

Legal Notice - Town of Chester

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The electors of the TOWN OF CHESTER, CT and all other citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the said TOWN OF CHESTER are hereby notified and warned that a Special Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23rd, 2006 at 7:30pm at the Meeting House at 4 Liberty Street to consider and act upon the following:

1. To select the method of payment and due date of installments of property taxes in keeping with CT General Statutes 12-143 as follows:
 - a. Real estate taxes due in two halves, first half due July 1, 2006 and the second half due January 1, 2007
 - b. All motor vehicle bills due in one payment of July 1, 2006
 - c. All motor vehicle supplement bills due in one payment on January 1, 2007
 - d. Minimum interest charge of \$2.00
 - e. Negate all bills under \$5.00
2. To adopt a five year capital plan to be updated annually as recommended by the Board of Finance.
3. To Authorize the Treasurer to post the Capital Fund interest and closed line item balances to the Capital Undesignated line item on a quarterly basis through fiscal year end June 30, 2007.
4. To budget for the Town of Chester for fiscal year July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 an amount totaling \$11,123,575 as recommended by the Board of Finance.
5. To authorize the First Selectman and Treasurer to borrow such sums of money from time to time as may be necessary to defray expenses of the Town in accordance with authorized appropriations of fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.

A copy of all texts are on file with the Town Clerk's office.
Signed and sealed in Chester this 9th Day of May, 2006.

Thomas E. Marsh
First Selectman
Bruce H. Watrous
Selectman
Martin L. Heft
Selectman



Revenue in Brief

State of Connecticut	Education	\$617,792
	General	\$420,074
Local Revenue and Fees	Property Taxes	\$9,190,259
	General	\$502,232
From Fund Balance	General Fund Balance	<u>\$393,218</u>
Total Income		<u>\$11,123,575</u>

Expenditures in Brief

Town Government	\$3,736,391
Capital	\$149,188
Chester Elementary School	\$3,725,509
Regional School District #4	<u>\$3,512,487</u>
Total Expense	<u>\$11,123,575</u>

Tax Calculation Current Year (net assessment x mill rate x projected collection percentage)

Current Year	\$9,149,759	(415,247,902 x 22.37 x 98.5%)
Prior Years	\$20,000	
Interest and Fees	\$20,000	
Tax Warrants	<u>\$500</u>	
Total Taxes	<u>\$9,190,259</u>	

General Fund Balance

Total Fund Balance on June 30, 2005	\$1,356,802
Designated for 05/06 Budget	-\$276,645
Grant Receipts - Unbudgeted	\$0
Additional Appropriations	-\$2,467
Designated for 06/07 Budget	-\$393,218
Projected June 30, 2007 Fund Balance	\$684,472

Revenue

Description	Actual 2004/2005	Budgeted 2005/2006	Proposed 2006/2007
State of Connecticut - Education			
Education - ECS	\$557,755.00	\$608,523.00	\$610,177.00
Elementary School Transportation	\$5,024.00	\$7,654.00	\$7,615.00
Total State of Connecticut - Education	\$562,779.00	\$616,177.00	\$617,792.00
State of Connecticut - General Government			
Boat Registration	\$21,472.00	\$21,472.00	\$21,472.00
Elderly Tax Relief - Circuit Breaker	\$19,518.00	\$21,595.00	\$21,144.00
Gas Tax Refund	\$3,332.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Judicial Fine Reimbursement	\$590.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Bridge Construction Grant	\$6,600.00	\$510,400.00	\$0.00
School Bond Grant Principal	\$94,281.00	\$90,509.00	\$88,624.00
State Owned Property	\$9,360.00	\$13,542.00	\$13,839.00
Telecommunications	\$27,689.00	\$27,689.00	\$21,736.00
Veterans' Tax Exemption	\$2,102.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Grants	\$66,752.00	\$13,487.00	\$0.00
Local Capital Improvement Project	\$30,993.00	\$55,821.00	\$83,516.00
Manufacturing New Machine & Equipment	\$55,550.00	\$50,000.00	\$60,000.00
Mashantucket Pequot	\$16,762.00	\$16,151.00	\$22,988.00
Miscellaneous State Income	\$1,342.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Road Construction Grant	\$8,704.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totally Disabled Exempt	\$172.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Town Aid Road	\$60,169.00	\$84,333.00	\$84,255.00
Total State of Connecticut - General Government	\$425,388.00	\$907,499.00	\$420,074.00
Property Taxes			
Grand List Current Year	\$8,730,503.00	\$8,734,046.00	\$9,149,759.00
Prior Year Taxes	\$49,645.00	\$19,447.00	\$20,000.00
Interest and Fees	\$54,070.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Tax Warrants	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Total Property Taxes	\$8,834,218.00	\$8,773,993.00	\$9,190,259.00
Licenses and Permits			
Aircraft Registration	\$16,520.00	\$16,500.00	\$14,000.00
Environmental Fund	\$2,450.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
Fire Marshal Permits	\$480.00	\$650.00	\$650.00
Dog Licenses	\$2,209.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,200.00
Building Permits	\$72,374.00	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
Pistol Permit	\$140.00	\$450.00	\$140.00
Inland Wetland Permits	\$868.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Solicitors' License	\$150.00	\$80.00	\$80.00
Planning and Zoning Permits	\$3,579.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Raffle Permits	\$45.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Sanitation Permits	\$9,490.00	\$8,800.00	\$4,000.00
Zoning Board of Appeals Permits	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Total Licenses and Permits	\$108,805.00	\$97,180.00	\$89,720.00
Local Revenues			
Ambulance	\$105,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
Bids	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Education Tuition	\$22,562.00	\$22,562.00	\$24,594.00
Interest	\$59,039.00	\$50,000.00	\$70,000.00
Capital Reserve Allocation	\$421,274.00	\$370,726.00	\$0.00
Conveyance Tax	\$65,203.00	\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00
Parking Violations	\$2,438.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Park & Recreation Passes - Cedar Lake	\$7,538.00	\$7,300.00	\$7,500.00
Park & Recreation Passes - Other	\$12,092.00	\$13,200.00	\$14,025.00
Town Clerk Fees	\$43,906.00	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00
Library Fines	\$2,423.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,400.00
Pension Fund	\$0.00	\$6,500.00	\$0.00
WPCA	\$1,973.00	\$2,023.00	\$2,023.00
Rental - Cedar Lake Shack	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Rental - Meeting House/Community Center	\$5,935.00	\$10,000.00	\$3,000.00
Rental - 203 Middlesex Avenue	\$66,802.00	\$65,990.00	\$65,990.00
Rental - 20 Water Street	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,680.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$5,032.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Coin Telephone	\$17.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
Copier - Library	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$300.00
Copier - Assessor	\$1,013.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
Sale - Obsolete Items	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
Total Local Revenues	\$822,847.00	\$789,451.00	\$412,512.00
Designated from General Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$279,112.20	\$393,218.00
Grand Total	\$10,754,037.00	\$11,463,412.20	\$11,123,575.00

Expenses

Description	Actual 2004/2005	Adjusted Budget 2005/2006	Proposed Budget 2006/2007
General Government			
Board of Selectmen	\$98,456.00	\$100,748.00	\$95,929.00
Finance	\$66,876.00	\$69,237.00	\$73,615.00
Revenue Refund	\$11,904.00	\$9,200.00	\$9,200.00
Town Office Operations	\$50,933.00	\$60,030.00	\$50,257.00
Town Clerk	\$72,194.00	\$74,054.00	\$68,389.00
Probate	\$2,551.00	\$2,575.00	\$2,650.00
Treasurer	\$13,994.00	\$13,702.00	\$14,298.00
Tax Collector	\$51,128.00	\$53,099.00	\$54,388.00
Assessor	\$84,298.00	\$87,941.00	\$98,462.00
Board of Assessment Appeal	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$750.00
Board of Finance	\$23,200.00	\$19,600.00	\$19,600.00
Registrar of Voters	\$8,234.00	\$8,377.00	\$8,717.00
Building Department	\$18,127.00	\$19,074.00	\$27,269.00
Conservation Commission	\$1,006.00	\$2,170.00	\$1,450.00
Harbor Management	\$1,274.00	\$1,477.00	\$1,222.00
Planning and Zoning Commission	\$22,341.00	\$24,890.00	\$26,664.00
Inland Wetlands	\$9,307.00	\$9,932.00	\$10,255.00
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$2,294.00	\$2,075.00	\$2,275.00
Economic Development Commission	\$821.00	\$1,670.00	\$3,280.00
Park and Recreation Commission	\$70,505.00	\$74,027.00	\$78,693.00
Library	\$81,834.00	\$85,260.00	\$88,871.00
Total General Government	\$691,927.00	\$719,788.00	\$736,234.00
Public Works			
Highway	\$799,232.00	\$966,398.81	\$913,452.00
Building and Grounds	\$165,109.00	\$161,405.00	\$155,110.00
Municipal Services	\$142,694.00	\$143,660.00	\$145,160.00
Total Public Works	\$1,107,035.00	\$1,271,463.81	\$1,213,722.00
Public Safety			
Fire Protection	\$195,562.00	\$232,829.00	\$222,460.00
Police Protection	\$137,491.00	\$158,425.00	\$156,219.00
Safety Services	\$112,468.00	\$111,722.00	\$128,550.00
Animal Control	\$15,253.00	\$16,999.00	\$17,361.00
Total Public Safety	\$460,774.00	\$519,975.00	\$524,590.00
Health and Welfare			
Health Services	\$30,250.00	\$31,435.00	\$31,500.00
Sanitation Department	\$15,673.00	\$16,465.00	\$16,899.00
Human Services Department	\$29,206.00	\$69,814.00	\$68,872.00
Total Health and Welfare	\$75,129.00	\$117,714.00	\$117,271.00
Miscellaneous			
Employee Benefits	\$334,831.00	\$333,182.20	\$387,930.00
Retirement Board	\$100,500.00	\$124,700.00	\$83,200.00
Municipal Insurance	\$110,374.00	\$99,725.00	\$98,055.00
Payments to Organization	\$82,125.00	\$14,419.00	\$16,624.00
Bond/Interest	\$506,240.00	\$485,390.00	\$468,765.00
Total Miscellaneous	\$1,134,070.00	\$1,057,416.20	\$1,054,574.00
Reserve Funds			
Capital Reserve Fund	\$394,836.00	\$597,050.00	\$149,188.00
Contingency Account	\$20,661.00	\$85,245.19	\$90,000.00
Transfer out to Town Office Bldg. Fund	\$83,509.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Reserve Funds	\$499,006.00	\$682,295.19	\$239,188.00
Education			
Chester Elementary School	\$3,412,768.00	\$3,563,277.00	\$3,725,509.00
Regional School District #4	\$3,584,021.00	\$3,531,483.00	\$3,512,487.00
Total Education	\$6,996,789.00	\$7,094,760.00	\$7,237,996.00
Grand Total	\$10,964,730.00	\$11,463,412.20	\$11,123,575.00