

Minutes of the March 12, 2019 and March 14, 2019 Budget Presentations

Public Budget Hearings were held by the Board of Finance beginning at 7:30 PM each night on TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019 (Selectman's Budget) in the Town Hall Auditorium, and THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019 (Board of Education Budget Presented by BOE Chairman Mark Mathias) in the Town Hall Auditorium, to review the 2019-20 Budget requests of the Town of Westport.

Those in attendance were: Brian Stern (Chair), Mike Rea (Vice-Chair), Jim Westphal, Lee Caney, Sheri Gordon, Andrea Moore and Nancie Dupier. The Selectman's budget hearing started at 7:33 PM and concluded until the next meeting on March 14, 2019 at 11:44 PM. The Board of Education meeting started at 7:30 PM. Meeting was adjourned by Motion of Lee Caney, second by Nancie Dupier at 9:30 PM. Attached are the action items of the Board of Finance for these budget

The following is a summary of the Budget requests as presented to the Board of Finance.

(A complete copy of the Budget is on file in the Town Clerk's office 'or online www.westportct.gov under the Selectman's office)

TOWN OF WESTPORT REQUESTED BUDGET FOR THE 2019-20 FISCAL YEAR:

GENERAL FUND:	2017-18 Actual	2018-19 Budget	2018-19 Projected	2019-20 Requested
Revenues				
Current Taxes	184,580,054	185,283,509	185,283,509	TBD
Prior Taxes	1,369,206	1,500,000	2,350,000	1,500,000
Education	870,335	427,167	1,002,419	923,635
Parks & Recreation	5,231,585	5,976,812	5,826,812	5,826,137
Other	10,351,297	8,961,880	10,750,714	10,077,989
Transfers	887,000	1,187,000	1,187,000	1,187,000
Total Revenues:	203,289,477	203,336,368	206,400,454	19,514,761
Expenditures				
01 General Government	5,895,080	6,066,044	6,200,615	6,379,438
02 Public Safety	21,199,720	21,292,134	21,394,975	21,990,149
03 Public Works	9,854,517	10,143,062	10,170,409	10,679,334
13 Facilities Management	0	0	0	200,000
05 Human Services	1,147,465	1,188,423	1,218,358	1,287,436
08 Parks & Recreation	5,527,472	6,170,343	6,191,775	6,412,379
09 Pension,OPEB,Insurance & Misc.	24,713,289	24,310,284	24,171,250	24,593,963
10 Debt Service	3,292,006	3,238,284	3,971,575	3,647,824
11 Transfers to Other Funds	1,889,144	1,868,165	1,868,165	1,368,165
Special Appropriations	41,113			
Town Totals:	73,518,693	74,276,739	75,187,121	76,558,688
Board of Education Expenditures				
650 Board of Education	113,915,981	116,173,800	116,173,800	118,500,464
650 School Security	1,011	0	0	0
650 BOE Program Expenses	144,941	124,225	124,225	140,713
651 BOE Rental/Reimbursements	139,207	0	0	0
652 Aid to Pvt/Parochial Schools	368,636	386,995	386,995	393,800
654 BOE Debt Service	11,053,555	10,628,162	10,628,162	9,556,912
656 Transfer to Capital Nonrecurring Fund	250,000	0	0	0
Teacher Retirement System Contribution	0	0	0	607,762
Total Education	125,873,331	127,313,182	127,313,182	129,199,651
04 Health	547,789	578,111	578,111	583,611
07 Library	4,900,096	4,871,703	4,871,703	5,085,375
907 Earthplace	95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000
915 Westport Transit District	278,617	358,300	358,300	355,000
Total General Fund Expenditures:	205,213,525.07	207,493,035	208,403,417	211,877,325
RAILROAD PARKING FUND:				
Revenues				
Parking Permits	1,475,744	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,450,000
Daily Parking	454,759	550,000	550,000	500,000
Rent & Miscellaneous	82,930	82,000	82,000	90,000
Interest Income	235	500	500	500
Transfer From Other Funds	36,678	0	0	0
Total Revenues:	2,050,346	2,032,500	2,032,500	2,040,500
Expenditures				
219 Railroad Parking	1,623,019	1,832,990	1,944,464	2,071,049
WAKEMAN FARM FUND:				
Revenues				
Wakeman Farm Revenues	242,122	241,835	241,835	288,504
Expenditures				
215 Wakeman Farm	182,280	220,728	220,728	284,840
SEWER FUND:				
Revenues				
Assessments	936,595	900,000	950,000	975,000
Use Charges	3,191,742	3,160,000	3,160,000	3,250,000
Carrying Charges	260,737	300,000	300,000	300,000
Other	157,798	249,000	129,000	165,000
Transfer From Other Funds	368,165	368,165	368,165	368,165
Total Revenues:	4,915,037	4,977,165	4,907,165	5,058,165
Expenditures				
03 Sewage Treatment/Collection	1,682,589	1,814,343	1,828,400	1,885,730
09 Miscellaneous	441,012	435,868	435,868	435,868
10 Debt Service	2,501,142	2,533,412	2,533,412	2,724,983
11 Transfers To Other Funds	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures:	4,624,743	4,783,623	4,797,680	5,046,581

BUDGET SUMMARY - EXPENSE					
ACCOUNTS FOR:	2020	CHANGES	2020	PCT	PCT
101 General Fund	SELECTMAN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	(-)	BOF PROPOSED BUDGET	CHANGE	DOLLAR
110 R T M	47,464		47,464	-8.47%	(4,393)
120 Selectmen	423,025		423,025	12.39%	46,650
132 Probate Court	14,000		14,000	0.00%	0
140 Registrars	129,358		129,358	1.48%	1,890
142 Elections	135,933		135,933	6.70%	8,534
150 Board of Finance	2,500		2,500	0.00%	0
151 Finance Department	817,757		817,757	-1.40%	(11,629)
152 Audit	159,000		159,000	3.99%	6,100
153 Personnel	383,074		383,074	5.14%	18,724
154 Assessor	535,253		535,253	1.90%	9,980
156 Tax Collector	354,730		354,730	-0.15%	(532)
157 Information Technology	1,057,842		1,057,842	18.55%	165,522
158 Board of Assessment	2,125		2,125	0.00%	0
170 Town Attorney	750,322		750,322	-1.96%	(15,000)
180 Town Clerk	414,465		414,465	-11.62%	(54,512)
181 Historic District	78,675		78,675	3.73%	2,829
182 Conservation	399,526		399,526	-2.50%	(10,244)
185 Planning & Zoning	644,507		644,507	2.25%	14,174
187 Zoning Board of Appeals	29,882		29,882	2.50%	729
980 Storms	0		0	0.00%	0
01 General Government	6,379,438	0	6,379,438	2.88%	178,823
Motion to approve by S.Gordon, second by L.Caney - Motion to amend by reducing \$50K			by J. Westphal, second by M. Rea Vote fails 5-2,		
5 Against (Stern,Gordon,Moore,Dupier&Caney) 2 For(Westphal & Rea)			Main Motion approved unanimous 7-0-0		

ACCOUNTS FOR:	2020	CHANGES	2020	PCT	PCT
	SELECTMAN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	(-)	BOF PROPOSED BUDGET	CHANGE	DOLLAR
101 General Fund					
210 Police	8,845,150		8,845,150	1.92%	166,803
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea vote unanimous 7-0-0				
214 Police Vehicle Maintenance	356,524		356,524	0.11%	400
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea vote unanimous 7-0-0				
216 Dog Warden	155,998		155,998	1.83%	2,807
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea vote unanimous 7-0-0				
218 Emergency Medical	1,264,238		1,264,238	-0.33%	(4,140)
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by N. Dupier- vote unanimous 7-0-0				
220 Fire Department	9,630,382		9,630,382	5.24%	479,527
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by A. Moore- vote unanimous 7-0-0				
221 Water Service-Fire	1,172,364		1,172,364	-3.21%	(38,920)
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea vote unanimous 7-0-0				
225 Building Inspection	487,248		487,248	-2.72%	(13,614)
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea vote unanimous 7-0-0				
250 Emergency Management	78,245		78,245	3.04%	2,312
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea vote unanimous 7-0-0				
02 Public Safety	21,990,149	0	21,990,149	2.78%	595,174
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by N. Dupier- vote unanimous 7-0-0				
310 Engineering	891,381		891,381	1.04%	9,133
320 Highway	1,860,906		1,860,906	-0.97%	(18,192)
321 Equipment Maintenance	383,747		383,747	0.05%	200
322 Road Maintenance	2,245,000		2,245,000	-1.69%	(38,575)
324 Street Lighting	240,000	(40,000)	200,000	-16.67%	(40,000)
332 Solid Waste Disposal	2,664,579		2,664,579	23.21%	501,943
350 Building Maintenance	1,321,500		1,321,500	3.75%	47,755
352 Building Custodian	337,148		337,148	-2.51%	(8,687)
360 Property Maintenance	37,800		37,800	48.24%	12,300
361 P&R Property Maintenance	370,500		370,500	-2.19%	(8,300)
370 Tree Maintenance	326,773		326,773	3.60%	11,348
03 Public Works	10,679,334	(40,000)	10,639,334	4.61%	468,925
	Motion to reduce Street Lighting at \$200K- (recusion of \$40K) by B. Stern, second by N. Dupier - vote unanimous 7-0-0				
13 Facilities Management	200,000		200,000	100.00%	200,000
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea- Vote unanimous 7-0-0				

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	SELECTMAN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	(-)	BOF PROPOSED BUDGET	CHANGE	DOLLAR
101 General Fund					
410 Health District	579,911		579,911	0.96%	5,500
412 Health Services	3,700		3,700	0.00%	0
04 Health	583,611	0	583,611	0.95%	5,500
510 Youth Services	293,195		293,195	5.53%	15,360
520 Social Services	448,918		448,918	0.49%	2,174
530 Senior Services	545,323		545,323	10.44%	51,544
05 Human Services	1,287,436	0	1,287,436	5.67%	69,078
Motion to approve by L. Caney, second by S. Gordon- vote unaimouus 7-0-0					
650 Board of Education	118,500,464	(250,000)	118,250,464	1.79%	2,076,664
Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by A. Moore, Motion to reduce by \$250,000 by L. Caney second by N. Dupier-Vote Unanimous 7-0-0					
650 Program Expenses	140,713		140,713	13.27%	16,488
650 School Security			0	0.00%	0
651 BOE Rentals/Reimbursements	0		0	0.00%	0
652 Aid to Pvt & Parochial	393,800		393,800	1.76%	6,805
654 Debt Service-Long Term Debt	9,556,912		9,556,912	-10.08%	(1,071,250)
656 BOE Transfers to Other Funds	0		0	0.00%	0
Teacher Retirement System Contribution	607,762	(607,762)	0	100.00%	0
06 Education	129,199,651	(857,762)	128,341,889	0.81%	1,028,707
Motion to approve by M. Rea, second by B. Stern -vote unanimous 7-0-0 (Excluded Teacher Retirement estimate)					
750 Library Board	4,798,829	(100,000)	4,698,829	3.66%	166,090
751 Library Pension Fund	286,546		286,546	-15.46%	(52,418)
07 Library	5,085,375	(100,000)	4,985,375	2.33%	113,672
Library reduced request by \$100K. Motion to approve \$4,985,375.00 by B. Stern, second by M. Rea - approved unanimously 7-0-0					

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101 General Fund	SELECTMAN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	(-)	BOF PROPOSED BUDGET	CHANGE	DOLLAR
810 P&R Administration	636,499		636,499	2.28%	14,184
812 Guest Services	299,831		299,831	-1.38%	(4,204)
820 Maintenance Administration	1,410,971		1,410,971	15.66%	191,089
830 Boating	470,707		470,707	13.05%	54,325
831 Parks Maintenance	392,693		392,693	-6.28%	(26,299)
832 Golf	1,264,075		1,264,075	1.46%	18,175
833 Athletic Fields Maintenance	101,500		101,500	-22.22%	(29,000)
834 Tennis	122,802		122,802	2.32%	2,786
835 Skate Park	23,380		23,380	-27.65%	(8,934)
836 Beach & Pool	461,720		461,720	1.42%	6,483
838 Recreation Program	1,203,701		1,203,701	-1.07%	(13,001)
840 Memorial & Veteran	9,500		9,500	0.00%	0
08 Parks and Recreation	6,397,379	(100,000)	6,297,379	1.71%	105,604
Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by L. Caney, Motion to amend and cut \$100K made by J. Westphal, second by S. Gordon,					
approved unaimously 7-0-0. Motion to approve amended motion of \$6,297,379 approved unaimously 7-0-0					

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101 General Fund	SELECTMAN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	(-)	BOF PROPOSED BUDGET	CHANGE	DOLLAR
901 Pensions	12,368,162		12,368,162	7.20%	830,700
	Motion to approve by L. Caney, second by A. Moore -vote unaimous 7-0-0				
902 Insurance	10,672,792		10,672,792	-5.25%	(590,857)
	Motion to approve by L. Caney, second by A. Moore -vote unaimous 7-0-0				
903 Social Security	1,245,000		1,245,000	1.42%	17,395
	Motion to approve by L. Caney, second by A. Moore -vote unaimous 7-0-0				
905 Unemployment Compensation	38,000		38,000	0.00%	0
	Motion to approve by L. Caney, second by A. Moore -vote unaimous 7-0-0				
907 Earthplace	95,000		95,000	0.00%	0
	Motion to approve by M. Rea, second by N. Dupier vote -unanimous 7-0-0				
911 Miscellaneous	83,009		83,009	0.00%	0
	Motion to approve by M. Rea, second by N. Dupier vote -unanimous 7-0-0				
915 Westport Transit District	355,000	(115,000)	240,000	-33.02%	(118,300)
	Motion to approve by M. Rea, second by B. Stern-Motion to amend by cutting \$115K made by L. Caney, second by B. Stern carried by a vote of 6-1 (Rea opposed). Main motion to approve Transit District budget at \$240K approved 6-1 (Rea opposed)				
917 Reserve: Salary Adjustments	180,000		180,000	1139.26%	165,475
	Motion to approve by L.Caney, second by A. Moore -vote unaimous 7-0-0				
921 Employee Productivity	7,000		7,000	0.00%	0
	Motion to approve by M. Rea, second by N. Dupier vote -unanimous 7-0-0				
09 Total Pension, OPEB, Insurance, Misc	25,043,963	(115,000)	24,928,963	1.24%	304,413
951 Interest on Bonds	760,921		760,921	-13.30%	(116,720)
			0		
953 Bond Principal Payments	2,886,903		2,886,903	-6.69%	(207,031)
10 Debt Service	3,647,824	0	3,647,824	-8.15%	(323,751)
	Motion to approve by M. Rea, second by B. Stern - vote unaimous 7-0-0				
941 Transfer to Sewer	368,165		368,165	0.00%	0
942 Transfer to Other	1,000,000		1,000,000	-33.33%	(500,000)
11 Other Financing Use	1,368,165	0	1,368,165	-26.76%	(500,000)
	Motion to approve by M. Rea, second by B. Stern - vote unaimous 7-0-0				
999 Special Appropriation	0		0	0.00%	0
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	211,862,325	(1,212,762)	210,649,563	1.08%	2,246,145

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	SELECTMAN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	(-)	BOF PROPOSED BUDGET	CHANGE	DOLLAR
101 General Fund					
Railroad Parking Fund					
219 Railroad Parking	2,071,049		2,071,049	6.51%	126,585
TOTAL 210 Railroad Parking Fund	2,071,049	0	2,071,049	6.51%	126,585
	Motion to approve by N. Dupier, second by L. Caney - vote unaimous 7-0-0				
Wakeman Farm Fund					
850 Wakeman Farm	263,840		263,840	32.10%	64,112
TOTAL 215 Wakeman Farm Fund	263,840	0	263,840	32.10%	64,112
	Motion to approve by B. Stern, second by M. Rea - vote unaimous 7-0-0				
Sewer Fund					
330 Sewage Treatment	1,306,315		1,306,315	0.39%	5,014
331 Sewage Collection	579,415		579,415	9.93%	52,316
901 Pensions	157,243		157,243	0.00%	0
902 Insurance	278,625		278,625	0.00%	0
951 Interest on Bonds	579,839		579,839	4.56%	25,299
953 Bond Principal Pay	2,145,144		2,145,144	8.40%	166,272
TOTAL 220 Sewer Fund	5,046,581	0	5,046,581	5.19%	248,901