



AGENDA
Emergency Selectboard Meeting
Thursday, July 10, 2025, 5:00pm

Hartford Town Hall
171 Bridge Street
White River Jct., VT 05001

This meeting will be conducted in person at Town Hall

- I. Call to Order the Selectboard Meeting (5:00)**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance (5:01)**
- III. Public Comment (5:02)**
- IV. Order of Agenda (5:12)**
- V. Selectboard**
 - 1. Set Tax Rates for FY2026 (5:13)**
 - 2. Approve Tax Bill Flyer (5:40)**
- VI. Adjourn the Selectboard Meeting (5:50)**

All Meetings of the Hartford Selectboard are open to the public. Persons who are seeking action by the Selectboard are asked to submit their request and/or materials to the Selectboard Chair or Town Manager's office no later than noon on the Wednesday preceding the scheduled meeting date. Requests received after that date will be addressed at the discretion of the Chair. Citizens wishing to address the board should do so during the Citizen Comments period.

Tax Rate 2024-2025
Town of Hartford

	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>GRAND LIST</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
General Highway Fund	16,106,719	14,183,161	\$1.1356	\$16,106,719
County Tax	97,663.00	14,183,161	\$0.0069	\$97,663
Restricted Appropriations	257,988	14,183,161	\$0.0182	\$257,988
Local Agreement Rate	41,413	14,183,161	\$0.0029	\$41,413
Total Town Tax Rate	16,503,783		\$1.1636	\$16,503,783
Education Homestead Tax Rate			\$2.0585	
Education Non-Residential Tax Rate			\$2.0977	
Total Town & Education Homestead Tax Rate			\$3.2221	
Total Town & Education Non-Residential Tax Rate			\$3.2613	

Total Appropriation 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

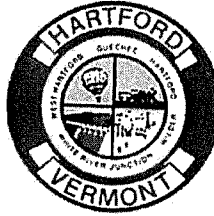
\$16,503,783

OVERLAY

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	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>		
Article 3	Advance Transit, Inc.	\$	98,096.00
Article 4	Community Access Television/JAM	\$	5,000.00
Article 5	The Family Place	\$	9,500.00
Article 6	Good Beginnings of Upper Valley	\$	4,500.00
Article 7	Green Mountain Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)	\$	800.00
Article 8	Hartford Community Coalition	\$	25,000.00
Article 9	Hartford Historical Society	\$	10,000.00
Article 10	Health Care and Rehabilitation Services	\$	9,995.00
Article 11	Public Health Council of the Upper Valley	\$	977.00
Article 12	Senior Solutions	\$	9,000.00
Article 13	Southeastern Vermont Community Action	\$	9,000.00
Article 14	Tri-Valley Transit	\$	6,800.00
Article 15	Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired	\$	975.00
Article 16	Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$	845.00
Article 17	Visiting Nurse and Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire	\$	51,000.00
Article 18	Windsor County Mentors	\$	4,500.00
Article 19	Womens Information Service (WISE) Inc	\$	2,000.00
Article 20	Special Needs	\$	10,000.00
		\$	257,988.00

Dated this 2nd day of July, 2024



Agenda Memorandum

July 2, 2024

Town Selectboard Item: 3

Submitted by: Gail Ostrout

Subject: FYE 2025 Property Tax Rates

Background: Annually the first week of July the Property Tax Rate is set upon the grand list being finalized and the State of Vermont providing the education tax rate.

Discussion:

- A FYE 2025 Tax Rate (Town & Education)**
- B FYE 2024 Tax Rate (Town & Education)**
- C FYE 2025 vs FYE 2024 Tax Rate (Town & Education)**
- D FYE 2025 Town Rate vs Estimated Rate during budgeting**
- E Town Tax Only Look back period FYE 2020-2025**

Financial Impact:

\$203.75 increase for Town Tax only on a \$250k home

\$690.00 increase for Education Homestead only on a \$250k home

\$736.75 increase for Education Non-Residential only on a \$250k home

Recommendation:

That the Selectboard approve:

- The Fiscal Year 2025 General Highway Fund with:
 - \$16,106,719 for Appropriation,
 - \$14,183,161 for Grand List,
 - \$1.1356 for Rate,
 - and \$16,106,719 for Revenue;
- The Fiscal Year 2025 County Tax with:
 - \$97,663 for Appropriation,
 - \$14,183,161 for Grand List,
 - \$0.0069 for Rate,
 - and \$97,663 for Revenue;
- The Fiscal Year 2025 Restricted Appropriations with:
 - \$257,988 for Appropriation,
 - \$14,183,161 for Grand List,
 - \$0.0182 for Rate,
 - and \$257,988 for Revenue;
- The Fiscal Year 2025 Local Agreement Rate with:
 - \$41,413 for Appropriation,
 - \$14,183,161 for Grand List,
 - \$0.0029 for Rate,
 - and \$41,413 for Revenue;
- Total Fiscal Year 2025 Town Tax:
 - \$16,503,783 for Appropriation,
 - \$1.1636 for Rate,
 - and \$16,503,783 for Revenue;
- Education Homestead Tax Rate \$2.0585
- Education Non-Homestead Tax Rate: \$2.0977
- Total Town and Education Homestead Tax Rate: \$3.2221
- Total Town and Education Non-Homestead Tax Rate: \$3.2613
- Total Appropriation 2024-2025 Fiscal Year: \$16,503,783

 Gail Ostrout

Finance Director

Tax Rate 2025 - 2026

Town of Hartford

Voter Approved Budget Amount on Ballot:	\$	22,465,113.82
Voter Approved Restricted Appropriations	\$	211,393.00
Includes County Tax & Local Agreement		
	\$	22,676,506.82

Changes:

Plus Voter Approved BCA Stipend Increase:

Board of Civil Authority	\$	13,850.00
Payroll Taxes Related to BCA Stipend Increase	\$	1,121.00
Less Removal of Curbside Cycling Transfer	\$	(325,000.00)
County Tax Increase	\$	16,026.97
	\$	(294,002.03)

Revised Final Budget

\$ 22,382,504.79

Less Unassigned Fund	\$	(1,479,000.00)
Less ARPA Funds	\$	(149,255.91)
Less Fee for Service	\$	(3,639,190.00)
	\$	(5,267,445.91)

Total Amount to be raised by Taxes	\$	17,115,058.88
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	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>GRAND LIST</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
General/Highway Fund	\$ 16,761,924.52	\$ 26,145,495.00	\$0.6411	\$16,761,924.52
County Tax	\$ 116,026.97	\$ 26,145,495.00	\$0.0044	\$116,026.97
Restricted Appropriations	\$ 211,393.00	\$ 26,145,495.00	\$0.0081	\$211,393.00
Local Agreement Rate	\$ 25,714.39	\$ 26,145,495.00	\$0.0010	\$25,714.39
Total Town Tax Rate	\$ 17,115,058.88	\$ 26,145,495.00	\$0.6546	\$17,115,058.88

Education Homestead Tax Rate	\$1.2590
Education Non-Residential Tax Rate	\$1.1916

Total Town & Education Homestead Tax Rate	\$1.9136
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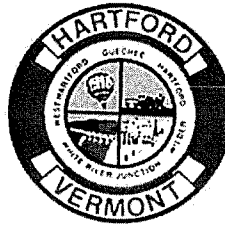
Total Town & Education Non-Residential Tax Rate	\$1.8462
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Total Appropriation 2025-2026 Fiscal Year	\$17,115,058.88
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APPROPRIATIONS

Article 3	Advance Transit, Inc	\$98,096
Article 4	Community Access Television/JAM	\$5,000
Article 5	The Family Place	\$9,500
Article 6	Good Beginnings of Upper Valley	\$4,500
Article 7	Green Mountain Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)	\$800
Article 8	Hartford Community Coalition	\$25,000
Article 9	Hartford Historical Society	\$10,000
Article 10	Health Care and Rehabilitation Services	\$9,995
Article 11	Public Health Council of the Upper Valley	\$5,382
Article 12	Senior Solutions	\$9,000
Article 13	Southeastern Vermont Community Action	\$9,000
Article 14	Tri-Valley Transit	\$6,800
Article 15	Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired	\$975
Article 16	Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$845
Article 17	Windsor County Mentors	\$4,500
Article 18	Womens Information Service (WISE) Inc	\$2,000
Article 19	Special Needs Support Center	\$10,000
	Total:	\$211,393

Dated this 10 day of July, 2025



Agenda Memorandum

July 10, 2025 *REVISED 7.11.25*

Town Selectboard Item: 1

Submitted by: Gail Ostrout

Subject: FYE 2026 Property Tax Rates

Background: Annually within the first two weeks of July the Property Tax Rate is set upon the grand list being finalized and the State of Vermont providing the education tax rate.

Discussion: 1. The State of Vermont provided the education tax rate this morning.

2. FYE 2026 Tax Rate (Town & Education)

Town = \$0.6546

Education Homestead = \$1.2590

Education Non-Homestead = \$1.1916

3. FYE 2025 Tax Rate (Town & Education)

Town = \$1.1636

Education Homestead = \$2.0585

Education Non-Homestead = \$2.0977

C Town Tax Only Look back period FYE 2023-2025

2023 = \$1.0471

2024 = \$1.0821

2025 = \$1.1636

Financial Impact:

The grand list values:

FYE 2025 \$1,418,316,000

FYE 2026 \$2,614,549,500

Increase \$1,196,233,500

\$1,636.52 FYE 2026 Town Tax only on a \$250k home

\$1,272.48 decrease from FYE 2025 (\$2,909)

\$3,147.50 FYE 2026 Education Homestead only on a \$250k home

\$1,998.75 decrease from FYE 2025 (\$5,146.25)

\$2,979.00 FYE 2026 Education Non-Residential only on a \$250k home

\$2,265.25 decrease from FYE 2025 (5,244.25)

Recommendation:

That the Selectboard approve:

- The Fiscal Year 2026 General Highway Fund with:
 - \$16,761,924.52 for Appropriation,
 - \$2,614,549,500 for Grand List,
 - \$0.6411 for Rate,
 - and \$16,761,924.52 for Revenue;
- The Fiscal Year 2026 County Tax with:
 - \$116,026.97 for Appropriation,
 - \$2,614,549,500 for Grand List,
 - \$0.0044 for Rate,
 - and \$116,026.97 for Revenue;
- The Fiscal Year 2026 Restricted Appropriations with:
 - \$211,393 for Appropriation,
 - \$2,614,549,500 for Grand List,
 - \$0.0081 for Rate,
 - and \$211,393 for Revenue;
- The Fiscal Year 2026 Local Agreement Rate with:
 - \$25,714.39 for Appropriation,
 - \$2,614,549,500 for Grand List,
 - \$0.0010 for Rate,
 - and \$25,714.39 for Revenue;
- Total Fiscal Year 2026 Town Tax:
 - \$17,115,058.88 for Appropriation,
 - \$0.6546 for Rate,
 - and \$17,115,058.88 for Revenue;
- Education Homestead Tax Rate \$1.2590
- Education Non-Homestead Tax Rate: \$1.1916
- Total Town and Education Homestead Tax Rate: \$1.9136
- Total Town and Education Non-Homestead Tax Rate: \$1.8462
- * • Total Appropriation 2025-2026 Fiscal Year: \$17,115,058.88 ** *

 Gail Ostrout

Finance Director