal Balance 7/1/25</u>	<u>Principal to be paid FY 2025-26</u>	<u>Interest to be paid FY 2025-26</u>	<u>Final Fiscal Year for Payments</u>
2015	Refinanced 2010 bonds	\$2,355,000	\$785,000	\$77,075	2027-2028
2019	Refinanced 2011 Bonds	\$1,535,000	\$490,000	\$64,500	2027-2028
2021	Refinanced 2015 Bonds	\$1,985,000	\$315,000	\$84,525	2030-2031
2021	New Money - NBHS & NBPB	\$9,600,000	\$400,000	\$344,000	2041-2042
2022	New Money - NBHS/NBIS/STW & NBPB	\$18,300,000	\$750,000	\$774,750	2042-2043
2023	New Money - NBHS/NBIS/STW & NBPB	\$14,975,000	\$575,000	\$636,625	2043-2044
2024	New Money - NBHS/NBIS	\$16,100,000	\$0	\$1,024,999	2044-2045
TOTALS		\$64,850,000	\$3,315,000	\$3,006,474	

Town of North Branford
Long Term Debt Service Analysis (New PD, Communications, new NBHS, STW Roof, NBIS Roof)



**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF DEBT LIMITATION
CONNECTICUT STATUTES, SECTION 7-374(b)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

TAX BASE:

Total tax collections (including interest and lien fees)..... \$47,366,421

REIMBURSEMENT OF REVENUE LOST ON:

Tax Relief for Elderly Freeze Grant..... \$0

TOTAL BASE..... \$47,366,421

	<u>GENERAL PURPOSE</u>	<u>SCHOOLS</u>	<u>SEWER</u>	<u>URBAN RENEWAL</u>	<u>PENSION DEFICIT</u>	<u>TOTAL LIMITATION</u>
DEBT LIMITATION:						
2 1/4 times base.....	\$106,574,447					
4 1/2 times base.....		\$213,148,895				
3 3/4 times base.....			\$177,624,079			
3 1/4 times base.....				\$153,940,868		
3 times base.....					\$142,099,263	
7 times base.....						\$331,564,947

TOTAL LIMITATIONS	\$106,574,447	\$213,148,895	\$177,624,079	\$153,940,868	\$142,099,263	\$331,564,947
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INDEBTEDNESS:

Bonds.....	\$12,199,000	\$27,681,000	\$105,000	\$0	\$0	\$39,985,000
Authorized and Unissued.....	\$7,100,000	\$23,975,000	\$0			\$31,075,000
Bond Anticipation Notes	\$7,800,000	\$31,275,000				
Less: School building grants.....						\$0

TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS	\$27,099,000	\$82,931,000	\$105,000	\$0	\$0	\$110,135,000
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DEBT LIMITATION IN EXCESS OF OUTSTANDING

DEBT	\$79,475,447	\$130,217,895	\$177,519,079	\$153,940,868	\$142,099,263	\$221,429,947
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Credit Highlights

- S&P Global Ratings assigned its 'AA+' long-term rating to North Branford, Conn.'s roughly \$16.1 million issue of 2024 general obligation (GO) bonds.
- At the same time, S&P Global Ratings assigned its 'SP-1+' rating to the town's anticipated \$8.7 million bond anticipation notes (BANs).
- Finally, S&P Global Ratings affirmed its 'AA+' long-term rating on the town's outstanding GO debt and its 'SP-1+' rating on its outstanding BANs, maturing Aug. 2, 2024.
- The outlook, where applicable, is stable.

Security

North Branford's full-faith-and-credit pledge, payable from the levy of an unlimited ad valorem tax on all taxable property in the town, secures the bonds and notes. The rating on the short-term note reflects our criteria for evaluating and rating BANs. In our view, North Branford maintains a very strong capacity to pay principal and interest when the notes come due. The town has what we view as a low market risk profile because it has strong legal authority to issue long-term debt to take out the notes and is a frequent issuer that regularly provides disclosure to market participants.

Bond proceeds will permanently finance maturing notes originally issued for school roof replacement and public safety equipment purchases; note proceeds will renew outstanding notes originally issued for building projects. The town plans to permanently finance the notes next year.

Credit overview

North Branford's general creditworthiness is supported by its affluent, primarily residential economy generally balanced operations, and expected maintenance of fund balance at strong or very strong levels. However, upward rating pressure is currently limited because the town's economic metrics are weaker than its higher-rated peers and its management practices are less formalized.

We based our analysis on a draft 2023 audit that we believe to be substantially complete. In fiscal 2023, general fund balance decreased \$1.3 million, driven by a larger-than-usual \$4.3 million transfer out to the town's capital and nonrecurring fund, reducing available reserves even though revenue and expenditures both outperformed budgeted estimates. Management reports fiscal 2024 is tracking to budget and anticipates at least breakeven results. We believe that North Branford will produce roughly balanced operations during the outlook period due to its cautious budgeting practices and predictable revenues, despite reductions in fund balance in 2022 and 2023 due to capital drawdowns. The fiscal 2025 budget raises the mill rate to 35.93 from 34.52, increasing the total levy by \$1.8 million, partially to fund increased debt service. While management will continue to use fund balance to address small capital needs from time-to-time, we expect it to remain at roughly current levels--which is lower than its higher-rated peers nationally--in accordance with its policy requiring unassigned fund balance at a minimum of 10% of the subsequent year's expenditures, informally targeting at least 12% to 14%.

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**TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD
ANNUAL BUDGET**

OTHER					2025-2026				
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-2025			CATEGORY SUMMATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$100	WPCA	\$100	\$100	\$100	
\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$100	GRAND TOTAL	\$100	\$100	\$100	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
OTHER	WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY	5000
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>The Town Council serves as the Water Pollution Control Authority. The Water Pollution Control Authority operates pursuant to State Statutes and oversees the construction and operation of sanitary sewers and provides for their operation.</p> <p>The Water Pollution Control Authority account provides for legal advertising costs.</p> <p>HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continued relationship with Veolia Water North America, who has been providing contract operations for the past nine years. 2. Kept sewer use rates at \$500 per residential unit. <p>OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to address possible sewer connections to enhance potential for growth of industrial and commercial development proposals in Town. 2. Continue to work and coordinate with the Towns of North Haven, Branford and the Greater New Haven WPCA on issues related to the discharge of North Branford waste into their systems. 3. Continue to develop a Sewer Works Operating and Capital Budget that seeks to develop level funding from user fees. 		

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET

FUNCTION:	OTHER
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OTHER

2025-2026

DEPT: 5000

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

	2024-25
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ACTIVITY: WATER POLLUTION

2025-2026

2022-23	ACTUAL
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2023-24	ACTUAL
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BUDGETED

ACTUAL
@ 1/31/25

PROJECTED
2024-2025

CONTROL AUTHORITY
EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION

PROGRAM REQUESTED	
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MANAGER
PROPOSED

COUNCIL
RECOMMENDED

FINAL
ADOPTED

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304 ADVERTISING	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES
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SUB TOTAL	
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GRAND TOTAL	
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	TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET
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FUNCTION:	SOLID WASTE	2025-2026	
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ANNUAL BUDGET				
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY			DEPT NO.
SOLID WASTE	HAZARDOUS WASTE/RECYCLING			8401
EXPLANATION: The North Branford Recycling budget represents activities and funds for the Solid Hazardous Waste/Recycling Committee. The Committee, in conjunction with the Town Manager, plans and implements programs pertinent to residential recycling and hazardous waste disposal. Such programs include, but are not limited to: * Town wide participation in HazWaste Central, the regional collection center for hazardous material. * Curbside co-mingled residential pick up of recyclable items. * Drop off location for leaves (6 weeks in the fall and 4 weeks in the spring), 2 weeks curbside in the spring. This is an additional week for the residents . Electronics collection for residents 3 times per year. Collection of "film" plastics (plastic shopping bags, etc.) through a program with Trex.				
IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES State regulations regarding solid waste disposal, hazardous materials and recycling all have a significant influence on the activities of this department.				
HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25 Continue our electronic recycling program for disposal of all electronics for the residents which is free to the residents or the town. Continue our recycling program for residents to dispose of propane tanks with either no cost or a nominal fee. Bulky waste seems to have evened out by residents realizing it is collected only twice a year now. Leaves collected at the Public Works facility has been a successful program for residents to dispose of them. Looking in to a food waste program with DEEP. Our recycling of "film" through Big Y and Trex is a huge success! The Town has earned 12 Trex benches to date. Almost 4600 lbs. of plastic bags and "film" were collected this year.				
OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26 Continue with HazWaste Committee educating town residents about recycling, how to remove waste from the landfills, etc. Continue our advertising to residents to make them more aware of how to recycle plastic bags and film and collection sites throughout the Town. School Food Waste Diversion Pilot Program				
<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>2024-25 AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>2025-26 DEPT. REQUESTED</u>	<u>2025-26 MANAGER PROPOSED</u>	<u>2025-26 COUNCIL APPROVED</u>
Commission Clerk	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: SOLID WASTE					2025-2026		DEPT: 8401		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: HAZ WASTE/RECYCLING		2025-2026		
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
					<u>PERSONNEL SERVICES</u>				
\$750	\$1,025	\$1,300	\$575	\$1,300	51620 PART TIME	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$15	\$15	\$19	\$8	\$19	52200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$15	\$15	\$15	
\$7	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	52300 RETIREMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$772	\$1,040	\$1,319	\$583	\$1,319	SUB TOTAL	\$1,015	\$1,015	\$1,015	
					<u>MATERIALS & SUPPLIES</u>				
\$385	\$349	\$1,000	\$121	\$125	56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	208 HEATING FUEL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$385	\$349	\$1,000	\$121	\$125	SUB TOTAL	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
					<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$150	\$0	\$0	54100 TELEPHONE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,562	\$2,400	302 UTILITIES	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	
\$888	\$835	\$1,000	\$1,490	\$1,200	55500 PRINTING AND BINDING	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$0	\$0	\$500	\$0	\$0	309 POSTAGE/INSERTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$37	\$0	\$0	\$0	54301 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	319 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$17,321	\$19,178	\$24,000	\$20,000	\$22,000	55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$22,000	
\$18,209	\$20,050	\$25,650	\$23,052	\$25,600	SUB TOTAL	\$25,900	\$25,900	\$25,900	
					<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	501 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	SUB TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$19,365	\$21,438	\$27,969	\$23,757	\$27,044	GRAND TOTAL	\$27,915	\$27,915	\$27,915	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
PUBLIC WORKS	REFUSE REMOVAL	8403
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>The costs of refuse removal were incorporated in the General Fund operating budget for the first time in fiscal 1992-93. Previously, the Town had billed homeowners' twice per year for refuse collection. This budget includes the cost of household waste and recyclables collection, fees paid for waste disposal and rebates to condominiums that are not eligible for Town refuse collection service. Our new program with Simple Recycling generates revenue for the Town.</p> <p>IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES</p> <p>State mandates concerning solid waste disposal, recycling, and the disposal of "white goods" (appliances) and leaves have a significant impact on this budget. In addition, the Town is obligated to meet certain tonnage disposal requirements. The State's mandatory recycling percentage of 25% of solid waste is a level the Town is also obligated to meet.</p> <p>HIGHLIGHTS OF FY 2024-25</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Our plastic film program has earned benches for businesses here in town who have participated in this program. Total tonnage collected this year is approximately 450 tons. Two (2) benches are received free from Trex every year. 2 Electronics collections continue for the residents at no cost to them or the town (3) times per year. Propane tanks, helium tanks, tires are also collected during the Ewaste collections at a minimum charge to residents. 3 Looking in to a food waste program with a grant through DEEP. 4 Looking in to a clothing collection program to keep clothing out of the trash bin. 5 Lump sum contract with John's Refuse was in its second year. 6 Bulky waste collection options were explored <p>OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2025-26</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Continue efforts to reduce MSW and bulk and increase recycling volume town wide. 2 Increase public awareness of recycling and the benefits to the residents and the impact it has on reducing the budget. 3 Continue the new program with Trex to obtain park benches the Town and businesses who participate in the program. <p>PERSONNEL</p> <p>None</p>		

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: SOLID WASTE					2025-2026		DEPT: 8403		
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: REFUSE REMOVAL	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$1,398,864	\$1,526,547	\$1,576,113	\$1,474,242	\$1,576,113	<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u> 54101 OTHER CONTRACTUAL	\$1,619,766	\$1,619,766	\$1,619,766	
\$1,398,864	\$1,526,547	\$1,576,113	\$1,474,242	\$1,576,113	GRAND TOTAL	\$1,619,766	\$1,619,766	\$1,619,766	

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TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY					2025-2026				
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			CATEGORY SUMMATION	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$25,260	\$147,284	\$69,269	(\$23,840)	\$340,000	RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$265,000	
\$25,260	\$147,284	\$69,269	(\$23,840)	\$340,000	GRAND TOTAL	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$265,000	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
CONTINGENCY	RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY	9800
<p>EXPLANATION:</p> <p>Reserve for Contingency provides a reserve to meet unanticipated expenses during the fiscal year.</p> <p>The Town Council's contingency can only be spent by Town Council's authorization, and is used to meet unanticipated expenses during the fiscal year.</p> <p>IMPACT OF STATE MANDATES</p> <p>There are no direct impacts on this function, although new unfunded State mandates could cause the Town Council to appropriate funds from contingency to meet unanticipated expenditures.</p>		

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: BENEFITS, INSURANCE AND OTHER					2025-2026	DEPT: 9800			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$25,260	\$147,284	\$69,269	(\$23,840)	\$340,000	760 RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCY Council	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$265,000	
\$25,260	\$147,284	\$69,269	(\$23,840)	\$340,000	GRAND TOTAL	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$265,000	

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TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: OPERATING TRANSFERS					2025-2026				
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY:	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025	CATEGORY SUMMATION	PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$4,310,640	\$1,759,304	\$800,000	\$0	\$800,000	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	\$57,000	\$51,000	\$54,000	
\$4,310,640	\$1,759,304	\$800,000	\$0	\$800,000	GRAND TOTAL	\$57,000	\$51,000	\$54,000	

ANNUAL BUDGET		
FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	DEPT NO.
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	OPERATING TRANSFERS	9900
<p>Operating transfers out result in the reduction of a fund's expendable resources, but are not classified as expenditures. An operating transfer is a legally authorized transfer between funds, in which one fund is responsible for the initial receipt of funds (property taxes, sewer assessments, fees, etc.) and another fund is responsible for the actual disbursement. In the annual audit, the disbursing fund records the transactions as "Other Financing Uses" of resources and not as an operating expenditure. In a similar manner, the fund receiving the transfer does not record the receipts as revenue, but rather as "Other Financing Sources" of funds.</p>		

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
FUNCTION: OPERATING TRANSFERS					2025-2026	DEPT: 9900			
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			ACTIVITY: EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	2025 - 2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVES FUND	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FOR EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	TRANSFER FOR FACILITY MAINTENANCE RES.	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$750,000	\$275,000	\$325,000	\$0	\$325,000	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVES FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FIRE EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$815,000	\$225,000	\$219,000	\$0	\$219,000	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVES FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	PUBLIC WORKS RESERVE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$55,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO PW RESERVE - SMALLER ITEMS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$88,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	PARK MAINTENANCE RESERVE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO RESERVES FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	TRANSFER TO OPEB FUND	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	
\$450,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$25,000	\$65,000	\$0	\$65,000	TRANSFER TO REVALUATION FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO RESERVES FUND DEDUCTIBLES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVES	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	FUTURE DEBT	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO SEWER WORK OPERATING	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO 2021-22 CAP CENTRAL SERV.	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO 2021-22 CAP PUBLIC WORKS	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO 2021-22 CAP LIBRARY	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	TRANSFER TO 1831 CELEBRATION FUND	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO POLICE MAINTENANCE FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$1,924,640	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER TO 2022-23 CIP	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	TRANSFER TO COMMUNITY GIFT FUND	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	
					TRANSFER TO COMMUNITY GIFT FUND			\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER FOR 21-22 POLICE CAPITAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$48,000	\$299,304	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER FOR 23-24 CIP	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	TRANSFER FOR 20-21 EDUCATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$4,310,640	\$1,759,304	\$800,000	\$0	\$800,000	GRAND TOTAL	\$57,000	\$51,000	\$54,000	

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TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD ANNUAL BUDGET									
HISTORICAL INFORMATION		2024-25			CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS <i>PAID BY BUDGET FUNDS</i>	2025-2026			
2022-23 ACTUAL	2023-24 ACTUAL	BUDGETED	ACTUAL @ 1/31/25	PROJECTED 2024-2025		PROGRAM REQUESTED	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	FINAL ADOPTED
\$205,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0	\$65,000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$65,000	
\$240,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000	PUBLIC SAFETY	\$208,425	\$208,425	\$193,425	
\$661,800	\$817,000	\$817,000	\$0	\$817,000	PUBLIC WORKS	\$270,637	\$270,637	\$270,637	
\$55,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	RECREATION/SENIOR/CULTURE	\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	EDUCATION	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$50,000	
\$1,162,300	\$1,182,000	\$1,182,000	\$0	\$1,182,000	TOTAL	\$779,062	\$779,062	\$579,062	

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD

Capital Improvements Plan Descriptions 2025-26 Operating Budget

The following projects are recommended to be funded by budget funds:

Building Maintenance Fund – this addresses repairs to all Town buildings

Town Hall Securities Updates – items that have been identified as deficiencies

Police Vehicles – this is a systematic plan to maintain the fleet of Police vehicles

Fire – Extrication Tools – this will replace one complement of hydraulic rescue tools

Ambulance – LUCAS – this will replace on older LUCAS

Fire – firefighting gear to maintain proper gear for firefighters in compliance with guidelines

Public Works Small Equipment Reserves - these will allow for the replacement of various equipment to maintain the Public Works operations as recommended by the Director of Public Works

Pavement Overlay – as part of the Road Improvement Program constructed by the Town Engineer and Public Works Director, a portion will be funded by budget funds

Townwide Generator and Building Maintenance – currently, there is no way of knowing if generator exercise regularly and if there are issues that will prevent the generator from operating properly when needed. This will monitor three generators (NBIS, NBPD & NBPW)

JHS/TVES – Paving – areas of Jerome Harrison School and Totoket Valley Elementary School parking lots have been identified as needing repaving. This will address a portion of the identified areas.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD

RECOMMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED BY CURRENT BUDGET FUNDS

		<u>RECOMMENDED</u>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	Townwide Facility Maintenance Reserve	\$50,000
	Security Improvements - Town Hall	\$15,000
PUBLIC SAFETY	Police Vehicles	\$68,500
	Fire Extrication Tools	\$70,000
	Ambulance - replacement LUCAS	\$19,925
	Fire - firefighting gear	\$35,000
PUBLIC WORKS:	Public Works Small Equipment	\$25,000
	Pavement Overlay	\$238,137
	Townwide Generator and Building Monitoring (3 buildings)	\$7,500
EDUCATION	JHS/TVES Paving	\$50,000
TOTALS		<u>\$579,062</u>

2025-26 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 CIP PROJECTS	TOTAL 2025-2026 CIP REQUESTS			TOWN COUNCIL RECOMMENDED FUNDING 2025-26							
	DEPT REQUEST	MANAGER PROPOSED	COUNCIL RECOMMENDED	BUDGET FUNDS	BOND FUNDS	FUND BALANCE	OTHER FUNDING	FEDERAL/ STATE GRANTS	STATE AID - MUNI PROJ TOWN AID	LOCIP	TOTAL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT											
Security Improvements	\$14,000	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000							\$15,000
Town Building Facility Maintenance	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000							\$50,000
Computer Refresh	\$66,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Town Hall Office Doors on OpenPath	\$22,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Town Hall Flooring	\$50,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Town wide vehicle replacement reserve	\$0	\$0	\$200,000			\$200,000					\$200,000
Town wide forensic audit	\$0	\$0	\$75,000			\$75,000					\$75,000
PUBLIC SAFETY											
Police-vehicles	\$128,500	\$128,500	\$128,500	\$88,500			\$60,000 *				\$128,500
Fire-Equipment Reserve	\$550,000	\$550,000	\$325,000			\$325,000					\$325,000
Fire - Extrication Tools	\$140,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000							\$70,000
Ambulance - Replacement LUCAS	\$19,925	\$19,925	\$19,925	\$19,925							\$19,925
Fire - firefighting gear	\$75,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000							\$35,000
Fire - Fire Marshal vehicles	\$50,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$0			\$10,000 \$				\$10,000
Fire - gear washers	\$25,500	\$0	\$0								\$0
Communications - CLMRN Life Cycle Reserve	\$30,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
PUBLIC WORKS											
Equipment Reserve	\$548,000	\$548,000	\$379,000			\$379,000					\$379,000
Public Works - smaller equipment	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000							\$25,000
Security Upgrades at Public Works	\$35,000	\$0	\$35,000			\$35,000					\$35,000
Pavement Overlay	\$708,150	\$708,150	\$708,150	\$238,137					\$193,730	\$210,155	\$708,150
Fog Seal with Rejuvenator	\$70,919	\$70,919	\$70,919						\$70,919		\$70,919
Reconstruction	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000						\$30,000	\$20,000	\$50,000
Crack sealing	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000						\$50,000		\$50,000
Drainage	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000							\$30,000	\$30,000
Northford Center Study	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000							\$30,000	\$30,000
Townwide Generator and Building Monitoring	\$30,000	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500							\$7,500
CULTURE											
Library - sidewalk & curb replacement	\$60,000	\$0	\$60,000			\$60,000					\$60,000
RECREATION											
Resurfacing Northford Park Basketball & Tennis Courts	\$85,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Lighting Northford Park	\$600,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Picnic Tables - Augur Property	\$20,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Senior Center - replacement Van	\$0	\$0	\$125,000			\$125,000					\$125,000
EDUCATION											
JHS/TVES - Pavement - parking areas, playgrounds & driveways	\$375,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$50,000		\$200,000					\$250,000
TVES - Gymnasium HVAC	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$0							\$0
JHS - Replace original building management system	\$300,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Auditorium - Replace energy management system	\$185,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Auditorium - replace lobby floor	\$150,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
Multi Purpose Turf Field	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0								\$0
	\$7,372,994	\$2,637,994	\$2,748,994	\$579,062	\$0	\$1,399,000	\$70,000	\$0	\$273,730	\$301,074	\$2,748,994

*Other funding is the Police Vehicle Use fund \$ = sale of Tower 1 & insurance proceeds

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD OTHER FUNDS OVERVIEW

As part of the budgetary process, the Town Council also reviews and adopts budget proposals for special revenue funds, certain capital projects funds, and trust funds. Many of these funds provide revenue to the general fund to support certain activities. The revenue transferred to the general fund is shown on page 23 of the General Fund budget. The following is a brief description of the various "Other Funds":

Special Revenue Funds - The **Dog Fund** is the mechanism through which the Town receives revenue from the sale of dog licenses. An amount from this fund is transferred to the General Fund each year to offset Animal Control expenses. The **Town Aid - Road Funds** are used to track revenue and expenditures under the State-funded portion of the Town Road program. The **Community Gift Fund** is used to assist residents in need. Income comes from donations and fundraising; expenditures are administered through the Social Services department. The **Ambulance Fund** represents revenue and expenditures for the Town's ambulance service. Some ambulance revenue is transferred to the Capital Project Reserve for ambulance equipment. The **Police Extra Duty Fund** is used to track revenue and expense associated with the hiring of Town police for road construction projects and other activities. The **Reserve Fund** is used to track Record Preservation proceeds and the self-insurance reserve. The **Special Assessment Funds** are used to record the receipt and transfer of sewer and water assessments.

Capital Projects Funds - The **Capital and Non-Recurring Fund** is used to track the use of interest income earned on the proceeds from earlier sales of Town School property. Also, the redevelopment costs of the 1599 Foxon Road property are being charged to this fund based on the premise that if and when the property is sold, the proceeds will also flow through this fund.

The interest income is used to support small capital projects. The **Capital Sewer Assessment Funds** derive from supplemental assessment revenue and are used for non-operating sewer related expenditures. The **Capital Reserve Fund** includes Capital reserves for Fire Equipment, Public Works Equipment, Ambulance Equipment, Replacement and Repair of Office Equipment, Open Space purchases, major repairs at the Reynolds-Beers house and a reserve for paving projects. Funding for this fund derives from transfers from other Town funds. The **Local Capital Improvements (LoCIP) Fund** is used to track capital projects that are funded by the State LoCIP program.

Certain **Trust Funds** offset the cost of two departments' activities. The **Atwater and Smith Memorial Funds** provide investment income to the Town to offset library costs. The principal balance of these funds is protected by an irrevocable trust. The **Senior Citizens' Fund** is used for special, self-supporting activities of the Town's Senior Services program. Revenue derives from interest income and fees.

AS THE TOWN CONVERTS ITS FINANCIAL SOFTWARE TO MUNIS AND COMPLIES WITH THE UNIFORM CHART OF ACCOUNTS (UCOA) AS PRESCRIBED BY THE OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT, THE FUND NUMBERS AND LINE-ITEM OBJECT NUMBERS WILL DIFFER SIGNIFICANTLY

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PERSONAL SERVICES

SALARIES AND WAGES - Amounts paid to both permanent and temporary Town employees, including personnel substituting for those in permanent positions. This category includes gross salary for personal services rendered while on the payroll of the Town.

51610 FULL-TIME- Covers all full-time Town employees. Employees are reported by classification.

51620 PART-TIME - Covers part-time employees who work throughout the year. Stenographic work and custodial services related to the use of buildings for public meetings by boards and agencies are included in this category.

51630 OVERTIME - Covers all overtime used by full-time employees.

51910 HOLIDAY PAY - Contractual holiday pay paid to employees.

52300 DEFERRED COMPENSATION - Town matching contributions to the ICMA retirement trust deferred compensation program for AFSCME and Administrative employee groups.

51610 STRAIGHT TIME TRAINING - This account is used to represent the cost of training that our police officers are required to attend yearly to maintain their state certifications.

52200 SOCIAL SECURITY - This account represents the allocation of social security costs to departments or "cost centers".

MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES

Items that are consumed or deteriorated through use or that lose their identity through incorporation into different units or substances.

56120 OFFICE SUPPLIES - Paper, forms, pens and pencils, ink and other supplies used in the operation of an office. This includes supplies for typewriters, adding machines and office duplicating and copying machines (not cameras).

56900 TECHNICAL SUPPLIES - Cost of supplies particular to the using department or division. This code, if used by the Police Department, refers to police materials and supplies; in Parks and Recreation, it refers to Recreation materials and supplies; and so on. Supplies not particular to the using department or division which are not properly chargeable elsewhere should be coded 220 (example: medical supplies used by Parks and Recreation).

56010 CLEANING SUPPLIES - Soaps, detergents, disinfectants, cleaning solutions, waxes, mops, brooms, buckets and other expendable cleaning supplies. Purchases of more-permanent cleaning equipment (such as polishing machines) are coded under 57330.

54900 UNIFORMS AND CLOTHING - Purchased clothing and related equipment worn by Town employees.

56920 AGRICULTURAL SUPPLIES - Includes trees and shrubs, seed, fertilizer, insecticide, topsoil and other materials necessary for the landscaping or the cultivation of plants. This does not include farming or gardening tools, which are coded

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56290 CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE MATERIALS - Includes materials used in road building, maintenance and other construction, including lumber, plumbing and electrical fixtures, sewer pipe, cement, asphalt, sand, gravel and other street surfacing materials. Also included are winter maintenance chemicals.

56300 FOOD - Includes cost of purchased food used by Town functions. This does not include the cost of food obtained in a restaurant.

56240 HEATING FUEL

56260 MOTOR FUEL AND LUBRICANTS - Gasoline, diesel fuel, motor oil, grease and other fuel or lubricants used in the operation of motor vehicles or other motor equipment. This includes fuel used in stationary motors, such as generators.

54300 EQUIPMENT PARTS - Parts for all types of equipment, including motor vehicles, when the work is to be performed by Town employees. This includes parts that may be ordered for stock, as well as parts ordered for the immediate repair of a specific piece of equipment. When work is done by an outside contractor, charges for parts will be included in amounts charged to account 310 (Equipment Maintenance).

56400 BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS - Includes purchase of books, pamphlets and individual copies of periodicals not acquired through a subscription or membership, which is coded 305. Special printing ordered by a department is charged to account 303. For Library materials, see account 405.

56910 OTHER MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES - All materials and supplies not otherwise classified above.

CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

Services purchased to operate, repair, maintain and rent property owned or used by the Town which are performed by persons other than Town employees. Services that, by their nature, can be performed only by persons or firms with specialized skills and knowledge. Although a product may or may not result from the transaction, the primary reason for the purchase is the service provided.

54100 TELEPHONE - Charges for telephone, fax and similar communication services provided for the Town.

56220 UTILITIES - Charges for electricity, natural gas and water service available to the Town on a continuous basis. Telephone service is separately classified under 54100.

54411 WATER & SEWER

55500 PRINTING AND BINDING - All types of printing expenses ordered by the department, including printing of office forms done by an outside concern.

55400 ADVERTISING - All advertising, including legal notices and classified ads.

55800 TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION - Includes a) travel mileage reimbursement (if personal car be used) or the cost of round-trip coach fare for the employee; b) lodging for standard, single-occupancy room for the number of days of official

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business; and c) reasonable cost for meals and other expenses related to official business.

58910 CONTRIBUTIONS AND SUBSIDIES - Payments made representing the Town's share of a public or quasi-public institution, enterprise or organization (museum, historic landmark, etc.). Also, subsidies paid to groups sponsoring public events, celebrations and activities (baseball and football leagues, parades, pageants, etc.).

55301 POSTAGE - Includes all postage expenses, including postage, box rental and mailing permit fees.

54300 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE - Parts and labor costs of repair work or routine maintenance to office equipment and motor vehicles by outside forces. Maintenance contracts are included.

54301 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE - The cost of repair work done on buildings or other property (excluding equipment) by outside forces. Maintenance contracts are included. Charges for materials that include labor for installation should be included in this category.

54440 EQUIPMENT RENTAL - Rental costs for equipment for Town use, including duplicating or reproduction equipment.

51900 UNIFORM ALLOWANCE - Allowances paid to Town employees to offset the cost of uniforms and special clothing, including cleaning, which is required for the position, but is paid for by the employee.

54410 BUILDING RENTAL - Rental of land, buildings, office space

and storage space. Equipment rental should be charged to 312.

59500 WELFARE PAYMENTS - Assistance to public welfare participants, including direct-aid payments, as well as rent, utilities, mortgage payments or other charges allowed by the Social Services Department.

58200 LITIGATION - Fees for court and administrative panel appearances provided by the Town Attorney.

53510 DATA PROCESSING - Contractual cost of data processing services.

51900 INTERMUNICIPAL - Contractual payments to another municipality for services rendered.

53200 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - Memberships in societies and associations and subscriptions to magazines and other publications. Purchase of individual copies of publications is coded 211. Periodicals acquired by the Libraries for public circulation are coded 405. Includes (a) travel if personal car is used or the cost of round-trip coach fare for the employee; (b) lodging for standard single-occupancy room for the number of days of the conference or meeting; and © reasonable cost for meals and other expenses related to the conference or meeting.

55990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - Includes services of all types not properly chargeable against any of the other contractual service accounts.

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CAPITAL OUTLAY

Expenditures for acquiring fixed assets, including initial equipment, additional equipment and replacement of equipment.

- 57330 OFFICE EQUIPMENT - Office furniture, equipment and machinery used in office operation. Includes desks, files, chairs, cabinets, typewriters, adding and accounting machines, voting machines and data processing equipment. Library furniture is also included.
- 57200 BUILDING EQUIPMENT - Equipment that is part of a building or used in maintenance of a building (other than office equipment). Includes boilers, furnaces, generators, pumps, valves, partitions, electrical fixtures and similar equipment.
- 57320 AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT - Self-propelled vehicles normally carrying passengers or light equipment, such as sedans and station wagons.
- 57301 CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT - Equipment, whether self-propelled, towed or stationary, used in construction, repair or general maintenance, including trucks and equipment attached to trucks and other vehicles. Includes equipment used for street and sewer maintenance and repair, vehicle repair, snow removal and grounds maintenance. Portable generators and pumps are included, if related to the above, but not equipment used in building maintenance, which should be charged to account 402.
- 57310 TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT - Equipment particular to the using department or division generally bearing the same name as the using division (see explanation for code 56900).

- 57390 OTHER EQUIPMENT - All equipment that does not fall into one of the categories defined above.
- 57200 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION - All costs for the construction of Town buildings, including additions or alterations to existing buildings and their driveways and parking lots. Cost to include contracted labor and rental of equipment, as well as materials purchased.
- 57300 EQUIPMENT CONSTRUCTION - All costs for the construction of Town equipment used in offices and buildings and for automotive, highway, maintenance and technical needs. Costs to include contracted labor and rental of equipment, as well as materials purchased.
- 57442 ROAD OVERLAY - Costs for road overlay that prolongs the life of the road, but does not materially alter the construction of the road. Costs to include contracted labor and rental of equipment, as well as materials purchased.
- 57444 ROAD RECONSTRUCTION - Costs for road reconstruction that is, essentially, the construction of a new road in place of a previously-existing road. Costs to include contracted labor and rental of equipment, as well as materials purchased.
- 57420 DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION - Cost of installing a drainage system where no drainage system previously existed or where the old system was inadequate and is expanded or redesigned. Costs to include contracted labor and rental of equipment, as well as materials purchased.
- 57430 BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION - Cost for bridge reconstruction

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that prolongs the life of the bridge and/or materially alters the construction of the bridge. Costs to include contracted labor and rental of equipment, as well as materials purchased.

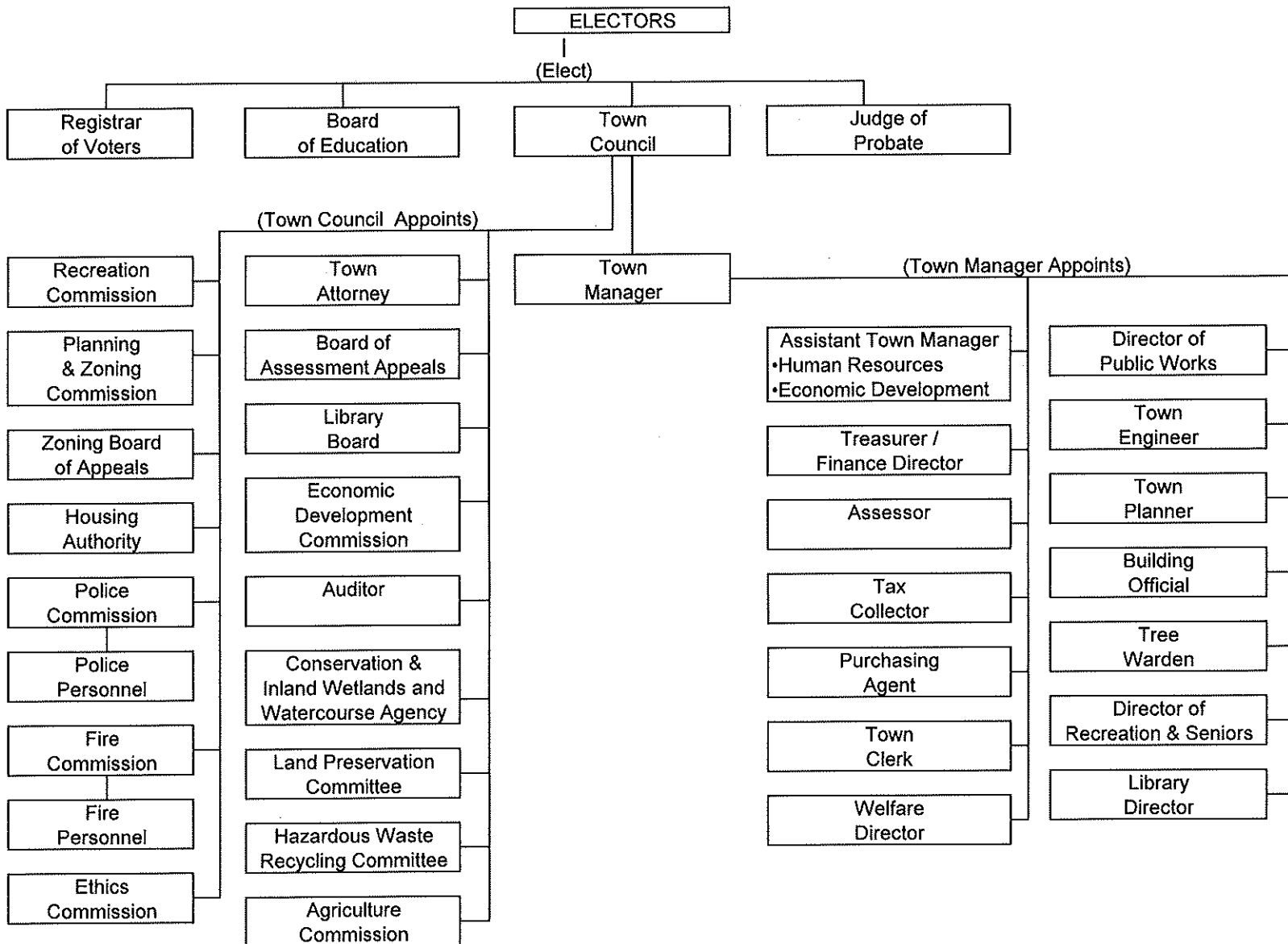
57410 SEWER CONSTRUCTION - Cost of installing a sewage system, or any part thereof, where no sewage system previously existed or where the old system was inadequate and is expanded or redesigned. Costs to include contracted labor and rental of equipment, as well as materials purchased.

57100 PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT - Costs of developing Town-owned property for recreational or other purposes.

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ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



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SUMMARY OF FULL-TIME & PART-TIME PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED - FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

	FULL-TIME			PART-TIME		
	2024-25	2025-26	Change	2024-25	2025-26	Change
Town Council	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Permanent Project Building Committee	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Town Manager	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Finance	3.0	3.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Central Service	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Assessor	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tax Collector	2.0	2.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Technology	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Town Clerk	2.0	2.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Planning & Zoning Commission	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
Planning	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Zoning Board of Appeals	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Conservation & Inland Wetlands	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Economic Development Commission	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Elections	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
Police/Communications	32.0	33.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fire	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.0	9.0	0.0
Building Department	1.3	1.3	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Public Works	23.0	23.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Engineering	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Social Services	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Library	7.0	7.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	0.0
Recreation, Senior, Community Center	3.0	3.0	0.0	6.0	6.0	0.0
Agriculture Commission	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
HazWaste/Recycling	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
TOTAL	<u>83.0</u>	<u>84.0</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>44.0</u>	<u>44.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>

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MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS
FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

GENERAL INFORMATION

Incorporated	1831
Settled	1650
Form of Government	Council-Manager
Chief Elected Official	Mayor
Chief Administrative Officer	Town Manager
Area of Town	26.8 sq miles
Estimated Population	13,535

PUBLIC SAFETY - POLICE

Number of Police Stations	1
Number of Police Officers	25
1 Police Chief	
1 Deputy Police Chief	
23 Police Officers	
Number of Vehicles	17

PUBLIC SAFETY - FIRE/AMBULANCE

Number of Fire Companies	3
Number of Ambulance Companies	1
Number of Volunteer Firefighters	90
Number of Volunteer EMT's	30
Number of Fire Vehicles	19
Number of Ambulances	4

PUBLIC SAFETY - COMMUNICATIONS

Number of dispatchers	5
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PUBLIC SAFETY - ANIMAL CONTROL

Number of Facilities	0
Number of dog wardens	0

TAX STRUCTURE

10/1/2023	
Mil Rate	35.93
Assessment Ratio	70%
Last Revaluation	10/1/2020

FULL TIME EMPLOYEES

Town Government	84
Board of Education	319.5
Instructional staff	169.5
Instructional support (1)	81
Other staff	69

EDUCATION **

Full time public teachers	169.5
Public school enrollment	1,624
Pupil/Teacher Ratio	9.6
2019-20 Gross Appropriation per pupil	\$19,973
Elementary Schools (10/2020)	2
students	711
Middle School (10/2020)	1
students	398
High School (10/2020)	1
students	498
Special Education (10/2020)	17

ELECTIONS

Town Elections	odd years	9
Town Council (members)		5
Board of Education (members)		2
Registrar of Voters		9,174
Registered Voters (11/23)		
Republicans	2,527	
Democrats	2,130	
Unaffiliated	4,399	
Other	118	

**** Source: Superintendent of Schools**