

Town of Stow
Budget Committee Meeting
November 19, 2025
Stow Town Hall

Present: D. Tamaska, M. Reilly, T. Patnaude, M. Carbone, S. Dupuis (Selectperson), N. Boros (Town Treasurer), M. Tamaska (Road Committee), R. Flint (Selectperson)

Absent: P. Lusky

Meeting Called to order at 6:32 pm

Minutes from October 15, 2025 meeting approved

Discussion:

- T. Patnaude asks selectboard members for what they are looking for from increased frequency of meetings
 - Asking budget committee to find its mission
 - Seek to form budget together with Selectboard
- S Chatham Rd work approx cost \$150k
 - Using this number to estimate for 113B (expected to cost more than S. Chatham Rd)
- FEMA money should be coming in by year end (from 2023)
 - Plan to move funds into contingency fund/cash reserve
- S. Dupuis suggests a freeze on many aspects of spending
- Nancy asked Library for documents and data
- Ask Christine about modifications to warrant during town meeting
 - Articles must be open-ended to adjust up and down
 - Fixed dollar amounts can only be adjusted down
- Nancy suggests to take money from excise instead of a "round number" from equity for Highway accounts
- Planning board intends to request the same amount (\$5k) to the Comprehensive Plan account
- Suggested to move any leftover money from CP-415 (Computer System) and CP-452 (Equipment)
- Holding on additional Grant Writer funds
- Goal to raise 30k for roads without increasing budget
 - Breakdown from S. Dupuis
 - Equip 4312
 - Bridges 3000
 - Comp plan 5000
 - Deferred 25k
 - Hobbs 2200
- Nancy mentioned creating a fixed tax commitment date

- Communicate with non-profits upon requests for documentation and available data

Meeting adjourned 7:42 pm

Next meeting December 10 , 2025