

DRAFT - 2019 Final Budget - Overview

The 2019 Final Budget differs from to the approved Preliminary Budget in that interest income and fees have increased a total of \$8,500, offset by an \$8,500 increase in the contingent account. Proposed property taxes are flat to the Preliminary Budget and are \$7,616 (.99%) under the 2018 tax levy.

- Taxes – 2019 taxes budgeted at \$760,103, down \$7,616 (.99%) from 2018.
- Revenues – 2019 revenues budgeted at \$661,250 up about \$61,500 over 2018.
- Expenses – 2019 expenses budgeted at \$1,451,353, up about \$53,300 over 2018.
- Unexpended Balance Carryforward - \$30,000, equal to 2018 budget

Revenue Details

- 1) **Sales tax** revenue is budgeted at \$300,000, \$20,000 under the expected 2018 estimate.
- 2) **GF interest** is budgeted at \$24,000, up \$6,500 from the Preliminary Budget. This assumes a 2% rate on our fund balance next year on average monthly balances of about \$1.2 million.
- 3) **Building, Court, Planning/Zoning and Miscellaneous Fees** are budgeted at 2018 actual levels, which is an increase of about \$7,500 over 2018 budgeted levels. Court fines and Building Department fees each have been increased \$1000 over the Preliminary Budget.

Expense Details

- 1) **Library** is budgeted at \$17,500, up \$10,000 from the 2018 budget level.
- 2) **Central Data** is up \$3,000 to \$10,200 as we expect to publish more newsletters and brochures.
- 3) **Property and liability insurance** is up \$2,500 to \$27,500 reflecting additions to the inventory (the new grader) & normal price increases.
- 4) **Kids Camp and Pool** are budgeted up \$14,500 to fund trips & pizza Fridays (\$4,000), to provide budget for counselors to handle 65 kids (\$8,500) and to provide additional funds to support and maintain the Pool (\$2,000).
- 5) **Salaries and related social security** are up 2.5%, about \$12,500. Salary increases averaging 2.5% are budgeted for all staff. Town Board, Town Judges and Town Supervisor are budgeted for a 10% salary increase, which is the first increases for these elected officials in 10 years. All clerks are currently budgeted at \$17.60/hr.
- 6) **Health insurance** is budgeted to increase 5% (\$3000) over the 2018 Budget.
- 7) **Contingent Account** – Budgeted at \$138,500, up \$8,500 from the Preliminary Budget and 2018 Budget. This account provides a current year buffer against unexpected revenue or expense surprises, and funds our long term capital plan spending plan.
- 8) **Fund Balance** – We will end 2018 with a “fund balance” (cash reserves) of about \$827,000, and plan to contribute about \$130,000 annually to reserves. The Town’s fund balance (cash reserve) is a buffer against sharp, unexpected decreases in non-tax revenues or unexpected major spending requirements, funds capital spending for highway equipment and major facilities repairs and maintenance, and provides working capital to fund grants and road maintenance projects that are reimbursed only after the work is done and paid for.
- 9) **5 Year Capital Plan** - Capital spending is projected to be about \$1 million over the next 5 years, which the Town believes it can fund without incurring debt assuming regional economic conditions remain stable, and contingent account contributions to the fund balance continue at about \$130,000 per year. The 5 Year Capital Plan is attached.

Next Steps – We will hold a public hearing on the Final Budget prior to our November Board meeting, and consider this Budget for adoption during our November Town Board Meeting.

Major variances between 2018 and 2019 Budgets:

Expenses - Total	+ 53,300
Camp/Pool	+ 14,500
Library	+ 10,000
Salaries	+ 12,000
Contingent	+ 8,500
Central Data	+ 3,000
Health Ins	+ 3,000
Insurance	+ 2,500
Revenues – Total	+ 61,000
Sales tax	+ 30,000
Interest income	+ 19,000
Fines	+ 3,500
Bldg Dept fees	+ 2,500
All other fees	+ 6,000