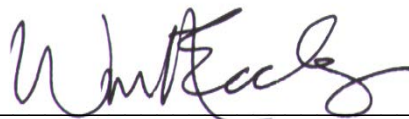


SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

TOLLAND TOWN COUNCIL HICKS MEMORIAL MUNICIPAL CENTER 6th FLOOR COUNCIL ROOM

MARCH 27, 2018 – 6:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Public Participation (2 minute limit)
5. Consideration of the Town Council's Proposed FY 2018-2019 Budget
6. Approval of Budget Resolution
7. Approval of a resolution authorizing the form of the ballot for the May 1, 2018 budget referendum and any subsequent budget referendum; the time and place for the budget referendum; authorizing the Town Manager or his designee to place the required legal notices in the local newspapers; and authorizing the preparation and printing of an explanatory text and the mailing of same to local residents and in addition sent out via the Town's Tolland Notification system and included with absentee ballots in accordance with the provisions of CT General Statutes 9-369b explaining the budget referendum question.
8. Adjournment



William N. Eccles, Council Chair

Agenda Item #6

DRAFT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town Council has reviewed the Town Manager's proposed budget and has made certain modifications to estimated revenues and expenditures, the details of which will be properly incorporated into the total budgetary document by the Town Manager and Director of Finance and Records;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tolland Town Council that it hereby adopts a FY 2018-19 Town Operating and Capital Budget in the amount of \$56,170,697 to be appropriated as follows:

CATEGORY	AMOUNT
Town Government	\$11,916,184
Board of Education	\$39,642,607
Debt Service	\$ 4,550,000
Capital	\$ 61,906
TOTAL	\$56,170,697

Said appropriations shall require an increase of .86 mills for a mill rate of 35.34.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Manager, pursuant to the requirements of the Town Charter, is authorized to advertise this budgetary outlay as part of the April 23, 2018, Annual Budget Presentation Meeting at the Tolland High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

Approved by the Tolland Town Council on _____, 2018.

Town Clerk

Date

Agenda Item #7

Approval of a resolution authorizing the form of the ballot for the May 1, 2018 budget referendum and any subsequent budget referendum; the time and place for the budget referendum; authorizing the Town Manager or his designee to place the required legal notices in the local newspapers; and authorizing the preparation and printing of an explanatory text and the mailing of same to local residents in accordance with the provisions of CT General Statutes 9-369b explaining the budget referendum question.

DRAFT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Tolland Town Council has adopted a proposed FY 2018-2019 Town Operating and Capital Budget to be considered by the Tolland electorate at a May 1, 2018 budget referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Council must now establish the appropriate ballot language for this referendum and the date, time and place of said referendum;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tolland Town Council the following:

1. The ballot question for the May 1st referendum shall be worded as follows:

“Shall the Town of Tolland’s proposed 2018-2019 budget of \$56,170,697, reflecting a spending increase of \$450,450 or (.81)% which requires a tax rate of 35.34 mills for an increase of .86 mills or 2.49%, be adopted? Yes/No.”
2. The time and place for the referendum shall be between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on May 1, 2018 at the Tolland Public Library Program Room.
3. The Town Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to place the required legal notices in the Journal Inquirer and other places as conditions permit, advertising the May 1, 2018 Referendum and the April 23, 2018 Annual Budget Presentation Meeting.
4. The Town Manager or his designee is authorized to prepare and print an explanatory text and the mailing of the same to local residents; to be included with absentee ballots and documented via the Town’s Tolland Notification system in accordance with the provisions of CT General Statutes 9-369b explaining the budget referendum question.

Approved by the Tolland Town Council on _____, 2018.

Town Clerk

Date



Town Council Budget in Brief

Proposed Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Budget

**ALL REFERENDUMS will be
at the Tolland Library
(Program Room)
6:00 am - 8:00 pm**

**ALL ELECTIONS
(Municipal, Gubernatorial,
Presidential and Primaries)
will continue to be held at
the Recreation Center and
Senior Center.**

Overview

The budget adopted by the Town Council is heavily impacted by the potential reduction in State revenue. Major impacts are the potential loss to the Town of Education Cost Sharing funds estimated to be (\$864,218) and other State revenue loss of \$303,106. After review of the budget, the Town Council adopted a proposed 2018/2019 budget with a mill rate of 35.34 for an increase of .86 mills or 2.49% which includes the use of \$690,000 from fund balance as revenue.

The Town Council's proposed budget results in the the following:

Budget Area	Adopted Budget FY 17-18	Requested Budget FY 18-19	% Change
Gen'l Gov't.	\$11,781,721	\$11,916,184	1.14%
BOE	\$39,333,948	\$39,642,607	0.78%
Capital	\$54,578	\$61,906	13.43%
Debt Service	\$4,550,000	\$4,550,000	0%
Total	\$55,720,247	\$56,170,697	0.81%

Expenditures

- Expenditures as a whole have increased by **\$450,450.**
- The budget includes full funding of the request of the Board of Education as well as reinstatement of two Resident State Troopers and one free bulky waste pickup day in October.

Revenues

- The property tax is the major revenue source accounting for 80.62% of all revenue for Tolland.
- The major State revenue supporting education is projected to decrease from current levels of \$10,172,654 to \$9,308,265.
- Other Non-Education State revenues are projected to decrease from \$507,541 to \$204,435.

**For more detailed information,
please visit Tolland's website:
[https://www.tolland.org/finance-
department/pages/2018-2019-
budget-information](https://www.tolland.org/finance-department/pages/2018-2019-budget-information)**

To calculate your own tax, please go to <http://gis.vgsi.com/tollandct/> to obtain your home's assessed value. Your home's assessed value times .03534 will equal next year's proposed tax.

To assist in this calculation you may go to the Town's website under the Tax Department and on the left hand side, click on the Tax Calculation Form (www.tolland.org/tax-department/pages/tax-calculation-form).

If you have questions or concerns about the FY 2018/2019 proposed budget, please don't hesitate to email the Town Council at towncouncil@tolland.org or Tolland's Town Manager, Steven Werbner at swerbner@tolland.org or call the Town Manager's Office at (860) 871-3600.

For latest updates, please check Tolland's website and/or subscribe to Tolland's Notification System.

The information in this brochure was prepared through the Town Clerk's Office.

BUDGET QUESTION Budget Referendum Tuesday, May 1, 2018

**"Shall the Town of
Tolland's proposed 2018-
2019 budget of
\$56,170,697, reflecting
a spending increase of
\$450,450 or .81% which
requires a tax rate of
35.34 mills for an
increase of .86 mills or
2.49%, be adopted?
Yes/No"**

**Budget Referendum
Tuesday, May 1, 2018
and if necessary, every
other Tuesday from that
date until a budget is
passed.**

**To Be Held in the
Tolland Library Program Room**

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