



GEORGIA VERMONT

Selectboard Special Meeting: FY26 Budget Discussion Thursday, November 13, 2025 at 6:00 PM Chris Letourneau Meeting Room and via Zoom Minutes

Zoom Details:

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1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

SELECTBOARD PRESENT

Chair Kristina Senna, Kellie Bosenberg, Carl Rosenquist

SELECTBOARD ABSENT

Vice Chair Brian Dunsmore, Judith Nasca

STAFF PRESENT

Kollene Caspers, Lori Hobart

2. OTHER

Chair Update-

- Chair Senna thanked Carl Rosenquist for his Service in Honor of Veterans Day.
- Thanks were also extended to the Town of Georgia Road Crew for clearing the roads on Monday night and Tuesday during and after the snowstorm.

A. FY 26 Budget Discussions

- L. Hobart has sent out a spreadsheet for all Town departments to determine their budget, leaving out salary/benefit/HSA which will be calculated later. All Departments have been asked to budget for a 3.5% increase.
- The Selectboard went through the Town budget spreadsheets provided by L. Hobart to prepare for budget discussions with each Department. Beginning with **Revenue**, members went through each line item to determine what will stay consistent and what may increase.

- The Selectboard moved on to **Grants, Reserve Funds and Impact Fees**. L. Hobart answered questions on the different funds and the Selectboard adjusted the line items accordingly.
- The Selectboard reviewed **Department and Organization Budgets** in preparation for the budget meetings with department and organization heads. L. Hobart answered questions on any line items that exceeded budget or were very low compared to what was budgeted.
- Discussion was had on whether taxpayer approval to borrow funds in anticipation of taxes should be added to the ballot.
- The Selectboard should start thinking about the Annual Town Report, cover photo and the dedication.
- Contracts for contracted services will need to be available for review at the next meeting for budgeting purposes. L. Hobart will work with the Town Administrator to have those available to the Selectboard.
- K. Caspers, Town Health Officer, was available to discuss the THO budget. She suggested an increase in salary from \$650/year to \$1,000/year.
- Local Options Tax updates- L. Hobart reached out to area Towns for information on the local options taxes, and how can residents opt out of the tax for St. Albans. L. Hobart will ask the State questions on how local options taxes work.
- C. Rosenquist had questions on bridge repair, if the Bridge #28 repairs are significantly under budget, is the Town able to use the remainder of funds to repair another town bridge? L. Hobart will reach out to the bond bank for more information & ask S. Katon to follow up with the project engineer.
- C. Rosenquist also inquired about whether the Selectboard would be interested in pursuing the Fairbanks property purchase for future Town or library purposes. The Selectboard took the information under advisement.

3. PLAN NEXT BUDGET MEETING AGENDA

A. November 20, 2025

- Meeting with the following Department Heads- Library and Town Clerk.
- L. Hobart will reach out to the department heads and other organizations to schedule meeting times.

4. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 7:39pm

Motion made by C. Rosenquist, Seconded by K. Bosenberg

Voting Yea: Chair Senna, K. Bosenberg, C. Rosenquist

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Signed: Stacy Katon, Town Administrator

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