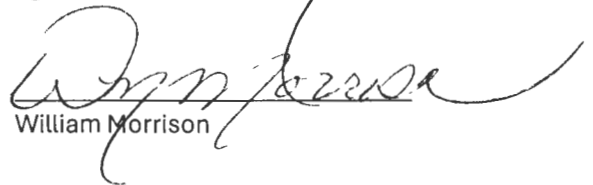


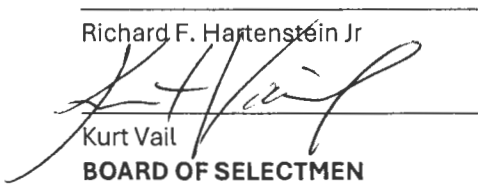
**TOWN OF STAFFORD
WARNING OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Thursday April 11, 2024**

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 Warren Memorial Town Hall, Veterans Meeting Room, Stafford, Connecticut, on April 11, 2024 at 6:00P.M. for the following purpose:

1. To approve the Town of Stafford budget in the amount of \$47,365,444.40 as approved and recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.
2. To appropriate the funds necessary to administer the Town of Stafford FY 2024-2025 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, 2023, payment due July 1, 2024 and January 1, 2025. Taxes due under \$200 to be paid in one installment due July 1, 2024.
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 24-25 from Fund # 64 in the amount of \$393,289.00.
6. To accept the grant and authorize the expenditure of LoCip (Local Capital Improvement Project) funds for FY 2024-2025 from Fund # 32 in the amount of \$160,129.00
7. To approve the Water Pollution Control Facility budget in the amount of \$2,139,774.00 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2024.
8. To appropriate the funds necessary to administer the FY 2024/2025 Water Pollution Control Facility budget as approved.
9. To approve the Service District budget in the amount of \$500,780 as approved and recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.
10. To appropriate the funds necessary to administer the FY 2024/2025 Service District budget as approved.
11. To do any other business proper to come before said meeting.


Dated at Stafford, Connecticut this 3rd day of April 2024


William Morrison

Richard F. Hartenstein Jr

Kurt Vail
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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TOWN OF STAFFORD 2024-2025 BUDGET PROPOSAL

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Board of Selectmen	12,677,376.00
Debt Service	3,015,033.00
Stafford Public Library	587,180.50
Board of Education	31,085,854.90
Total Expenditures	47,365,444.40
Less: All other Revenues	13,623,462.36
To be raised from taxes	33,741,982.04

Based on an estimated grand list of \$874,461 and assuming a 98% collection a mill rate of 38.59 will produce the necessary revenue.

BOARD OF FINANCE, Town of Stafford

Steve Geryk, Chairperson	Matt McKenney	Harold Blake Hatch
Tony Pellegrino	Anthony Armelin	David Walsh
Robert Proulx, Alt	Conrado Ulloa, Alt.	Shelley H. West, Alt

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2024-2025
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
100 Board of Selectmen	686,400	246,450	233,354.00
105 Grants & Community Development	0	94,837	115,151.00
110 Probate Court	4,610	6,000	5,000.00
115 IT Technology	175,418	224,438	222,482.00
120 Registrars	66,713	77,674	100,319.00
125 Human Resources	2,927	63,127	70,953.00
130 Board of Finance	87,459	87,300	85,100.00
140 Assesor Office	107,395	223,461	227,877.00
150 Board of Assessment Appeals	4,267	6,848	6,985.00
160 Tax Collector	90,599	207,190	197,001.00
170 Treasurer	167,669	357,352	361,368.00
180 Town Counsel	55,432	50,000	40,000.00
190 Town Clerk	88,607	288,973	292,165.00
200 Buildings	604,287	650,172	670,903.00
205 Fuel Oil	84,321	90,000	83,000.00
210 Fixed Charges	2,429,359	1,292,483	1,322,627.00
220 Capital Outlay	69,882	50,000	50,000.00
230 Judgment & Losses		-	-
Total General Government	4,725,345	4,016,305	4,084,285.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			
240 Safety & Protection	112,778	149,493	172,792.00
248 Fire Marshal	76,938	136,192	-
241 Police Protection	739,578	839,745	904,780.00
245 Fire and Ambulance Service	1,363,582	1,101,939	1,193,563.00
Total Public Safety	2,292,876	2,227,369	2,271,135.00
HEALTH			
270 Permits & Inspections Dept	235,625	381,430	517,462.00
280 Transfer Station Operations	545,751	691,205	710,650.00
250 Disaster Expenses COVID-19	0	-	-
500 Health District/Health Services	53,870	56,000	56,000.00
Total Health	835,246	1,128,635	1,284,112.00

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2024-2025
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES			
300 General Highways	1,977,796	2,229,256	3,065,790.00
310 Town Aid Road	16,627	-	-
Total Highways and Bridges	1,994,423	2,229,256	3,065,790.00
PARKS AND RECREATION			
320 Recreation Commission	159,714	84,107	85,159.00
505 Community Center	160,537	231,545	233,587.00
330 Parks	390,332	587,733	589,624.00
345 Holidays	30,521	34,050	34,050.00
Total Parks and Recreation	741,104	937,435	942,420.00
SUNDRY			
450 Arts Commission	2,783	2,000	4,000.00
490 Pollution Abatement	0	-	-
510 Stafford Family Services	283,889	393,331	380,291.00
515 DCF	41,099	42,348	31,832.00
520 DMHAS	80,389	79,296	82,737.00
Total Sundry	408,160	516,975	498,860.00
PLANNING AND ZONING			
370 Economic Development Commission	243	-	1,000.00
380 Conservation Commission	1,976	1,000	2,000.00
Total Planning and Zoning	2,219	1,000	3,000.00
FINANCE USES			
670 Transfers Out	2,105,000	145,000	177,000.00
Total Finance Uses	2,105,000	145,000	177,000.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS/LEASES			
790 Capital Projects & Leases	0	397,483	350,774.00
SUBTOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN	13,104,373	11,599,458	12,677,376.00
STAFFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY	536,173	572,960	587,180.50
DEBT SERVICE	2,407,499	3,018,352	3,015,033.00
BOARD OF EDUCATION	29,985,100	30,252,862	31,085,854.90
TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET	46,033,145	45,443,632	47,365,444.40
	ACTUAL REVENUES FY 2022-2023	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2023-2024	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2024-2025
GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	29,360,378	27,405,365	29,178,552.60
MV TAXES @ 32.46 (CAPPED)	3,884,671	4,053,001	3,838,926.00
MV TAX CAP REIMBURSEMENT	446,406	536,677	724,503.00
AUTO TAX SUPPLEMENT	387,964	400,000	380,000.00
PRIOR TAXES	673,580	500,000	500,000.00
SUSPENSE COLLECTIONS	29,890	20,000	20,000.00
INTEREST & LIEN FEES	402,846	300,000	100,000.00
TRANSFERS IN	257,318	20,000	18,000.00
CASH BALANCE FUND	0		-
REVENUES FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN	4,052,176	3,227,102	4,071,975.36
REVENUES FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION	9,565,650	9,551,487	9,551,487.00
BAN PROCEEDS	0		-
ADJUSTMENT FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	0	-500,000	(500,000.00)
ABATEMENT	-75,000	-70,000	(60,000.00)
TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET	44,729,802	45,443,632	47,365,444.40
Net Assessment: Town FY 24/25			
Mill Rate:			38.59
Amount to be raised in taxes			33,741,982.04

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY 2024-2025 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2024-2025
OPERATING EXPENSES	1,402,736.28	1,899,358	2,037,880
ADJUSTMENT FOR UNCOLLECTED FEES	98,224.62	94,968	101,894
TOTAL WPCF EXPENDITURE BUDGET	1,500,960.90	1,994,326	2,139,774

	ACTUAL REVENUES FY 2022-2023	ESTIMATED REVENUES FY 2023-2024	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2024-2025
INVESTMENT INCOME	4,819.89	950	950
INTEREST, LIENS, PRIOR COLLECTIONS	104,333.36	55,000	70,000
SEWER USER FEES	1,730,473.77	1,889,526	1,991,474
CONNECTION & INSPECTION FEES	8,500.00	9,000	29,000
HOUSING AUTHORITY IN LIEU OF TAXES	14,310.91	5,500	14,000
OTHER -	53,780.04	-	-
FEES, SEPTIC DUMPINGS	4,303.13	34,350	34,350
CASH BALANCE	-	-	-
TRANSFER IN	86,770.40		
TOTAL WPCF REVENUE BUDGET	2,007,291.50	1,994,326	2,139,774

SERVICE DISTRICT 2024-2025 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FY 2022-2023	APPROVED EXPENDITURES FY 2023-2024	RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES FY 2024-2025
ADMINISTRATION/JUDGMENTS & LOSSES	1,636.00	2,250	2,050
FICA			150
GARBAGE & LEAF PICKUP	239,520.61	245,000	290,000
LIGHTS	36,641.90	45,000	44,780
HYDRANTS	129,231.68	147,400	143,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	-	20,000	20,000
TOWN CLERK LIENS & RELEASES	490.00	800	800
JUDGEMENT & LOSSES	23.17	-	0.00
TOTAL SERVICE DISTRICT EXPENDITURES	407,543.36	460,450	500,780

	ACTUAL REVENUES FY 2022-2023	ESTIMATED REVENUES FY 2023-2024	ANTICIPATED REVENUES FY 2024-2025
DISTRICT TAXES	327,924.27	398,550	448,417
PRIOR TAXES	12,304.83	5,500	5,500
INTEREST & LIEN FEES	1,324.67	2,000	1,500
SUPPLEMENTAL	-	-	0
PRIOR YEAR INTEREST & LIEN FEES	8,468.47	2,300	1,000
INTEREST INCOME	258.62	500	500
SUSPENSE COLLECTIONS	642.84	400	400
INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES	15,246.00	15,200	15,200
MISCELLANEOUS	50,258.00		0
HOUSING AUTHORITY IN LIEU OF TAXES	678.40	1,000	1,000
ADJUSTMENT FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	-	(5,000)	(5,000)
CASH RESERVE		40,000	32,263
TOTAL SERVICE DISTRICT REVENUES	417,106.10	460,450	500,780

Net Assessment: Service District FY 24/25	
Mill Rate	2.78
Amount to be raised in taxes	448,417