

ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING APRIL 21ST, 2009
WESTON HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

**LEGAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING OF THE
TOWN OF WESTON**

The legal voters of the Town of Weston are hereby notified and warned that the Annual Town Budget Meeting of the Town of Weston will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 8:00 p.m., at the Weston High School Auditorium off Lords Highway and Weston Road, Weston, Connecticut. The Board of Selectmen has nominated Susan Moch to serve as Moderator in accordance with Section 7.13 (b) of the Weston Town Charter.

Persons eligible to vote at this Annual Town Budget Meeting must be an elector of the Town of Weston or a citizen of the age of eighteen years or more who, jointly or severally, is liable to the town, for taxes assessed against him on an assessment of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) on the last completed Grand List of Weston, or who would be liable if not entitled to an exemption.

The meeting shall be held for the following purpose:

1. To consider and act upon the appropriation for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2009. Individual appropriations listed in this Notice and Call may be reduced to an amount less than that recommended by the Board of Finance by an affirmative vote of a majority or more present and voting at this Town Meeting. No motion shall be entertained by the Moderator to reduce the sum of any appropriation in the Board of Selectmen's Budget or of all appropriations recommended by the Board of Finance, or as amended, unless such motion specifies the individual line item in the Notice and Call proposed to be reduced accompanied by the amount of such proposed reduction.

The aforementioned appropriations are summarized as follows:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S BUDGET

Administration & Finance	\$636,520
General Administration	3,363,475
Information Systems	245,056
Probate Court	5,050
Elections/Registrars	34,268
Board of Finance	50,000
Treasurer	0
Assessor	117,002
Tax Collection	111,813
Board of Assessment Appeals	295
Legal Counsel	225,000
Town Clerk	123,857
Historic District Commission	450
Planning and Zoning Commission	102,155
Zoning Board of Appeals	2,600
Conservation Commission	58,405
Building Inspector	116,616

Building Committee	1,200
Volunteer Fire Department	212,174
Fire Marshal	39,873
Animal Control	69,386
Communications Center	312,069
SW Conn. Emerg. Med. Serv.	1,340
Emerg. Med. Commun. Serv.	12,017
Regional Paramedic	127,207
Police Services	1,671,908
Public Works- Highway	1,774,129
Solid Waste Disposal	142,060
Westport/Weston Health Dist.	178,396
SW Regional Mental Health	0
Weston Water Utility	20,450
School/Town Water Supply	38,700
Human Services	78,776
Youth Services	38,815
Commission on Aging	85,084
Public Library	391,689
Recreation Department	183,024
Parks & Fields	125,144
Middle School Pool	<u>97,487</u>

TOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S BUDGET \$10,793,490

TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET \$43,975,601

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET

11. Police Vehicles	47,333
15. Replace Fire Engine #4	150,000
21. Town Bridge Repair	125,000
43. Town Building Capital Improvements	80,000
58. BOE Hurlbutt Corridor Battery Lighting	31,000
59. BOE Hurlbutt Corridor Smoke Detectors	25,000
60. BOE Hurlbutt Domestic Water Lines	10,000
61. BOE 3-5 School Exhaust Fans	10,000
62. BOE 3-5 School Exterior Lighting	18,500
63. BOE Middle School Boiler	139,000
64. BOE Middle School Corridor Lighting	40,000
65. BOE Middle School ADA Elevator	16,000
66. BOE Middle School Pool Equipment	13,500
67. BOE Middle School ADA Door	10,000
68. BOE Middle School Stairwell Railings	6,000
69. BOE Central Office Pipe Insulation	15,000
70. BOE 10% Contingency Projects 58-69	33,400
71. BOE Bus Garage Septic	29,400
76. DPW Roadside Mowers (2)	175,000
77. Coley Field Backstops	10,000
79. DPW Facility Sprinkler System	125,000
82. Energy Conservation Town Hall	75,000

84. BOE/P&R Turf Replacement Fund	20,000
TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET	\$1,204,133

DEBT SERVICE BUDGET

Debt Interest	2,658,799
Debt Principal	<u>4,295,000</u>
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE BUDGET	6,953,799

Lyons Plains Fire House Authorization	300,000
TOTAL TOWN BUDGET	\$63,227,023

Less: Estimated Budget Revenue	2,873,642
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Net to be Raised by Taxation	\$60,353,381
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Proposed Mill Rate @ 97.7% Collection = 23.50

Mills for Uncollectible Taxes = -.54

Estimated Amount for Uncollectible Taxes = \$1,420,806

2. To transact any other business which may properly come before this meeting.

FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Sherwood B. Bliss, First Selectman
 Glenn Major, Selectman
 Gayle Weinstein, Selectwoman

Meeting called to order by First Selectman Woody Bliss

First Selectman Woody Bliss called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM.

First Selectman Bliss requested a moment of silence in remembrance of Ronnie Parenteau.

Mr. Bliss turned the meeting over to the Chairman of the Police Commission Rick Phillips to present the 'Citizen of the Year' award.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

Chairman Phillips presented the Citizen of the Year award to Terry Gaberman and Betsy Peyreigne for their continuing efforts to serve the veterans of Weston which includes hours of time spent Memorial Day and Veterans Day to honor our military. In addition Terry and Betsy have worked very hard setting up the new food pantry. They have both raised public awareness for our veterans and Weston families in need.

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ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING FOR FY 2009-2010

Motion unanimously passed that Susan Moch be appointed Moderator of the meeting.

Ms. Moch appointed Bob Uzenoff to serve as Parliamentarian. Ms. Moch read the State statutes on eligibility to vote and fraudulent voting. She asked all non-eligible voters to sit in the designated non-voting section. Ms. Moch stated Donna Anastasia, Town Clerk is the Clerk of the Meeting.

First Selectman Bliss introduced the head table; Board of Finance Chairman Michael O'Brien Finance Director/Schools Dr. Jo-Ann Keating, Superintendent Jerry Belair, , Town Administrator Tom Landry, Finance Director Rick Darling, Legal Counsel Patricia Sullivan, Bob Uzenoff and Clerk of the meeting Donna M. Anastasia.

Motion unanimously passed to waive the reading of the Call. Ms. Moch directed the Clerk to enter the Call into the record of the meeting.

Ms. Moch read the procedures for making motions and the rules for addressing the Town Meeting. Ms. Moch explained amendment procedures and explained the methods of voting. Each of the following separate single items of the Selectmen's budget will be moved by the Chairman of the Board of Finance. (39 items total)

Ms. Moch explained that the Board of Education budget will be voted upon as a final amount.

Each item of the Capital Improvement budget will be moved separately, a total of 17 items.

The Municipal debt interest and municipal debt principal will be voted on.

The Total Town Budget will be voted on including all preceding items of the call.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S BUDGET

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$636,520. FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$3,363,475.. FOR GENERAL ADMINISTRATION. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$245,056.. FOR INFORMATION SYSTEMS. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$5,050. FOR PROBATE COURT. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$34,268. FOR ELECTIONS/REGISTRARS.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$50,000. FOR BOARD OF FINANCE.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$0. FOR TREASURER. MOTION SECONDED
AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$117,002.. FOR ASSESSOR. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$111,813. FOR TAX COLLECTION. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$295. FOR BOARD OF ASSESSMENT
APPEALS. MOTION SECONDED, AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$225,000.. FOR LEGAL COUNSEL. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$123,857. FOR TOWN CLERK. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$102,155. FOR PLANNING & ZONING
COMMISSION. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$450. FOR HISTORIC DISTRICT
COMMISSION. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$2,600. FOR ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$58,405. FOR CONSERVATION COMMISSION.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$116,616. FOR BUILDING INSPECTOR.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$1,200. FOR BUILDING COMMITTEE.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$212,174. FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE
DEPARTMENT. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$39,873. FOR FIRE MARSHAL. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$69,386. FOR ANIMAL CONTROL. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$312,069. FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$1,340. FOR SW CT EMG SERVICES. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$12,017 FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL COMM.
SERVICES. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$127,207. FOR REGIONAL PARAMEDIC.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$1,671,908. FOR POLICE SERVICES.
MOTION SECONDED, 2 OPPOSED, MOTION PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$1,774,129. FOR PUBLIC WORKS - HIGHWAY.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$142,060. FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$178,396. FOR WESTPORT/WESTON HEALTH
DISTRICT. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$0. SW REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH
BOARD. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$20,450. FOR WESTON WATER UTILITY.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$38,700. FOR SCHOOL/TOWN WATER
SUPPLY. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$78,776. FOR HUMAN SERVICES. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$38,815. FOR YOUTH SERVICES. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$85,084. FOR COMMISSION ON AGING.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$391,689. FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$183,024. FOR RECREATION DEPARTMENT.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$125,144. FOR PARKS AND FIELDS. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$97,487. FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL POOL.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE TOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S BUDGET OF \$10,793,490.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$43,975,601. FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
BUDGET. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

After a voice vote Moderator Moch requested a standing vote. Standing vote is carried
out and motion passes.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$47,333 FOR POLICE VEHICLES. MOTION
SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$150,000. TO REPLACE FIRE ENGINE#4.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$125,000. FOR TOWN BRIDGE REPAIR.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$80,000. FOR TOWN BUILDING CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$31,000. FOR BOE HURLBUTT CORRIDOR
BATTERY LIGHTING MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$25,000. FOR BOE HURLBUTT CORRIDOR
SMOKE DETECTORS MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$10,000. FOR HURLBUTT DOMESTIC WATER
LINES MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$10,000. FOR BOE 3-5 SCHOOL EXHAUST
FANS MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$18,500. FOR BOE 3-5 SCHOOL EXTERIOR
LIGHTING. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$139,000. FOR BOE MIDDLE SCHOOL BOILER. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$40,000. FOR BOE MIDDLE SCHOOL CORRIDOR LIGHTING MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$16,000. FOR BOE MIDDLE SCHOOL ADA ELEVATOR MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$13,500. FOR BOE MIDDLE SCHOOL POOL EQUIPMENT MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$10,000. FOR BOE MIDDLE SCHOOL ADA DOOR MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$6,000. FOR BOE MIDDLE SCHOOL STAIRWELL RAILINGS MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$15,000. FOR BOE CENTRAL OFFICE PIPE INSULATION MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$33,400. FOR BOE 10% CONTINGENCY PROJECTS 68-69 MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$29,400. FOR BOE BUS GARAGE SEPTIC MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$175,000. FOR DPW ROADSIDE MOWERS (2) MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$10,000. FOR COLEY FIELD BACKSTOPS MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$125,000.FOR DPW FACILITY SPRINKLER SYSTEM MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$75,000. FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION TOWN HALL MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$20,000. FOR BOE P&R REPLACEMENT FUND MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

DEBT SERVICE BUDGET

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$2,658,799. FOR DEBT INTEREST.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$4,295,000. FOR DEBT PRINCIPAL.
MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$6,953,799. FOR TOTAL DEBT SERVICE
BUDGET. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

TOTAL TOWN BUDGET

MOVE THE APPROPRIATION OF **\$63,227,023**. FOR THE TOTAL TOWN
BUDGET. MOTION SECONDED AND PASSED.

MOTION MADE TO ADJOURN. MOTION SECONDED AND UNANIMOUSLY
PASSED TO ADJOURN THE TOWN BUDGET MEETING AT 9:41 P.M..

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
DONNA M. ANASTASIA, CLERK OF THE MEETING