Board of Selectmen May 11, 2022, meeting may be viewed here:

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The May 11, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen was convened at 5:00 p.m. by First Selectman Beth Heller, via WebEx in accordance with HB5269.
Present via roll call: First Selectman Beth Heller; Deputy First Selectman Sheila McCraven, Joseph J. Crisco, Jr.; Paul Kuriakose; David Lober; and David Vogel.
Present for staff: Mr. Genovese, Administrative Officer/Director of Finance; Gerald Weiner, Town Counsel; Ms. Ford, Media Specialist; Ms. Yagla, Assistant Administrative Officer, and Mrs. Shaw, Clerk

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REMARKS

"Good evening and welcome to the May 11 Board of Selectmen Regular meeting. Late last month, Governor Lamont, following an approved proposal from the State Legislature, signed new legislation into law, allowing the continuation of remote meetings past the original deadline of April 30. Boards and Commissions may choose to meet in-person, or remotely. I am so pleased that, especially now, when the COVID-19 positivity rate is very high we have the ability to be flexible and meet virtually when it’s prudent to do so.

Today’s Daily Positivity Rate is 13.1%"

I will remind everyone here this evening, and those joining us remotely, that the Annual Town Meeting will be on Monday, May 16 at 7:30 pm in the Amity Regional High School Brady Auditorium. There is very little ventilation in our Center Building Gymnasium, and it is not safe to hold large and lengthy gatherings in that space. I thank Amity for accommodating us.

At that meeting, the Board of Finance will present its final proposed budget to the public. The procedure for the meeting will be as follows:

- Voter check-in will begin at 6 pm and end at 8 pm.
- All voters must check in with the Registrars of Voters so that the Registrars may determine the number of eligible voters at the meeting
- The Town Charter requires a minimum of 250 voters present and voting to increase, decrease or eliminate a line item.

The recommended preliminary budget summary was previously mailed to all households, and you may view the version with line item detail on the Finance Department webpage, along with a recording of the April 18, 2022 preliminary budget hearing presentation and the Town’s new interactive online budget tool. The call and agenda for tonight’s meeting was also mailed to every household.

I will remind everyone, that based on our Town Charter, only line-items can be increased, decreased, or eliminated. Each line-item motion must have a minimum of 250 voters present and voting and at least 60% of those present and voting is required to increase, decrease, or eliminate a budget line item. There cannot be a vote on the overall budget, as again, the Town Charter limits votes to line-items only.

We received word from the TP&Z Commission that at their last meeting, they approved the 8-24 request for installation of the Regional Water Authority water line from Beecher Road to the Dog Park.
Regarding the Agricultural Commission’s continued request that the Board of Selectmen approve five-year leases on the Town-owned fields that are currently leased on a yearly basis:

Having a five-year lease would allow farmers to apply for farming state grants. I believe it is impractical to tie up town land for five years. We tried to add a protection for the town in the draft of a five-year lease, stating that we would grant a five-year lease, but the town could at any time revoke the lease if for some reason the Town needed use of the land. That language was unacceptable to the state. I asked our BOS liaison Paul Kuriakose to ask the Agricultural Commission to research how other towns in Connecticut handle this, so that hopefully we can somehow help the farmers, and also protect the Town in case, in an extraordinary situation, we would need the land. Again, five-year leases would eliminate the Town’s flexibility to deal with publicly owned property. In addition, Attorney Weiner advised that not only does the state require a five-year unconditional lease, but they may also require an additional five-year option which would tie up the property for ten years.

I have an update on the two new building committees. Getting the state grants for projects has been wonderful, but it also requires new committees to move forward.

First, the membership of the Woodbridge Community Center Building Committee shall be:

Architect Bob Tucker, Former Selectman Sandy Stein, who will serve as chair of this committee, and current Recreation Commission Chair Andrea Weinstein. Tony Genovese or his designee will serve as the Staff Representative.

- The committee will work with the Town’s chosen architect to finalize plans and designs and select a contractor for the conversion of the Old Firehouse into a Community Center.
- The committee shall apply best practices for sustainable design including the use of sustainable and energy efficient products and materials, LEED Certification (if applicable) and the possible use of “green” energy and other techniques and seek grant opportunities to fund or offset the additional potential cost of these initiatives.
- Upon approval of the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen of the construction/design plan, the committee shall seek bids on all aspects of the construction in accordance with the Town of Woodbridge Purchasing Policy and State grant requirements.
- The committee shall recommend to the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen the selection of one or more firms to perform the construction after receipt and review of the bids. The committee shall also oversee construction of the proposed project.

Secondly, as a reminder, the membership of the Center Building Renovation Committee, which I announced last month, is Police Chief Frank Cappiello, Police Commissioner Andy Esposito, Human Services Director Jeanette Glicksman, Selectman Paul Kuriakose, and Board of Finance member Dwight Rowland, who will also serve as Chair.

Janice Innocenzi will staff the committee.

The committee will work to plan, design, construct and finance upgrades to convert the Center Building into a modern police department, space for offices, classrooms and programs.

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- The committee shall work to identify funding sources for the project, including state and federal grants.
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Since our last meeting we were joined by Governor Ned Lamont, State Senator Jorge Cabrera, and State Representative Mary Welander for an outdoor press conference in front of the Old Firehouse, to announce the $2 million grant we received to convert that building into a new Community Center. That evening we held the Preliminary Budget Hearing at the New Firehouse.

On April 29th, Tony, Betsy and I met with Lou Mangini from US Representative Rosa DeLauro’s office. For almost three years, I have been seeking funding for an Army Corps of Engineers feasibility study of the West River and Konold’s Pond. There is a very lengthy process involved:

- **Step One** – It is my understanding that before we seek funding for the feasibility study, the Army Corps of Engineers must gather some preliminary data, which should be soon.
- **Step Two** – We must then apply for funding for the feasibility study, which the cost will be determined by the preliminary data.
- **Step Three** – Once the feasibility study is completed, then we must apply for federal funding to finally fix the long-standing flooding issues in that area.

This has been quite frustrating for me, and of course the residents in the area, as we navigate all these steps. I have been working on this issue since 2019, and so have my predecessors. I remain hopeful that some progress will begin this year.

Tony, Betsy, EDC Chair Robert Sharrer and I met with Rich Horgan, CEO of a Boston-based company looking to move to Woodbridge into the old Bayer Building on Research Drive. They have a very interesting company. It is a non-profit biotech seeking federal and state funding for drug development of personalized gene therapy for rare diseases, through an interdisciplinary collaboration with world-known researchers and clinicians to save lives.

I attended the Woodbridge Board of Education meeting, where I delivered a proclamation for Teacher and Staff Appreciation week.

I also met with Fire Chief Sean Rowland, Tony and Architect David Stein to begin discussions of the Fire Department storage facility, and the Old Firehouse/Community Center.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Kris Sullivan, Blight Officer Mike Marganski and I met with neighbors from Cedar Rock Terrace about a zoning/blight concern.
Thanks to absolutely gorgeous weather, I attended the annual Earth Day event on Saturday, April 23rd and I read our proclamation announcing a Pollinator Pathway in Town. Additionally, related to saving our Earth, Public Works Director Warren Connors, Betsy, and I met with resident Dr. Yajie Song who is a professor at the Yale School of Forestry, who is working on ways to help residents think globally and act locally regarding climate change.

On April 29th, I met with Amity Superintendent Dr. Jenn Byars, and FS Jim Zeoli and FS Paula Cofrancesco for our monthly meeting. FS Cofrancesco and I read a proclamation celebrating the 50th anniversary of Beth-Wood Baseball at their annual Opening Day on April 30th. As you now know, the Amity Budget Referendum on May 3rd was defeated in all three towns. My understanding is the district will be meeting to vote on another proposed referendum date of May 24th.

On Thursday, May 5th, I attended the National Day of Prayer celebration for Woodbridge at the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and read the Governor’s proclamation. I also went to the Beecher Road School Ice Cream Social later that evening.

I am sure by now you have heard that Woodbridge Superintendent Dr. Jonathan Budd has accepted another position in another district and will be leaving Beecher Road School as of June 30th. We wish him all the best in his new role. As a segue to item 2 on our agenda, I now introduce, Dr. Budd for the Superintendent’s Update.”

WOODBRIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION—Superintendent Dr. Jonathan Budd
Dr. Budd updated the Board on Beecher Road School’s COVID protocols including mask choice, reduced capacity in café, classroom seating. He also noted that the recent Teacher’s Appreciation Week gave an opportunity to also show appreciation to the staff. Teacher of the year is 4th grade teacher, Joseph DePalma.

ARCHAEOLOGY PROPOSAL—Dr. Cosimo Sgarlata
Ms. Heller announced that this item is postponed as Dr. Sgarlata is not able to attend the meeting.

SPECIAL MEETING
The Board of Selectmen will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the “Woodbridge Affordable Housing Plan – Final Draft”. The “Plan” will be posted on the website for the public to review in advance of the May 25th Board meeting.

LIAISON REPORTS
Ms. McCraven: Woodbridge Board of Education – not able to attend the April 19th meeting. The May 11th meeting was held in executive session to discuss labor and transportation contracts. Special Meeting held the morning of May 11th was for discussion of COVID data and mitigation strategies. Kindergarten enrollment is open; information is available on the website woodbridge12.ct.us

Commission on the Use of Publicly Owned Properties – met on April 25th and discussed future agenda items. A meeting is scheduled with Chair, Nicole Donzello and Town Hall staff to discuss items included in the Plan of Development.

Mr. Vogel: Library Commission met on May 10th – Tom Shernow, current Secretary, is interim Chair following Tim Moriarty’s resignation. The election of a new secretary was tabled. Commission member, Dick Blackwell and Eric Werthmann (Library Director) have recommended establishing an ad hoc public relations committee. Budget discussion included the increase in the cost of contracted services.
Recreation Commission – The “Kids Triathlon” is scheduled for June 11th. Pool programs are very successful and operating at capacity. The department is seeking a new site for the skating rink. Over 200 have enrolled in the Summer Camp.

Government Access Television Commission – is reviewing its policy and procedures. Interested in internet connectivity for the new Community Center. Seeking to upgrade broadcast servers.

Dr. Lober: Conservation Commission is exploring the possibility of grants for open space acquisition. Some members will attend a grant writing seminar on May 19th. Chair Tim Austin has developed a computer tool to identify properties abutting open space. Working with SCRCOG to update the Greenway Map.

Inland Wetlands Agency – Received a presentation from the developers of the Merritt Ave. planned development asserting there is no impact to wetlands or West River. Members countered this claim. The public hearing was continued to the May meeting, as was the application re division of property at 49 Rimmon Road.

Human Services Commission – Ava Shanbrom has been selected to receive the 2022 Selectman’s Youth Award and will receive a $200 prize from People’s Bank. The successful after-school study program is supported by a grant. Various other successful youth programs are supported locally. The Woodbridge Center continues to hold programs, many also locally supported. Transportation for social visits was approved to fill in driver’s down-time. COVID-update included administration of vaccine to 80 seniors and employees. Distribution of masks and test kits continues. On June 9th there will be an “Ask the Pharmacist” program for seniors.

Volunteer Appreciation Tea will be held as well as the Living Treasure event.

Mr. Kuriakose: Agricultural Commission – April 27th. Town Plan and Zoning Commission has enacted a change to the Farm Stand regulation allowing the sale of items produced elsewhere. Regarding the farmers’ request to extend the one year leases to five years, as required by the State and other grant awarding entities, Mr. Sorensen will reach out to the Town of Guilford as to how they handle the leasing of farm land.

Amity Regional Board of Education – May 8th – not able to attend the meeting.

Mr. Crisco: Town Plan and Zoning Commission – May 2nd – approved application for farm-stand regulation change; returned a favorable report to the CGS 8-24 request for review of a proposal to extend a waterline to the dog-park. The Commission agreed to look at the feasibility to establish a solar farm. Members will attend a seminar re retail cannabis.

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT APPLICATIONS – 2022

The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Heller – Crisco) to receive the applications for the 2022 Neighborhood Assistance Act Program and schedule a Public Hearing for 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 8, 2022 to receive comments on:

- Amity Teen Center Inc. d/b/a 10selden Energy Efficiency project $24,950.00
- Jewish Community Center of Greater New Haven Energy Equipment Restoration $150,000.00
HEALTH CARE RENEWAL
Brian Luciani, the Town’s Consultant for employee health benefits, reported that due to the positive claims results and the competitive bidding process, the Town and the Woodbridge Board of Education is able to renew with the current carriers at no increase in premiums. Mr. Genovese said that Mr. Luciani and his team are to be commended for their hard work to obtain a “0%” premium increase for this renewal period.

The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Heller – Crisco) to approve the Health Care Renewal and Life insurance packages as described by Consultant Brian Luciani.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT
Monthly Report – Mr. Genovese reported that as of April 30, 2022, he is projecting an estimated year-end surplus of $725,255. Because the current Town budget includes an allocation from fund balance of $400,000, increase to fund balance at year end is projected to $325,255. Fund balance at June 30, 2022, is estimated to be $7.0M or 13.66% of annual expenses.

FUNDING REQUEST
The Board of Selectmen VOTED to refer the following to the Board of Finance

2122-14 – Intradepartmental Transfer
To: Public Works Overtime (1310-00/50410) $5,000.00
Vehicle Parts (131-00/55150) $10,000
From: Public Works Highway Salaries (1310-00-50230)
For: Address shortage in overtime account and the shortage in the vehicle parts account.
The shortages were caused in part by snow storms.
(Heller – Crisco Unanimously Approved)

STATE GRANTS UPDATE
Mr. Genovese identified the various grants received from the State that are not tied to specific projects. He also reviewed a chart entitled “Adopted FY23 State Budget Adjustments: Impact on Woodbridge”. Mr. Genovese noted that the amount received this year is similar to past years—with one exception. The State budget includes a property tax cap of 32.24 mills on motor vehicles instead of 43 mills (the Town rate)—leaving a shortfall that is supposed to be satisfied by the Municipal Transition Grant. Unfortunately, the State used incorrect information in the formula and there will still be a shortfall. Ms. Heller said that she has reached to the Town’s legislators re the problem.

ADOPTED BUDGET HISTORY
Mr. Genovese reviewed the listing of Adopted Budgets from FY2014-15 through FY2022-23 and a graph showing that over those periods, budgets for Town departments have increased 5.19% while the Woodbridge Board of Education increased by 26%, and the Town’s portion of the Amity Regional Board of Education rose by 30%. Of the Town departments, public safety (police and fire) show the majority of increases.

A copy of the budget history is attached for the record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
There were no written or oral comments from the public. However, Mr. Vogel referred to an electronic memo from Dr. William Silberberg sent to all the Selectmen – but not identified as a public comment.
TRANSFER STATION UPDATE
Scale costs update – Mr. Genovese reviewed costs associated with the installation of the scale at the Transfer Station. Though the scale and ancillary work came in at $113,028 – which was overbudget, it was covered in the operating budget. Since installation, the scale has generated $175,882 in revenue and there has been a reduction in solid waste tonnage.

STRATEGIC PLAN ("The Plan") UPDATE AND DISCUSSION
Ms. McCreven and Mr. Vogel led the Board through a revised draft of the Strategic Plan that now includes a preamble and identification of "partners" to work with to achieve the goals of The Plan as well as offer input into the plan.

In discussion of use of the American Rescue Plan Act funds in achieving some goals identified in The Plan, Ms. Heller said that she had a request from a member of the Beth-Wood Base League to consider returning to the concept of constructing a 90-foot baseball diamond in Town. She noted that there may be a way to partner with other interested parties to provide the funding.

Ms. Heller recommended that a brief presentation of the plan be included in the Annual Town Meeting.

It was agreed that it was important for citizens as well as other boards, commissions, and ad hoc groups to have input into The Plan.

ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
Agreement with "Yiftee" - Ms. Yagla explained the proposal by the Economic Development Commission (EDC) to offer a gift certificates program similar to, but more formal than, the previous Woodbridge Bucks program. This program involves purchased e-gift cards at no cost to the Town or the businesses. The goal is to encourage people to shop locally.

The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Heller – Crisco) to authorize the First Selectman to sign the agreement with "YIFTEE" for the gift card program recommended by the Economic Development Commission.

Event - EDC is organizing a Summer Solstice “Make Music Day”, June 21, 2022 - simultaneous concerts in the business district from 5 – 7 p.m.

CIVIC PLUS – CIVIC REC AGREEMENT
The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Kuriakose – Vogel) to authorize the First Selectman to sign the “Statement of Work” with CIVIC PLUS for the CIVIC REC on-line program.

APPLICATION TO HOLD EVENT ON TOWN PROPERTY
Woodbridge Child Center Graduation - The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Heller – Crisco) to approve the Woodbridge Child Center’s application to hold its graduation Thursday, June 9, 2022 from 4:45 – 6:00 p.m. on the Woodbridge Town Green.

RECREATION SUMMER CONCERT BANNER
The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Heller – Crisco) to approve the Recreation Department’s request to hang the Summer Concert banner along the Center Road Field fence from June 1, 2022, thru June 30, 2022 and then at the gazebo from July 1 thru July 31, 2022.
TOWN CLERK’S REPORTS
The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Heller – Crisco) acknowledge receipt of the Town Clerk’s reports for the month ending April 30, 2022, and cumulative from July 1, 2021 thru April 30, 2022.

MINUTES – April 13, 2022
The Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (Heller – Vogel) to approve the minutes of April 13, 2022.

RESIGNATIONS
The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the resignations of David Ross from the Woodbridge Board of Education for a term ending June 30, 2023, and James Moriarty from the Library Commission for a term ending June 30, 2023.

APPOINTMENTS
Ms. McCreven moved, and Mr. Crisco seconded the nomination of Robert Reed to fill the vacancy as a Town Plan and Zoning Alternate for the term ending June 30, 2023.
Mr. Vogel moved, and Dr. Lober seconded the nomination of Nickolas Zito to fill the vacancy as a Town Plan and Zoning Alternate for the term ending June 30, 2023.

VOTE:  Robert Reed: Aye – Heller, McCreven, Crisco, Kuriakose
       Nay – Vogel
       Abstained – Lober

As Robert Reed was appointed to the position, Mr. Zito’s nomination was not acted upon.

TOWN COUNSEL’S REPORT
Explanation – Affordable Housing — Connecticut General Statute 8-30g. Mr. Weiner explained that C.G.S.8-30g sets a bench-mark of 10% a for towns to achieve to avoid certain consequences for applications for affordable housing to be approved or disapproved. In the case of a traditional application for housing or a subdivision brought by a developer — if denied, the burden is on the developer to prove in court that the Town Plan and Zoning Commission acted in error in denying the application. In a large majority of such cases, the judge will honor the decision of the local plan and zoning commission.

In the case of affordable housing application the burden shifts to the Town. If such an application is denied by the town, and a developer decided the denial is erroneous, the town now has the burden to prove that its decision was appropriate and the town plan and zoning commission of the town must show that its decision was necessary to protect substantial public interests in health, safety and other matters which the commission may legally consider that such public interest clearly outweigh the need for affordable housing and such public interests cannot be protected by reasonable changes to the affordable housing development. That is very difficult language for the town to go before a judge as to the reason the application was denied.

The judge will make a determination as to whether the town has less than that 10% threshold. If the town has more than that 10% threshold, then such application is like a traditional case — the burden does not shift. In the event of a town having less than the 10% threshold — it is much easier for a particular judge, on a particular case, to approve what type of housing the town will have. So it is prudent for towns to try and achieve that 10% threshold. There is no penalty if the threshold is not achieved — a fine cannot be levied and funding cannot be withheld. The shifting of the burden should not be taken lightly, it is a really significant problem.
It will be difficult for Woodbridge to obtain the 10% threshold, which is approximately 300 homes. There is a provision a moratorium in section 8-30j where certain towns, while not having the 10%, have the opportunity to apply to the State of Connecticut Department of Housing and show some improvement in their ability to make available affordable housing in a particular town. Based on a very complicated formula, it is a 2% number rather than a 10% number based on percentages that you get for certain types of housing. So there is an opportunity for a town to show that they are making strides towards compliance and gives a town approximately four years to evaluate and find a solution.

60 Woodfield Road – Mr. Weiner explained prior to the Town purchasing the Woodbridge Country Club, the then owners split off a house and surrounding land and sold what is now 60 Woodfield Road. During a survey the current owner discovered that a section of the concrete deck for the former pool is on his property. Mr. Weiner is working with the owner and the title company to resolve the problem.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
At 7:12 p.m. the Board of Selectmen VOTED UNANIMOUSLY Heller – Crisco) to move into executive session pursuant to a) Section 1-200(6)(C) of the CGS – Security Devices related to Dispatch to receive a report from Selectman Paul Kuriakose. b) Section 1-200 (6)(B); 210(b)(4) – discussion of settlement – 47 Pease Road.

At 7:31 p.m. the Board of Selectmen moved out of executive session and returned to the regular meeting. No motions were made or votes taken in executive session.

AJOURNMENT
On a non-debateable motion by Ms. Heller, seconded by Ms. McCraven, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Geraldine S. Shaw, Clerk
## Town of Woodbridge
### Finance Department
### Budget History
#### FY15 to FY23

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| General Government            | 2,323,842        | 2,497,559        | 2,730,646        | 2,289,492        | 2,430,133        | 2,562,307        | 2,377,960        | 2,368,769        | 2,471,137           | 6.34%               |
| Public Safety                 | 4,194,841        | 4,206,142        | 4,219,517        | 4,269,351        | 4,375,158        | 4,421,178        | 4,632,721        | 4,762,608        | 4,948,795           | 17.97%              |
| Public Works                  | 2,465,395        | 2,614,600        | 2,528,346        | 2,571,073        | 2,599,836        | 2,593,222        | 2,586,811        | 2,654,112        | 2,700,107           | 9.52%               |
| Community Services            | 2,257,902        | 2,318,256        | 2,079,919        | 2,135,455        | 2,150,305        | 1,950,740        | 1,505,873        | 1,884,824        | 1,965,002           | -12.93%             |
| Benefits                      | 3,982,348        | 4,009,395        | 4,308,676        | 4,176,943        | 4,378,430        | 4,564,439        | 4,474,848        | 4,800,207        | 4,855,949           | 21.94%              |
| Debt Service                  | 2,472,705        | 2,586,613        | 2,707,851        | 2,844,911        | 2,561,409        | 2,819,203        | 2,843,611        | 2,280,254        | 2,244,240           | -9.24%              |
| Capital                       | 1,513,284        | 915,166          | 804,864          | 975,907          | 1,615,579        | 1,216,897        | 703,873          | 978,462          | 1,020,797           | -32.54%             |
| Amity Board of Education      | 13,245,805       | 13,506,655       | 14,290,054       | 14,737,047       | 14,712,485       | 14,965,743       | 15,756,256       | 16,275,625       | 17,197,401          | 29.83%              |
| Woodbridge Board of Education | 13,046,068       | 13,494,713       | 13,769,036       | 14,343,502       | 14,672,285       | 15,201,954       | 15,201,954       | 15,561,620       | 16,419,701          | 25.86%              |
| **Total**                     | 45,502,190       | 46,149,099       | 47,438,909       | 48,343,682       | 49,495,620       | 50,295,683       | 50,083,907       | 51,566,481       | 53,824,129          | 18.29%              |

*Note: FY2014-15 includes $392,035 for the CCW pool & facility. Without those amounts, the community services change from 2015 to 2023 is a 5.37% increase.*
Adopted FY 23 State Budget Adjustments: Impact on Woodbridge

On May 3, 2022, the General Assembly adopted its adjustments to the FY 23 state budget. Below are preliminary grant estimates for Woodbridge for certain key programs.

CCM has been informed that these estimates should not be used to finalize municipal budgets. It is suggested that municipalities contact the administering agency of each grant in order to obtain final grant payment amounts.

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* The budget includes a property tax cap of 32.46 mills on motor vehicles. The Municipal Transition Grant would reimburse towns for revenue lost as a result of the cap.

More details on the FY 23 state budget adjustments and other legislation impacting municipal finance will be provided in the coming days. Updates will be available at https://www.ccm-ct.org/Advocacy/State-Budget-Information.

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