

Budget and Bond Hearing

Town of Waterville valley

Fiscal Year 2020

TOWN BUDGET & BOND HEARING

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

6:00 pm

Recreation Department Multi-Purpose Room

New Packet of Materials

- Change in Solid Waste Expenses on Page 1.
- Resulting Change to Estimated Amount to Raise in Taxes on Page 2.

Definitions

- **Operating Budget**– Expenditures for Department Operations. It does not include Bonding, Special Warrant Articles, or Capital Reserves
- **Revenues** – Fees and income other than Taxes (only an estimate at Town Meeting time)
- **Appropriation** – An amount of money which Town Meeting authorizes to be spent during the fiscal year

Tax Impact of Proposed Budget Decrease

- **Increase** in The Total Taxes to Raise as proposed is:

\$98,126

- **Increase** in Taxes on a \$250,000 property is:

\$75.00

- **Increase** in Taxes on a \$500,000 property is:

\$150.00

- **Increase** in Taxes on a \$750,000 property is:

\$225.00

2019 Budget Overview

	Fiscal Year 2019	Fiscal Year 2020	Change + / (-)
Operating Budget	\$3,962,499	\$4,243,247	280,748
New Bond Projects	\$1,300,000	\$1,150,000	(\$150,000)
Other Warrant Articles	\$290,100	\$375,100	\$85,000
Total Appropriations	\$5,572,599	\$5,768,347	\$195,748
Estimated Revenues (including FB Use)	(\$2,676,136)	(\$2,773,758)	97,622
Estimated Taxes to be Raised	\$2,896,463	\$2,994,589	\$98,126

Major Impacts

- **Debt Service Principal and Interest** – The first year payment on new bonds and notes from 2019 for Trash Truck, Trails Project and Ladder Truck
- **Operating Expenses** – Increases due to Health Insurance Premiums, and New Recreation Staffing & Programs

Fund Balance Use

- Estimated Fund Balance Change at End of Year 2020 is Approximately \$160,000 Higher Than 2019 due to proceeds from the Sale of the Ice Arena
- Estimated Fund Balance on 12/31/2020 Will Remain 14.1% of Operating Budget

Use of Fund Balance

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Fund Balance Used	316,300	195,000	41,914	195,870	205,700	139,365	310,100
Taxes Raised	2,759,511	2,871,536	2,819,437	2,898,097	2,769,423	2,899,669	2,994,589

- Using Fund Balance (Surplus) reduces the amount of taxes to be raised that year
- Fund Balance has been used (and is recommended this year) to pay for one time, capital items

NOTE: All numbers are actual except for 2020 which are proposed

Special Warrant Articles

- **14 Items – All Proposed for Fund Balance or Grants**
- **Department of Public Works – \$111,100**
 - Backhoe Lease (Yr. 2) - \$34,000
 - Plow Truck Lease (Yr. 3) - \$30,100
 - New Plow Truck Lease - \$35,000
 - Guardrail Replacement - \$12,000

Special Warrant Articles (con't)

- **Water and Wastewater – \$95,000**
 - Sludge Drying Bed Maintenance - \$15,000
 - Collection/Distribution System Repairs - \$20,000
 - Aeration System Improvements - \$ 25,000
 - Emergency Repair Account - \$35,000
- **Recreation Department – \$22,000**
 - Bus Lease (Yr. 2) - \$22,000

Special Warrant Articles (con't)

- **Public Safety – \$32,000**
 - Thermal Imaging Device - \$10,000
 - Ambulance LifePak AED - \$22,000
- **Grants – \$85,000**
 - Water Facilities Assessment - \$40,000 (50/50)
 - Wastewater Facilities - \$45,000 (100%)

Operating Budget – Capital Projects

- **WWTP Carbon Replacement Project - \$35,000**
 - Second Year of Three-Year Planned Project

Addition to Capital Reserves

- **Road Repair Account - \$30,000**
 - Second Year of Three-Year Planned Project

Town Operating Budget

- Personnel
- Other Budget Lines

Personnel

- **Cost of Living Adjustment**
 - Compared to Boston Area Consumer Price Index
 - 1.5% Across the Board Adjustment
- **Health Insurance Premium Increase 3.9% effective July 1, 2019**
 - Change plan to keep increase lower
 - Changing plan status for some employees
- **New Position in Recreation Department**
 - Full-year of Funding

Other Budget Lines

- **4150 – Administration**
 - Wage Adjustments
 - Health Insurance Premium Increase
- **4196 – Insurance**
 - Change Carrier
- **4199 – Rey Cultural Center Funding Request**
 - Presentation By Rey Cultural Center Staff
- **4210 – Police**
 - Part-time Wages
 - Retirement

Other Budget Lines (con't)

- **4312 – Highways**
 - Health Insurance Status Change
- **4323 – Solid Waste Collection**
 - Part-time Wages at the Transfer Station
- **4326 – Wastewater**
 - Health Insurance
 - Electricity
 - Heating
- **4332 – Water**
 - Health Insurance Status Change
 - Contracted Services

Other Budget Lines (con't)

- **4520/4525 – Recreation and Parks Services**
 - Staffing moved to Parks Services
 - Partially Off-set by Reduction in Recreation
- **4711/4721 – Debt Service Principal & Interest**
 - New Bonds From 2019

Recycling & Solid Waste

- **Northeast Resource Recovery Assoc. Facilities Review**
 - Limited Land
- **Use of Surrounding Communities' Facilities**
 - Cost/Control of Access
 - Capacity
- **Considered Taking Recyclables to Tilton**
 - Contamination = Higher Costs

Other Budget Items

- **Trail Project Construction**
 - Village Trail – Dam to Snow's Brook Road
 - Construction to Begin in the Spring
- **Renewable Energy Update**

Revenues

- Revenues Shown are Current Estimates
 - Revised on September 1st
 - Can Be Modified Again at Tax Rate Setting In October
- Use of Grants
 - \$65,000 for Water and Wastewater
- Recreation Department
 - Conservative for New Programs
 - 1st Year of New Summer Programs
 - Can Be Modified Based on Program Performance
 - Might Be Impacted by Building Construction, etc.

Questions

Any questions regarding the Town Operating Budget?

Bond Hearing Information

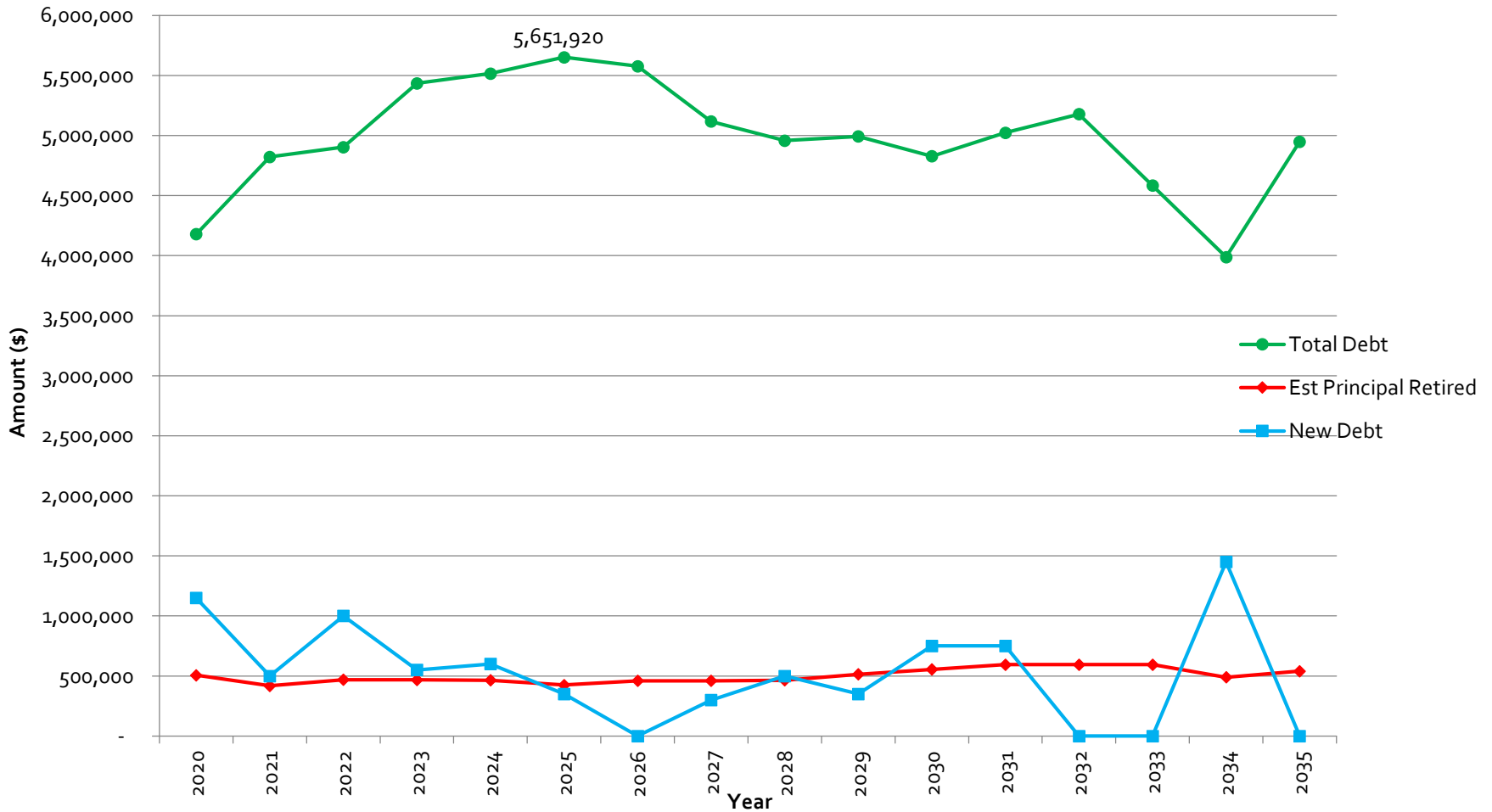
- Hearing Required by State Law
- Two Warrant Articles Which Include Bonding (Borrowing)
- Both Must Be Voted on By Ballot
- Both Take 2/3 Approval to Pass

Town Capital Improvements Plan

- Planning Board and Selectmen Develop the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP)
- Historically We Have Had a 6-Year Plan – Now Have Developed 30-Year Detailed Plan
- Includes All Current Capital Needs as Determined by Planning Board, Selectmen and Town Staff

Debt(Principal) – FY20 – FY35 Capital Plan

As of 01/20/20



Bond Warrant Articles

- **Drinking Water Well #2 and #3 Connected to Treatment Building- \$1,000,000**
- **General Engineering Services - \$150,000**
- **Road Repaving Project - TBD**

Additional Bond Discussion

- Meeting on Wednesday, February 12th, at 6:00 p.m.
- Presentation by Engineer to Review Water Project Options and Funding
- Presentation of Engineering Project
- Presentation of Road Repaving Project

Questions

Any questions regarding the Proposed Capital Projects Including Funds from Bonds/Notes?