

Wallingford Selectboard

Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2026

Selectboard Chair Kathy Luzader called the special Selectboard meeting at Town Hall to order at 3:30 p.m.

Selectboard Members Present: Anne Awad, Rob Barker, Kathy Luzader and Glenn Mayer. Carolyn Behrendt did not attend the meeting.

Others present: Sandi Switzer, Jill Stone Teer, and Greg McCormack from Peg TV.

Agenda Amendments. None.

Public Comments. None.

Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. Board members reviewed the draft budget proposal of \$1,658,128, up an estimated 11.2 percent. K. Luzader said she was concerned voters would not approve the spending plan. The board reviewed every line of the revenue and expense budgets.

Board members by consensus approved the following: Revenue Budget line 4514 Transfer Station fees was set at \$37,000; 4554 Wallingford Day at \$2,500; and 4526 Delinquent Property Taxes at \$85,000.

The Administration budget was amended as follows: 5002G Assessor Contract set at \$16,000.

The Town Government budget was revised as follows: Legal line 5115 set at \$2,000; Office Expenses line 5114 \$14,000; Transfer Station Expenses line 5150 was set at \$97,000; Town Hall Operating Expenses was level funded at \$21,500; and Rutland County Taxes 5155 \$20,000.

The Appropriations Budget was revised to level fund line 5205 Gilbert Hart Library request at \$47,000.

The Highway Budget was amended to set Diesel 5315 at \$30,000 and Paving 5325 at \$95,000.

The Public Safety budget line 5406 Special Officer Contract was set at \$79,000.

The Capital Budget line 5716 Highway Reserve Fund was revised to \$80,000.

The Recreation Budget was revised to level fund line 5910 the Wallingford Day expense at \$2,500.

With the revisions, the proposed Fiscal Year Budget was set at \$1,605,953, up 7.8 percent.

Town Meeting Article – Sand Shed. By consensus, the Board authorized adding an article to the Town Meeting Warning asking voters to approve securing a bank loan in an amount not to exceed \$110,000 for a period not to exceed 10 years for replacement of the Town's sand shed.

A. Awad made a motion that was seconded by G. Mayer to adjourn at 4:33 p.m. Motion carried (4-0).

Submitted By: Sandi Switzer/Town Administrator

APPROVED THIS 2nd Day of February in the year 2026:

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Carolyn Behrendt _____

Rob Barker _____

Anne Awad _____

Kathy Luzader _____

Glenn Mayer _____