

**TOWN OF BETHEL, CONNECTICUT  
NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING**



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The legal voters of the Town of Bethel, Connecticut and those persons entitled to vote herein are hereby notified to assemble at the Annual Town Budget Meeting to be held at the Bethel High School Auditorium, 300 Whittlesey Drive in Bethel, Connecticut on Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., for the following purposes, to wit:

- 1) To consider and take action upon a resolution to appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven Million Seven Hundred Seven Thousand and Ninety Seven (\$37,707,097.00) Dollars which sum includes the Town Operating Budget of Thirty One Million Nine Hundred Eleven Thousand and Five Hundred Eleven (\$31,911,511.00) Dollars, Debt Service of Five Million Two Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand and Five Hundred Sixty Nine (\$5,269,569.00) Dollars, and the School's Building Maintenance account of Five Hundred Twenty Six Thousand and Seventeen (\$526,017.00) Dollars as recommended by the Board of Finance, as the total Annual Town Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2024.
- 2) To consider and take action upon a resolution to appropriate the sum of Fifty Four Million Seven Hundred Fifty One Thousand and One Hundred Thirty Two (\$54,751,132.00) Dollars as recommended by the Board of Finance, as the Annual Board of Education Budget for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2024.
- 3) To consider and take action on a resolution to appropriate the amount not exceeding One Million Eight Hundred Thousand (\$1,800,000.00) Dollars as recommended by the Board of Selectmen, and approved by the Board of Finance, for the purchase of a ladder truck. Said funding shall come from bonding, bond anticipatory notes, loans, temporary borrowing and/or other appropriation as recommended by the Comptroller to be reduced by grant funding, if any, available and approved for this purpose.

- 4) To consider and take action on a resolution to appropriate an amount not to exceed One Million Six Hundred Thousand (\$1,600,000.00) Dollars, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen and approved by the Board of Finance, for the purchase of the real property and improvements thereon located at 159 Greenwood Avenue in Bethel. Said funding shall come from bonding, bond anticipatory notes, loans, temporary borrowing and/or other appropriation as recommended by the Comptroller to be reduced by grant funding, if any, available and approved for this purpose.
- 5) To consider and take action on a resolution to transfer \$500,000.00 from the Tax Stabilization Fund to apply to revenue in the FY 2024 – 2025 budget.
- 6) To consider and take action on the transfer of \$362,478.45 of proceeds from the sales of 19, 20, 21, and 23 Trowbridge Drive to an interest-bearing account under the supervision of the Economic Development Commission to further support the maintenance of Francis J. Clarke Business Park.
- 7) To authorize the First Selectman and the Treasurer of the Town of Bethel to borrow on short term notes or loans “tax anticipation notes” in an amount not to exceed the aggregate of Six Million (\$6,000,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of paying current expenditures of the Town of Bethel for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024, which tax anticipation notes are to be repaid from anticipated tax revenues.
- 8) To consider and take action upon a resolution that the tax on motor vehicles and personal property be collected in one or more than one installment.
- 9) To establish the date on which the machine vote on the annual town budget shall take place in accordance with the provisions of the Bethel Town Charter.
- 10) To do any and all things which may be legally required or appropriate to accomplish the above-named purposes.

Dated at Bethel, Connecticut this 28th day of March 2024.

**Board of Selectmen**

Daniel E. Carter, First Selectman

Bryan Terzian, Selectman

Richard C. Straiton, Selectman