



Dear Fairfielders,

As far back as anyone can recall, this is the first time the budget passed all three town boards unanimously, and it has to be the RTM's shortest budget meeting in history with unanimous approval in just 12 minutes.

I am very proud of the work my administration did to deliver a budget that is responsible with a less than 1% increase, while inflationary pressures and increasing utility costs have put burdens on all of us.

The FY24 budget includes a large investment in Fairfield Public Schools, funds our long-term liabilities and the Senior and Disabled Tax Relief program, which gives back to those residents who helped build Fairfield for the next generation, and keeps spending low despite record high inflation and supply chain issues.

This budget continues efforts to reorganize the Town's workforce to improve processes and modernize services for residents. In addition to the full-time social worker and social services coordinator added to the Police Department and Social Services Departments, the budget allocates funds for a new police officer, aimed at continuing to create a complementary balance between law enforcement and social services in the community. And, this budget effectively manages the many existing projects and pending infrastructure needs, so Fairfield remains attractive for generations to come.

The Board of Finance set the mill rate last Thursday at 27.51 mills. Here is the [budget summary report](#). To watch the meeting, [click here](#).

To watch the BOS Budget Vote meeting, [click here](#).

To watch the BOF Budget Vote meeting, [click here](#).

To watch the RTM Budget Vote meeting, [click here](#).

Sincerely,

Brenda L. Kupchick