

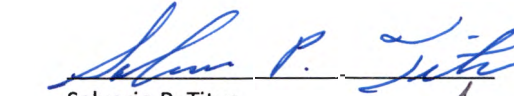
TOWN OF STAFFORD
WARNING OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Tuesday May 9, 2023

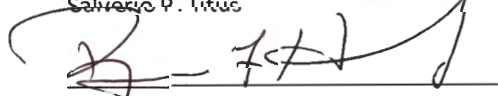
Electors and those persons eligible to vote in town meetings of the Town of Stafford, Connecticut, are hereby warned and notified that a Special Town Meeting will be held in the Stafford Community Center, Senior Center Room, Stafford, Connecticut, on May 9, 2023 at 6:30P.M. for the following purpose:

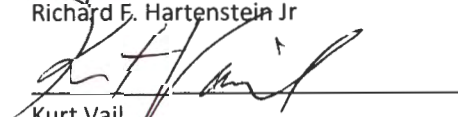
1. To approve the Town of Stafford budget in the amount of \$47,151,285 as approved and recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.
2. To appropriate the funds necessary to administer the Town of Stafford FY 2023-2024 budget as approved.
3. To approve two semi-annual installments on the Town of Stafford real estate list, motor vehicle list, and personal property list of October 1, 2022, payment due July 1, 2023 and January 1, 2024. Taxes due under \$200 to be paid in one installment due July 1, 2023.
4. To authorize the Tax Collector pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes 12-144c to waive the payment of any property tax due in the amount of \$2.00 or less due to the costs of collecting such tax (including the time expenditure required) are reasonably likely to equal or exceed the amount due.
5. To accept the grant and authorize the expenditure of Town Aid Road Funds for FY 23-24 from Fund # 64 in the amount of \$392,989.00.
6. To accept the grant and authorize the expenditure of LoCip (Local Capital Improvement Project) funds for FY 2023-2024 from Fund # 32 in the amount of \$105,827.00.
5. To approve the Water Pollution Control Facility budget in the amount of \$1,994,326 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.
6. To appropriate the funds necessary to administer the FY 2023/2024 Water Pollution Control Facility budget as approved.
7. To approve the Service District budget in the amount of \$460,450 as approved and recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.
8. To appropriate the funds necessary to administer the FY 2023/2024 Service District budget as approved.
9. To approve a transfer of \$23,591.25 from 20-220-7220 to 20-240-4400 as recommended by the Board of Finance at the March 6, 2023 meeting.
10. To elect Richard F. Hartenstein Jr to the Hyde Park Commission for a four (4) year term, term to expire 3-23-2027.
11. To elect Christina Spallacci to the Hyde Park Commission for a four (4) year term, term to expire 3-23-2027.
12. To do any other business proper to come before said meeting.

Dated at Stafford, Connecticut this 24th day of April 2023

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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TOWN OF STAFFORD 2023-2024 BUDGET PROPOSAL

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Board of Selectmen	\$	12,128,707
Debt Service	\$	3,018,352
Stafford Public Library	\$	576,675
Board of Education	\$	31,427,551
Total Expenditures	\$	47,151,285
Less: Estimated Revenues	\$	12,334,247
General Fund, other than taxes	\$	-
To be raised from taxes	\$	34,137,147

Based on an estimated grand list of \$870,420 and assuming a 98% collection
a mill rate of 39.22 will produce the necessary revenue.

BOARD OF FINANCE, Town of Stafford

Fran Moriarty, Chairperson	Matt McKenney	Richard Shuck
Tony Pellegrino	Steven Geryk	David Walsh
Donald Martinsen, Alt	Conrado Ulloa, Alt.	Shelley H. West, Alt

		ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2021-2022	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
100	Board of Selectmen	655,468	692,494	246,801
105	Grants & Community Development			94,310
110	Probate Court	4,993	6,000	6,000
115	IT Technology	182,819	150,267	224,420
125	Human Resources	-	5,905	77,674
120	Registrars	52,852	66,152	70,370
130	Board of Finance	38,700	87,300	87,300
140	Board of Assessors	98,613	102,345	224,934
150	Board of Assessment Appeals	6,221	6,361	6,848
160	Tax Collector	86,579	91,280	207,072
170	Treasurer	117,319	108,306	385,298
180	Town Counsel	43,080	46,500	50,000
190	Town Clerk	90,158	93,592	290,141
200	Buildings	528,670	632,462	680,001
205	Fuel Oil	61,589	89,000	90,000
210	Fixed Charges	2,427,266	2,474,405	1,307,661
220	Capital Outlay	50,637	60,000	60,000
230	Judgment & Losses	-	3,000	-
	Total General Government	4,444,963	4,715,369	4,108,830
PUBLIC SAFETY				
240	Safety & Protection	97,556	86,430	158,488
248	Fire Marshal	76,664	80,601	127,648
241	Police Protection	925,972	922,940	930,178
245	Fire and Ambulance Service	1,098,463	1,170,930	1,111,939
	Total Public Safety	2,198,654	2,260,901	2,328,253
HEALTH				
270	Building Department/Zoning/Wetlands	204,818	216,866	368,573
280	Transfer Station Operations	544,751	623,570	731,150
250	Disaster Expenses COVID-19	15,412	-	-
500	Health District/Health Services	55,779	57,000	56,000
	Total Health	820,761	897,436	1,155,723

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2021-2022	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES			
300	General Highways	2,276,192	2,315,695
310	Town Aid Road	300,679	396,978
	Total Highways and Bridges	2,576,871	2,712,673
PARKS AND RECREATION			
320	Recreation Commission	115,619	138,320
505	Community Center	137,726	172,931
330	Parks	432,206	434,380
345	Holidays	25,440	29,000
	Total Parks and Recreation	710,991	774,631
SUNDRY			
450	Arts Commission	-	4,000
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510	Stafford Family Services	267,303	301,270
515	DCF	28,228	28,228
520	DMHAS	76,535	76,535
	Total Sundry	372,066	410,038
PLANNING AND ZONING			
370	Economic Development Commission	1,581	2,000
380	Conservation Commission	2,000	2,000
	Total Planning and Zoning	3,581	4,000
FINANCE USES			
998	Transfers Out	275,855	95,425
	Total Finance Uses	275,855	95,425
CAPITAL PROJECTS/LEASES			
790	Capital Projects & Leases		397,483
SUBTOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN			
		11,403,741	11,870,473
STAFFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY			
		518,578	574,457
DEBT SERVICE			
		5,767,525	2,408,276
BOARD OF EDUCATION			
		29,043,766	29,879,413
TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET			
		46,733,610	44,732,619

	ACTUAL REVENUES FY 2021-2022	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2022-2023	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2023-2024
GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	27,873,669	26,272,258	29,240,185
MV TAXES @ 32.46 (CAPPED)		3,884,671	4,053,001
MV TAX CAP REIMBURSEMENT		396,916	843,961
AUTO TAX SUPPLEMENT	455,591	400,000	400,000
PRIOR TAXES	472,624	500,000	500,000
SUSPENSE COLLECTIONS	22,852	20,000	20,000
INTEREST & LIEN FEES	318,783	300,000	300,000
TRANSFERS IN	223,955	279,955	20,000
CASH BALANCE FUND	-	-	-
REVENUES FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN	4,126,174	3,692,332	3,043,162
REVENUES FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION	9,587,143	9,561,487	9,300,976
BAN PROCEEDS	3,384,963		
ADJUSTMENT FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	-	(500,000)	(500,000)
ABATEMENT	-	(75,000)	(70,000)
TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET	46,465,754	44,732,619	47,151,285

Net Assessment: Town FY 23/24		
Mill Rate:		39.22
Amount to be raised in taxes	\$	34,137,147

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY 2023-2024 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2021-2022	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024
OPERATING EXPENSES	1,382,152	1,902,542	1,899,358
ADJUSTMENT FOR UNCOLLECTED FEES	-	95,130	94,968
TOTAL WPCF EXPENDITURE BUDGET	1,382,152	1,997,672	1,994,326

	ACTUAL REVENUES FY 2021-2022	ESTIMATED REVENUES FY 2022-2023	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2023-2024
INVESTMENT INCOME	4,177	950	950
INTEREST, LIENS, PRIOR COLLECTIONS	168,094	55,000	55,000
SEWER USER FEES	1,881,739	1,829,722	1,889,526
CONNECTION & INSPECTION FEES	1,000	9,000	9,000
HOUSING AUTHORITY IN LIEU OF TAXES	-	5,500	5,500
OTHER -	63,986	65,000	-
FEES, SEPTIC DUMPINGS	-	32,500	34,350
CASH BALANCE	-	-	-
TOTAL WPCF REVENUE BUDGET	2,118,996	1,997,672	1,994,326

SERVICE DISTRICT 2023-2024 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2021-2022	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024
ADMINISTRATION/JUDGMENTS & LOSSES	1,810	1,750	2,250
GARBAGE & LEAF PICKUP	223,767	243,000	245,000
LIGHTS	48,216	45,000	45,000
HYDRANTS	123,000	129,000	147,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	0	20,000	20,000
TOWN CLERK LIENS & RELEASES	798	800	800
JUDGEMENT & LOSSES	372	400	-
TOTAL SERVICE DISTRICT EXPENDITURES	397,963	439,950	460,050

	ACTUAL REVENUES FY 2021-2022	ESTIMATED REVENUES FY 2022-2023	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2023-2024
DISTRICT TAXES	383,824	412,050	398,550
PRIOR TAXES	20,208	4,500	5,500
INTEREST & LIEN FEES	3,557	4,000	2,000
SUPPLEMENTAL	6,877	5,500	-
PRIOR YEAR INTEREST & LIEN FEES	6,750	1,500	2,300
INTEREST INCOME	1,079	800	500
SUSPENSE COLLECTIONS	576	400	400
INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES	15,246	15,200	15,200
MISCELLANEOUS			
HOUSING AUTHORITY IN LIEU OF TAXES	0	1,000	1,000
ADJUSTMENT FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	0	(5,000)	(5,000)
CASH RESERVE	0		40,000
TOTAL SERVICE DISTRICT REVENUES	438,117	439,950	460,450

Net Assessment: Service District FY 23/24	
Mill Rate	2.53
Amount to be raised in taxes	398,550