



Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting

February 8, 2023
3:00 P.M.

The minutes reflect motions and a summary of the discussion. Refer to the attached link for the recording of this meeting:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0HAJwDoC_c4

Jean Speck, Rufus deRham and Glenn Sanchez.

Also present:

Darlene Brady, Melissa Cherniske, Jen Dubray, John Grant, Lynn Harrington, Donna Hayes, Barbara Herbst, Tai Kern, Andy Ocif and Rick Osborne.

Call to order:

Jean Speck called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

2023/2024 FY Operating Budget:

The Board of Selectmen discussed the following budget items:

- Lines 216-220 Attorney fees:
 - Rufus suggested adding more – it is a reval year.
 - Requested the dollar amount spent on the last reval that went to litigation from Barbara Herbst.
- Line 245 Insurance:
 - Jean Speck:
 - Requested additional funds be added for Cyber Security Insurance.
 - No current quote, there are still a number of things we need to put in place prior to requesting quotes.
 - Hope to have a plan by the February 22nd meeting.
 - The Board agreed to increase the line to \$134,000
- Adding a grant writer:
 - Jean Speck:
 - Suggested adding a parttime grant specialist.
 - Had spoken with BoF on the concept.
- Line 257 – Police Protection:
 - Andrew Ocif;
 - Submitted a letter (attached) to the BoS requesting a second fulltime Resident Trooper be added to the proposed budget.
 - Glenn Sanchez:
 - There was just a referendum for a second trooper as an SRO who would help out in the summer and it was resoundingly defeated.

- Based on the referendum results and the proposed budget figures going up considerably, not enough wiggle room to add another trooper.
 - For those reasons, would not support a second trooper at this time.
 - Rufus deRham:
 - Agreed with Glenn.
 - Can Kent share a trooper with another town?
 - Jean Speck:
 - Been talking about this for four (4) years.
 - It is a matter of safety.
 - The consequences of not adding a second trooper are huge.
 - There is patrol that covers Kent when the Resident Trooper is off duty and we hire other troopers for overtime to provide assistance.
 - That patrol covers over 100 miles of territory between Warren, Washington and Kent.
 - There is a staffing shortage at Troop L, should be about 1,200 troopers and they are about 400 troopers short.
 - We should be providing quality public safety.
 - It would enable us to possibly give that trooper some time over at the school.
 - Would be looking for some grant money to offset costs.
- For the next meeting:
 - Jean Speck;
 - Provide concrete data to support the need for a second trooper.
 - Call volume.
 - Confirm if the Town can request a rookie at a lower rate.
 - Look for grant funding for the second trooper.
 - Glenn Sanchez:
 - Requested a breakdown of the Trooper Fisher's salary and overtime paid out of line 257.
- Lines 221 – 233 Grants:
 - Request any grant recipient that requested an increase be at the next meeting on Wednesday, February 15th at 3:00 p.m.
- Salaries:
 - Barbara Herbst entered a 4% across the board salary payroll increase.
 - A number of departments have submitted requests for increases beyond the 4%.
 - Jean will send out a request, today or tomorrow, for narratives for any salary increase request above the 4%.
 - The salaries will be discussed at the February 22nd meeting from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. prior to the Regular monthly Bos meeting at 4:00 p.m.
- Jean Speck:
 - The budget will be presented to the BoF on March 20th.

- The BoS has to vote to move the budget onto the BoF on March 1st.
- The BoS will need to make on motion on the request for the second trooper at the next meeting, so if the BoS votes it down, Andy Ocif can move forward with a petition.

Public Comment:

- Melissa Cherniske:
 - Where can one find the documents discussed in the meeting today?
- Jean Speck:
 - Will work with Barbara Herbst to get a folder put on the website.

Adjourn:

Rufus deRham made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:22 p.m. Jean Speck seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Joyce Kearns
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Administrative Assistant

These are draft minutes and the Board of Selectmen at the subsequent meeting may make corrections. Please refer to subsequent meeting minutes for possible corrections and approval.



BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Special Meeting Agenda
February 8, 2023 @ 3:30 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting:	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83444583106
Meeting ID:	834 4458 3106
One tap mobile:	+13092053325,,83444583106# US

Supporting documentation for this meeting: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Ha83RKmMaUnJg5_2PXXbdzqwZAgpHTSB

1. Call to order.
2. 23/24 FY Operating Budget
3. Public Comment.
4. Adjourn.

FY '24 Proposal Submissions received

2/3/2023
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Rec'd Line #	Dept	
87	016-000	Assessor
216	051-000	Attorney Fees
✓ 122	018-000	Board of Assessment Appeals
72	014-000	Board of Finance
370	300-000	BoE
✓ 197	027-000	Building Dept
✓ 229	060-814	Chore Service
✓ 340	032-000	Community House
131	021-000	Conservation Commission
246	079-000	Contingency
✓ 238	070-855	COST
✓ 237	070-854	CT Conf Muni
✓ 270	040-000	DPW - HWY Dept
✓ 299	040-602	DPW - Roads
✓ 261	031-000	DPW - Town Garage
✓ 260	056-000	Emergency Management
✓ 258	054-500	EMS Staffing
✓ 247	028-000	Fire Marshal
✓ 227	060-812	Fire Protection (KVFD)
✓ 231	060-819	Greenwoods
244	070-000	Historic District Comm
236	070-853	Housatonic River Commission
✓ 243	070-860	Housatonic Valley Assoc
✓ 225	060-810	HYSB
✓ 182	026-000	I/W
✓ 245	075-000	Insurance
✓ 228	060-813	Kent Cemetery Assoc
✓ 222	060-807	Kent Community Nursery School
✓ 226	060-811	Kent Library
✓ 233	060-821	Kent Village Housing for the Elderly
240	070-857	Lake Waramaug Authority
239	070-856	Lake Waramaug Inter
369	044-000	Landfill Monitoring
✓ 300	042-502	Lighting-Town Utility
259	055-000	Litchfield Cnty Dispatch
✓ 232	060-820	Literacy Volunteers
✓ 221	060-804	NW Conservation District
230	060-807	NW CT Regionl Housing
✓ 242	070-859	NW Elderly Nutrition
235	070-852	NW Hills CoG
✓ 324	023-000	P/R
✓ 355	046-000	P/R KCS Ballfields

Rec'd	Line #	GL	Organization
✓	153	024-000	P/Z
✓	241	070-858	Paramedic
	257	054-000	Police Protection
✓	57	070-000	Probate
✓	58	013-000	Registrar of Voters
	234	070-851	Rural Transit
✓	40	010-000	Selectmen's Office
✓	314	033-000	Senior Center
✓	303	029-000	Social Services
✓	223	060-808	Susan B Anthony
✓	348	034-000	Swift House
✓	323	052-000	TAHD
✓	105	017-000	Tax Collector
	299	041-000	Town Aid Road
✓	137	022-000	Town Clerk
✓	203	027-000	Town Hall
✓	356	043-000	Transfer Station
✓	79	015-000	Treasurer
✓	302	045-680	Tree Work
✓	301	042-504	Water - Town Utility
	322	050-501	Welcome Center
	224	060-809	Women Support Svcs
✓	173	025-000	ZBA

1) Anticipated figures are not final. Currently the YTD amounts have been extrapolated out over the 12 month period to create a starting place. A fine point will be put on the anticipated figures as the Fiscal Year progresses and Department heads provide their input.

2) Health Insurance is currently budgeted at 18% however it is expected (based on information from our insurance broker) that the final increase will be much lower. This information will be updated when new information is available.

3) There are still MANY variables:
Change in Grand List - not rec'd yet from Assessor
KVFD abatement increase?
Board of Education and Region One, (BoE to release their request in early March)

TOWN OF KENT
Summary of Proposed Budget
Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024

*BoF to set Mil Rate
In late May*

	Jul '20 Jun '21	Jul '21 Jun '22	Current Fiscal Year Jul '22 Jun '23		Jul '23 Jun '24	Change from FY '23 Budget to Proposed FY '24	% of Total Budget
	Actuals	Actuals	Anticipated	Budget	Proposed	% of increase	
A • General Government	1,329,985	1,365,617	1,599,771	1,604,964	1,826,190	13.78%	12.3%
B • Public Safety	277,708	400,606	507,432	514,236	521,948	1.50%	3.5%
C • Public Works	1,432,403	1,627,583	1,713,117	1,856,172	1,886,891	1.65%	12.8%
D • Health and Welfare	119,051	117,826	171,695	178,842	195,240	9.17%	1.3%
E • Recreation	162,274	151,756	298,656	271,529	341,495	25.77%	2.3%
F • Sanitation	149,824	127,394	148,651	147,932	160,200	8.29%	1.1%
Total Bos Budget	3,471,245	3,790,782	4,439,322	4,573,675	4,931,964	7.83%	\$358,290 33.4%
G • Board of Education	7,076,743	6,999,684	7,241,710	7,241,710	7,241,710	0.00%	\$0 49.0%
H • Debt Service	432,569	38,906	38,906	38,906	38,906	0.00%	\$0 0.3%
I • Transfer to Capital	1,092,847	1,001,341	1,078,408	1,078,408	1,471,115	36.42%	\$392,707 9.9%
J • Trnsf to Dog Fund	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	0.00%	\$0 0.1%
L • Trnsf to Schaghticoke		30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000		
Total Tax Budget	12,080,903	11,868,214	12,835,846	12,970,199	13,721,195	5.79%	\$750,997 92.8%
K • CY Capital Projects	945,000	936,000	806,000	806,000	1,067,235	32.41%	\$261,235 7.2%
All Totals	13,025,903	12,804,214	13,641,846	13,776,199	14,788,430	7.35%	\$1,012,232

"A" consists of:	Ln #	"B" consists of:	Ln #
Board of Selectmen	40	Fire Marshal	247
Probate	57	Resident Trooper	257
Elections	58	EMS Staffing	258
Board of Finance	72	Litchfield Cnty Dispatch	259
Treasurer	79	Emergency Management	260
Tax Assessor	87	"C" consists of	
Tax Collector	105	Town Garage Building	261
Bd of Assessment Appeals	122	Highway Department	270
Conservation	131	Roads	299
Town Clerk	137	"D" consists of	
Planning and Zoning	153	Social Services	303
ZBA	173	Senior Center	314
Inland Wetlands	182	Public Restrooms	322
Building Inspector	197	Dir of Health/Hlt Dist.	323
Town Hall	203	"E" consists of	
Attorney Fees	216	Park and Recreation	324
Grants	221	Community House	340
Associations	234	Swift House	348
Historic District Comm	244	KCS Ballfield Maintenance	355
Insurance	245	"F" consists of	
Contingency	246	Transfer Station	356

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	FY	FY
	2020-2021	2021 - 2022

FY 2023 -
2024

% over
current
year
budget

010 · Board of Selectmen							
40	Salaries (3 Selectmen)	81,967	83,607	86,951	86,951	90,429	4.00%
41	Administrative Assistant	52,020	53,060	55,182	55,182	62,400	13.08%
42	HI Opt-Out Stipend	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0.00%
43	Health	38,367	37,418	41,018	41,018	33,918	-17.31%
44	Pension	3,641	8,827	9,180	9,180	9,898	7.82%
45	Social Security	11,055	11,241	12,029	12,029	12,846	6.80%
46	Supplies	1,616	1,405	500	500	500	0.00%
47	Postage	141	290	300	300	300	0.00%
48	Notices	114	1,433	1,200	500	500	0.00%
49	Mileage	-	-	-	500	500	0.00%
51	Discretionary	317	100	250	250	250	0.00%
52	Newsletter	627	-	650	650	650	0.00%
53	Telephone	-	600	600	600	600	0.00%
56	Conferences	1,682	229	339	250	250	0.00%
Total 010-000 · Board of Selectmen		206,547	213,211	223,199	222,910	228,042	2.30%
012-511 · Litchfield Probate Court							
013 Registrar of Voters							
58	Registrars & Deputies	22,420	18,466	37,440	22,356	24,982	11.75%
59	Workers	2,847	1,672	8,824	10,425	10,842	4.00%
60	Social Security	1,565	1,364	3,539	2,506	2,741	9.36%
61	Supplies	3,208	8,336	7,000	7,875	17,375	120.63%
62	Postage	333	62	500	500	500	0.00%
63	Notices	-	-	66	65	65	0.00%
64	Mileage	87	115	150	600	800	33.33%
65	Election Refreshments	548	380	1,050	600	800	33.33%
69	Dues	300	-	160	200	200	0.00%
70	Conferences	530	720	1,300	2,500	3,500	40.00%
71	Training	1,420	1,705	1,500	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Total 013-000 · Registrar of Voters		33,257	32,820	61,529	49,627	63,804	28.57%
014 Board of Finance							
Compensation							
72	Clerk	827	1,950	2,400	2,400	2,400	0.00%
74	Social Security	61	178	184	184	184	-0.22%
75	Supplies	518	650	-	50	50	0.00%
76	Notices	-	95	115	115	115	0.00%
Insurance @ +18% and payroll @ +4%							
adding \$9k for fireproof file, \$600 for phone and \$150 for door blinds							
No support was provided for other increases							
1st = \$78,999 - 2nd = \$5,715 - 3rd = \$5,715							
no support provided for requested increase							

Proposed Budget

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Proposed Budget										
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		Actual		Actual		Anticipated		Budget		Proposed
77	Town Report	525	525	525	525	525	525	525	525	0.00%
78	Audit	23,700	23,650	23,650	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	0.00%
Total 014-000 - Board of Finance		25,631	27,048	27,048	25,224	25,274	25,274	25,274	25,274	0.00%
015-000 - Treasurer										
79	Salary	35,557	36,463	36,463	47,148	47,148	47,148	47,148	49,034	4.00%
80	Treasurer Clerk	9,374	15,693	15,693	21,113	21,113	21,113	21,113	21,961	4.02%
81	Social Security	3,323	4,003	4,003	5,222	5,222	5,222	5,222	5,431	4.00%
82	Supplies	1,265	1,687	1,687	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%
83	Postage	825	1,157	1,157	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00%
84	Mileage	-	-	-	150	150	150	150	150	0.00%
85	Computer Services	4,123	5,175	5,175	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	0.00%
86	Professional Devel./CPA	225	160	160	225	225	225	225	225	0.00%
Total 015-000 - Treasurer		54,691	64,339	64,339	78,858	78,858	78,858	78,858	81,801	3.73%
016-000 - Tax Assessor										
87	Salary - Assessor	36,851	40,026	40,026	47,172	47,172	47,172	47,172	49,059	4.00%
88	Assessor Assistants	16,680	9,592	9,592	15,000	15,000	15,000	24,073	24,766	2.88%
93	Social Security	4,077	3,796	3,796	4,756	4,756	4,756	5,450	7,576	39.00%
94	Supplies	601	2,815	2,815	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	0.00%
95	Postage	-	348	348	650	650	650	650	650	0.00%
96	Notices	101	69	69	110	110	110	110	110	0.00%
97	Mileage	162	89	89	300	300	300	300	300	0.00%
98	Data Processing	11,993	17,024	17,024	17,154	17,154	17,154	17,154	17,154	0.00%
99	Tax Mapping	850	680	680	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	0.00%
103	Dues	-	15	15	60	60	60	60	60	0.00%
104	Conferences	125	-	-	550	550	550	550	550	0.00%
Total 016-000 - Tax Assessor		71,439	74,452	74,452	88,252	98,019	98,019	127,929	30.51%	
017-000 - Tax Collector										
Compensation										
105	Salary	40,346	41,153	41,153	42,799	42,799	42,799	42,799	53,500	25.00%
106	Assistant	7,024	9,086	9,086	10,886	10,886	20,271	18,203	18,203	-10.20%
109	Social Security	3,642	3,843	3,843	4,107	4,107	4,824	5,485	5,485	13.71%
110	Supplies	1,537	1,798	1,798	1,200	1,200	2,000	2,200	2,200	10.00%
111	Postage	3,457	3,663	3,663	2,940	2,940	3,500	3,900	3,900	11.43%
112	Notices	473	485	485	370	370	500	500	500	0.00%
113	Mileage	-	200	200	-	-	200	200	200	0.00%
114	Data Processing	9,622	13,708	13,708	11,948	11,948	11,948	12,529	12,529	4.86%
115	Fees for Delinquents	-	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	0.00%
120	Dues	125	200	200	250	250	250	250	250	0.00%

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	FY 2020-2021		FY 2021 - 2022		FY 2022 - 2023		FY 2023 - 2024		% over current year budget
	Actual		Actual		Anticipated	Budget	Proposed		
121	145		1,277		1,500	2,000	2,600		30.00%
Conferences	66,370		75,664		76,250	88,542	99,617		12.51%
Total 017-000 - Tax Collector									
018-000 - Bd of Assmt Appeals									
122	-		-		-	1,500	1,560		4.02%
123	-		-		-	400	416		3.98%
124	-		-		-	146	151		3.55%
125	-		-		-	50	50		0.00%
126	-		-		-	75	75		0.00%
127	-		-		-	150	150		0.00%
130	-		-		-	150	150		0.00%
Conferences	-		-		-	2,471	2,552		3.29%
Total 018-000 - B A									
021-000 - Conservation									
131	53		211		330	330	330		0.00%
132	270		-		1,080	1,080	1,080		0.00%
133	210		268		920	920	920		0.00%
136	165		165		165	165	165		0.00%
Dues	698		644		2,495	2,495	2,495		0.00%
Total 021-000 - Conservation									
022-000 - Town Clerk									
137	57,120		58,262		60,592	60,592	66,136		9.15% no support provided for requested increase
138	12,959		16,471		18,312	22,023	22,906		4.01%
139	37,406		36,790		39,537	39,537	43,824		10.84%
140	3,998		4,078		4,241	4,241	4,629		9.16%
141	5,118		5,378		6,036	6,321	6,812		7.76%
142	363		1,726		400	400	400		0.00%
143	202		379		200	200	200		0.00%
144	-		608		300	300	300		0.00%
145	-		-		100	100	100		0.00%
146	10,230		14,098		12,000	12,000	12,000		0.00%
148	600		600		600	600	600		0.00%
151	20		170		170	170	170		0.00%
152	-		-		250	375	375		0.00%
Conferences	128,017		138,561		142,138	146,859	158,451		7.89%
Total 022-000 - Town Clerk									
024-000 - Planning and Zoning									
153	43,518		44,388		57,600	53,300	55,485		4.10% LUA requested 4.1% (COLA) increase
154	6,062		-		5,416	8,038	10,244		27.45%
156	16,697		16,260		25,000	18,947	20,906		10.34% 0.67%
157	3,055		3,107		4,032	3,731	4,601		23.32% rehire of vested EE, still qualifies for pension
158	3,660		3,268		4,821	4,693	5,028		7.14% benefits per plan documents
159	481		721		1,000	1,500	1,500		0.00%
Supplies									Insurance @ +18% and payroll @ +4%

no support provided for this increase

LUA requested 4.1% (COLA) increase

0.67%

rehire of vested EE, still qualifies for pension
benefits per plan documents

Insurance @ +18% and payroll @ +4%

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	FY 2020-2021		FY 2021 - 2022		FY 2022 - 2023		FY 2023 - 2024		% over current year budget
	Actual		Actual		Anticipated	Budget	Proposed		
160 Postage	222		276		300	400	400		0.00%
161 Notices	4,733		2,053		3,000	2,000	2,500		25.00%
162 Mileage	-		-		200	200	200		0.00%
163 Printing & Mapping	-		-		2,000	3,000	3,000		0.00%
165 Engineering	482		-		-	1,000	1,000		0.00%
166 Planning	-		-		1,000	3,000	3,000		0.00%
170 Dues	160		260		250	250	500		100.00%
171 Conferences	40		100		125	125	250		100.00%
172 Training	600		-		1,500	1,500	1,500		0.00%
Total 024-000 - Planning and Zoning	79,709		70,433		106,244	101,684	110,115		8.29%
025-000 - Zoning Bd of Appeals									
173 Clerk	191		-		500	1,252	1,303		4.04%
174 Social Security	-		-		38	96	100		3.80%
175 Supplies	50		569		-	100	100		0.00%
176 Postage	236		395		-	250	250		0.00%
177 Notices	142		483		-	400	750		87.50%
181 Dues	110		110		-	110	830		654.55%
Total 025-000 - Zoning Board Of Appeals	729		1,557		538	2,208	3,332		50.92%
026-000 - Inland/Wetlands									
182 Enforce. Officer	23,433		23,902		33,324	28,700	29,877		4.10%
183 Clerk	1,812		-		1,960	2,356	3,003		27.46%
184 Health	10,973		10,979		23,563	10,202	11,257		10.34%
185 Pension	1,645		1,673		2,333	2,009	2,302		14.56%
186 Social Security	1,844		1,760		2,549	2,376	2,515		5.86%
187 Supplies	263		632		400	600	600		0.00%
188 Postage	221		276		350	350	350		0.00%
189 Notices	1,011		508		1,000	750	1,000		33.33%
190 Mileage	-		-		100	200	200		0.00%
191 Printing & Mapping	-		-		-	150	150		0.00%
195 Conferences	50		-		-	150	300		100.00%
196 Training	65		40		-	300	600		100.00%
Total 026-000 - Inland / Wetlands	41,316		39,769		65,579	48,143	52,154		8.33%
027-000 - Bldg. Official									
197 Secretary	6,971		-		4,800	9,012	12,285		36.32%
198 Social Security	566		-		367	690	878		27.29%
199 Supplies	555		633		300	300	300		0.00%
200 Postage	221		276		300	400	400		0.00%
201 State Education Fund	7,675		7,282		13,862	6,000	6,000		0.00%
202 Dues	225		145		145	175	175		0.00%

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	Actual	Actual	Anticipated	Proposed	
Total 027-000 - Building Official	16,213	8,336	19,774	20,038	20.88%
030-000 - Town Hall					
Supplies	3,093	1,264	3,000	3,000	50.00%
Computer Services	39,513	37,585	40,000	50,000	25.00%
Electric	13,421	12,122	14,156	15,000	25.00%
Heating Fuel	3,917	6,958	8,591	6,000	20.00%
Internet	4,460	5,018	7,605	10,000	0.00%
Water/Sewer	1,165	923	1,021	1,200	0.00%
Maintenance	5,646	6,388	6,000	6,000	0.00%
Building Supplies	2,505	3,221	2,680	5,000	25.00%
Repairs	1,881	18,931	35,000	10,000	0.00%
Telephone	11,348	12,833	14,585	18,000	20.00%
Equipment	10,186	5,772	8,705	12,500	0.00%
Custodian	12,420	16,755	10,800	15,000	25.00%
Pension Administration	1,000	1,000	1,975	1,500	0.00%
Total 030-000 - Town Hall	110,555	128,769	154,117	153,200	16.77%
051-000 - Attorney Fees					
Legal Counsel	6,314	7,167	8,857	10,000	0.00%
Litigation	67,303	12,637	30,290	35,000	0.00%
Legal - P&Z	1,058	3,330	585	10,000	0.00%
Legal - ZBA	-	-	-	750	0.00%
Legal - IWC	-	-	-	6,000	0.00%
Total 051-000 - Attorney Fees	74,674	23,134	39,732	61,750	0.00%
060-000 - Grants					
NW Conservation District, Inc	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Kent Community Nursery School	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0.00%
Susan B Anthony	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Women's Support Services	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Youth Service Bureau	-	7,000	7,000	10,000	42.86%
Kent Library Association	110,000	125,000	125,000	135,000	8.00%
KVFD - Fire Protection	86,500	106,000	106,000	126,500	19.34%
Cemetery Association	37,000	37,000	37,000	44,000	18.92%
NWC Chore Service	5,000	5,000	5,000	7,500	50.00%
NWCT Regional Housing Council	200	-	100	100	0.00%
Greenwoods	5,000	5,000	6,000	6,000	0.00%
Literacy Volunteers	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,500	50.00%
KVHE/Templeton Farms	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.00%
Total 060-000 - Grants	268,700	308,500	311,100	354,600	13.98%

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Increased costs was the support statement

50.00% 21 Kent residents / 10K in ARPA funding provided

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070-000 - Associations

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	Actual	Actual	Anticipated	Budget	Proposed
234 Rural Transit	1,096	1,096	1,096	1,096	1,096
235 NW Council of Govt's	2,578	2,222	2,411	2,222	2,222
236 Hours River Comm	-	400	400	400	400
237 CT Conf Mun	2,074	2,074	2,075	2,100	2,100
238 COST (Council of Small Towns)	975	975	975	975	975
239 Lake Waramaug Inter. Com	1,953	1,953	2,000	2,000	2,000
240 Lake Waramaug Auth	2,066	12,264	2,400	2,400	2,400
241 Paramedic	40,892	39,731	76,498	76,499	135,380
242 LH-NW Elderly Nutrition Prgm	879	548	863	863	198
243 Housatonic Valley Assoc	-	250	1,500	1,500	1,500
Total 070-000 - Associations	52,514	61,513	90,218	90,055	148,270

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

244 INSURANCE	94,494	92,489	110,000	112,168	500
246 CONTINGENCY	-	-	-	10,000	10,000

028-000 - Fire Marshal

247 Fire Marshal	21,875	26,884	21,662	27,250	25,204
248 Clerical	37	159	-	600	-
249 Fire Inspections	306	286	1,420	3,000	3,000
250 Deputy Fire Marshal	-	1,450	2,500	100	5,200
251 Social Security	1,730	2,262	1,957	2,085	2,326
252 Supplies	71	480	1,274	400	1,800
253 Postage	-	-	-	55	55
254 Mileage	2,181	2,539	2,250	2,873	2,950
255 Telephone	354	390	356	460	-
256 Training	437	948	750	1,350	1,350
Total 028-000 Fire Marshal	26,992	35,397	32,169	38,173	41,885

Police Protection

257 Police Protection	175,146	195,430	200,000	200,800	200,800
258 EMS Staffing	39,207	130,156	230,000	230,000	230,000
259 LITCHFIELD CNTY DISPATCH	31,554	31,797	35,263	35,263	35,263
260 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	4,808	7,826	10,000	10,000	14,000

031-000 - Town Garage BLDG

261 Supplies	14	491	100	100	100
262 Postage	-	-	-	10	10
263 Telephone	600	600	600	600	600
264 Electricity	7,304	7,883	7,752	7,500	10,000
265 Heating Fuel	4,089	7,800	5,722	4,500	6,500
266 Water	552	436	494	500	500

combined with supplies
Fire Marshal reduced hrs, Deputy to work 4 hrs wk
at \$25 not to exceed 208 hrs a year

computer code program, and clerical fees

LEOP = \$5,500 - training = \$1,000 - Communication
Upgrades = \$3,500 - CERT (equip, recruitment, new
member training) = \$2,000 - Deployment = \$2,000

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	Actual		Actual		Anticipated	Budget	Proposed		
287 Maintenance	4,606		2,164		5,418	3,700	4,000		8.11%
288 Building Supplies	89		288		360	500	500		0.00%
289 Repairs	-		2,145		1,028	4,500	4,500		0.00%
Total 031-000 - Town Garage Building	17,255		21,807		20,874	21,910	26,710		21.91%
040-000 - Highway Department									
270 Foreman Salary	96,250		98,175		102,102	102,102	106,186		4.00%
271 Staff Salaries	341,915		352,483		395,762	410,324	420,631		2.51%
272 Snow Removal Salaries	45,957		61,060		25,088	58,133	59,594		2.51%
273 Health	120,014		114,056		109,694	156,111	128,438		-17.73%
274 Pension	42,473		48,415		35,742	53,698	57,727		7.50%
275 Social Security	41,147		40,983		40,006	45,543	47,754		4.86%
276 HI OPT-OUT Stipend	29,187		28,956		42,000	30,000	45,000		50.00%
278 Alcohol & Drug Test Program	500		709		600	500	600		20.00%
279 Equipment Repair & Maintenance	72,035		106,077		64,216	70,000	70,000		0.00%
280 Equipment Fuel	25,455		45,580		56,778	35,000	45,000		28.57%
281 Hired Equipment	5,713		14,931		18,582	15,000	15,000		0.00%
282 New Equipment	917		10,854		4,104	4,000	4,000		0.00%
283 Snow Related Equipment	5,733		4,013		5,000	6,000	6,000		0.00%
284 Public Works	-		22,500		3,500	3,500	5,000		42.86%
285 Uniforms	4,761		4,087		4,104	4,500	4,500		0.00%
286 Tools	-		1,022		1,000	1,000	1,000		0.00%
287 Dues	52		50		100	100	100		0.00%
288 Conferences	-		440		450	500	500		0.00%
289 Road Supplies	8,958		7,306		5,000	5,000	5,000		0.00%
290 Materials	365		3,287		20,000	20,000	20,000		0.00%
291 Salt/Sand	106,340		140,580		99,450	140,000	140,000		0.00%
292 Stone	-		11,859		15,000	15,000	15,000		0.00%
293 Oil	-		60,000		70,000	70,000	70,000		0.00%
294 Sweeping	10,760		14,945		25,000	25,000	25,000		0.00%
295 Drainage	-		5,880		8,000	8,000	8,000		0.00%
296 Bridges	21,452		-		10,000	10,000	10,000		0.00%
297 Unimproved Roads	-		15,623		15,000	15,000	15,000		0.00%
298 Town Roads - Asphalt	85,517		39,187		150,000	160,000	160,000		0.00%
Total 040-000 - Highway Department	1,065,500		1,253,059		1,326,278	1,464,011	1,485,030		1.44%
299 Town Aid Road	285,000		291,531		292,151	292,151	292,151		0.00%
300 Lighting - Town Utility	6,388		8,124		6,844	9,000	12,000		33.33%
301 Water - Town Utility	38,430		36,902		38,170	39,000	39,000		0.00%
302 Tree Work	19,830		16,160		28,800	30,100	32,000		6.31%
Total C - PUBLIC WORKS	1,432,403		1,627,583		1,713,117	1,856,172	1,886,891		1.65%

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three employees taking opt-out stipend

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029-000 - Social Services

303	Administrator	43,951	42,212	50,415	50,415	52,436	4.01%
304	Assistant	12,974	3,519	11,922	14,188	14,756	
305	Health Insurance	-	8,645	39,537	39,537	43,824	10.84%
306	Social Security	4,356	3,237	4,769	4,360	5,222	19.76%
307	Supplies	899	826	800	800	800	0.00%
308	Postage	1,650	-	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.00%
309	Mileage	27	216	500	500	600	20.00%
310	Assistance	10,076	9,694	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.00%
311	Telephone	-	150	600	600	600	0.00%
312	Senior Center Program	-	521	1,000	1,000	6,000	500.00%
313	Dues	-	-	250	250	500	100.00%
	Total 029-000 - Social Services	69,578	69,019	116,124	123,350	136,438	10.61%

full narrative submitted with request

033-000 - Senior Center

314	Electric	2,450	3,385	4,108	5,000	6,000	20.00%
315	Fuel/Propane	1,356	1,576	4,576	3,000	4,000	33.33%
316	Water/Sewer	181	155	172	225	500	122.22%
317	Maintenance	4,104	4,528	2,978	3,000	4,200	40.00%
318	Building Supplies	-	146	500	500	1,000	100.00%
319	Repairs	2,563	3,849	3,000	3,500	3,000	-14.29%
320	Custodian	2,340	2,280	2,480	2,500	2,500	0.00%
321	Rent	1,240	1,240	1,240	1,250	1,250	0.00%
	Total 033-000 - Senior Center	14,236	17,160	19,054	18,975	22,450	18.31%

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Welcome Center/Public Restrooms

322	Welcome Center/Public Restrooms	19,976	16,430	20,000	20,000	20,000	0.00%
323	Dir of Health/Hlt Dist.	15,262	15,218	16,517	16,517	16,352	-1.00%
		119,051	117,826	171,695	178,842	195,240	9.17%

E - RECREATION

324	Salary Director	59,233	32,954	61,200	61,200	63,648	4.00%
325	Hourly Employees	13,388	18,437	54,996	55,496	60,800	9.56% narrative explains a new FT position
326	Health	12,975	6,984	15,906	15,906	35,162	121.06% includes costs to cover new FT position
327	Pension	4,072	-	2,100	2,184	2,355	7.85%
328	Social Security	5,554	3,883	8,889	8,928	9,520	6.63%
329	Supplies	512	1,008	1,448	550	750	36.36%
330	Postage	385	-	200	400	200	-50.00%
331	Mileage	-	169	1,382	700	1,000	42.86%
332	Park Maintenance	7,188	14,901	48,000	48,000	25,000	-47.92%
333	Fee Programs	7,523	29,631	30,594	18,000	45,750	154.17% new programs and increased participation
334	Telephone	450	-	600	600	600	0.00% detail provided with request
335	Electric	487	575	804	900	1,080	20.00%

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	2020-2021	2021 - 2022	Actual	Anticipated	Budget	Proposed	
336 Water/Sewer	-	-	-	1,154	1,500	1,800	20.00%
337 Dues	105	105	105	110	105	120	14.29%
338 Conferences	-	-	-	-	550	550	0.00%
339 Training	-	250	250	-	100	250	150.00%
Total 023-000 - Park & Rec Department	111,872	108,897	108,897	227,383	215,119	248,585	15.56%
032-000 - Community House							
340 Postage	-	58	58	60	60	60	0.00%
341 Electricity	6,347	8,953	8,953	7,746	7,500	10,000	33.33%
342 Fuel/Propane	3,641	5,815	5,815	5,038	4,000	5,000	25.00%
343 Water/Sewer	1,147	1,265	1,265	1,320	1,500	1,500	0.00%
344 Maintenance	3,059	4,094	4,094	4,564	2,500	3,000	20.00%
345 Building Supplies	278	282	282	708	800	1,000	25.00%
346 Repairs	7,785	2,218	2,218	7,740	5,000	20,000	300.00%
347 Custodian	788	1,325	1,325	1,239	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Total 032-000 - Community House	23,044	24,011	24,011	28,415	23,360	42,560	82.19%
034-000 - Swift House							
348 Electric	679	766	766	948	1,000	1,200	20.00%
349 Heating Fuel	1,863	2,174	2,174	2,736	2,500	2,500	0.00%
350 Water/Sewer	231	219	219	334	300	400	33.33%
351 Maintenance	10,401	7,667	7,667	5,560	4,000	5,000	25.00%
352 Building Supplies	-	29	29	80	500	500	0.00%
353 Repairs	295	2,605	2,605	5,200	4,000	10,000	150.00%
354 Custodian	-	60	60	-	750	750	0.00%
Total 034-000 - Swift House	13,469	13,520	13,520	14,858	13,050	20,350	55.94%
355 KCS Ballfield Maintenance	13,890	5,327	5,327	28,000	20,000	30,000	50.00%
Total E - RECREATION	162,274	151,756	151,756	298,656	271,529	341,495	25.77%
043-000 - Transfer Station							
356 Salary, Wages and Pension	56,421	46,483	46,483	54,790	54,790	58,244	6.30%
357 Social Security	1,903	3,227	3,227	4,191	4,192	4,456	6.29%
358 Supplies	2,426	2,962	2,962	2,986	3,000	3,000	0.00%
359 Postage	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	0.00%
360 Electric	2,303	2,166	2,166	1,766	2,000	3,000	50.00%
361 Repairs	-	-	-	150	500	500	0.00%
362 Solid Waste Removal	43,959	38,452	38,452	45,332	40,000	45,000	12.50%
363 Bulky Waste Removal	7,499	6,882	6,882	9,994	10,000	12,000	20.00%
364 Container Rent & Tran	27,401	21,076	21,076	23,106	24,000	24,000	0.00%
365 Testing	-	60	60	120	500	500	0.00%
366 Tipping Fees	2,339	1,047	1,047	982	2,000	2,000	0.00%
367 Hazardous Materials	3,005	2,231	2,231	2,534	3,000	3,500	16.67%

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	Actual		Actual		Anticipated	Budget	Proposed		
368	800		875		800	950	1,000		5.26%
	148,055		125,460		146,751	145,932	158,200		8.41%
369	1,769		1,934		1,900	2,000	2,000		0.00%
370	940,015		1,018,750		3,810,223	3,810,223	3,810,223		0.00%
371	3,554,067		3,551,871		972,187	972,187	972,187		0.00%
372	2,582,661		2,429,063		2,459,300	2,459,300	2,459,300		0.00%
	7,076,743		6,999,684		7,241,710	7,241,710	7,241,710		0.00%
Total G - BOARD OF EDUCATION									
H - Debt Service									
080-000 - Interest									
373 KCS Improvements	8,663		-		-	-	-		
374 Maple Street Ext	26,203		25,790		25,790	25,790	25,790		0.00%
	34,866		25,790		25,790	25,790	25,790		0.00%
Total 080-000 - Interest									
081-000 - Principal									
375 KCS Improvements	385,000		-		-	-	-		
376 Maple Street Ext (exp 2054)	12,703		13,116		13,116	13,116	13,116		0.00%
	397,703		13,116		13,116	13,116	13,116		0.00%
Total 081-000 - Principal									
	432,569		38,906		38,906	38,906	38,906		0.00%
377	1,092,847		1,001,341		1,078,408	1,078,408	1,471,115		36.42%
378	7,500		7,500		7,500	7,500	7,500		0.00%
379	945,000		936,000		806,000	806,000	1,067,235		32.41%
380	-		30,000		30,000	30,000	30,000		0.00%
	13,025,903		12,804,214		13,641,846	13,776,199	14,788,430		7.35%
Net Revenue and Expense									
	46,431		451,632		(0)	0			

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FIVE YEAR TOTALS	PROPOSED FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PLAN						INFORMATIONAL USE				
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033
	BD OF EDUCATION										
	KCS Roof	266,000	50,000			393,202	393,202	393,202	393,202	393,202	393,202
	Sidewalk / Paving	136,235	136,235	136,235							
	Boilers				156,334	156,334	156,334	-			
1,430,575	BOE SUBTOTAL	402,235	186,235	136,235	156,334	549,536	549,536	393,202	393,202	393,202	393,202
	DPW										
	Bridges	-	196,883	183,117	300,000	650,000	850,000	600,000	-	100,000	100,000
	Buildings & Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	-	-
	Equipment	-	-	-	-	160,000	-	-	130,000	-	-
	Fleet	290,000	150,000	250,000	-	260,000	260,000	260,000	65,000	-	70,000
	Roads	-	511,883	433,117	250,000	-	-	-	600,000	-	-
3,635,000	DPW SUBTOTAL	290,000	858,766	866,234	550,000	1,070,000	1,110,000	860,000	845,000	100,000	170,000
	KVFD										
	Communications Upgrade	-		-	125,000	100,000					
	* Engine # 2					-	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	
	Rescue # 8	225,000		200,000	200,000	300,000					
1,150,000	KVFD SUBTOTAL	225,000	-	200,000	325,000	400,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	-
	Land Use										
	Zoning Regulations	-	-	-			15,000	30,000			
	POCD		-	-	-				45,000	5,000	-
0	LU SUBTOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	15,000	30,000	45,000	5,000	-
	PARK AND REC										
	Emery Park	100,000		-	25,000	25,000	35,000				
	Kent Commons (basketball)						100,000	-	-		
	Kent Commons (splash pad)	-	-	-	-	250,000					
	Kent Common (other)	-	20,000		25,000	25,000					
	Playing Fields and Ball Park	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Master Plan	-	-	-	25,000	-					
	Vehicle	-	-	-	-	-	35,000				
545,000	P & R SUBTOTAL	100,000	20,000	-	125,000	300,000	170,000	-	-	-	-
	REVALUATION										
	Reval	50,000	-	-		50,000	-		40,000		
100,000	REVAL SUBTOTAL	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	40,000	-	-
	Tn Buildings										
	* CH Exterior Paint/Repair							80,000			
	CH Flooring		-		-	150,000					
	* CH LL Flooring								50,000		
	CH Roof		50,000		-		-				
	CH Windows						150,000				
	Swift House			30,000		200,000	200,000	200,000			
	Tn Hall Roof	-		-	65,000	-	-	-	-		
	* Tn Hall Sidewalks	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	-	-	-	-
	Tn Hall Windows	-	-	-	-	-	150,000	-	-	-	-
495,000	TN BLDGS SUBTOTAL	-	50,000	30,000	65,000	350,000	600,000	280,000	50,000	-	-
5 YR TOTAL		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033
7,355,575	TTL CAPITAL	1,067,235	1,115,001	1,232,469	1,221,334	2,719,536	2,669,536	1,788,202	#####	723,202	563,202
	1/5TH OF ANNUAL CAPITA	213,447	223,000	246,494	244,267	543,907	533,907	357,640	319,640	144,640	112,640
	APPROPRIATION FY 2023-2024	1,471,115									
	APPROPRIATION FY 2024-2025		1,791,575								
	APPROPRIATION FY 2025-2026			1,926,215							
	APPROPRIATION FY 2026-2027				1,999,362						
	APPROPRIATION FY 2027-2028					1,899,736					
	APPROPRIATION FY 2028-2029						1,468,469				
	Modified and Approved by the BoS	2.1.23									
	Received by the BoF										
	Approved by P/Z				Approved by BoF						

Project Balance 1.19.23	DPW CAPITAL DETAIL (purple cells mark changes on additions)										
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033
60,000	Truck #1			increased \$5k 11.14.19							70,000
100,000	Truck #2			increased \$15K 11.30.22							
	Truck #3	increased \$30K on 1.7.22					260,000	increased 55k 11.30.22			
	Truck #4	increased \$5K 12.1.22	150,000	increased \$5k 11.14.19				increased 55k 11.30.22			
240,000	Truck #5	increased \$20K 12.6.22		increased 35K 1.7.22							
5,539	Truck #6			increased 10K 11.30.22					65,000		
	Truck #8					260,000					
	Truck #9	290,000						increased 55k 11.30.22			
	Truck #12			250,000							
	Truck #7 w/ Sander & Plow						260,000				
405,539	TOTAL DPW FLEET	290,000	150,000	250,000	-	260,000	260,000	260,000	65,000	-	70,000
40,000	Compactor										
15,000	Zero Turn Mower			was in FY '27, moved out by BoS 2.3.22							
35,000	Kubota			increased \$20K 11.30.22							
35,000	Salt Brine Maker								increased 5K 11.30.22		
4,779	Mower										
6,738	Payloader										
	Tractor w/ boom mower	split in 1/2 per BoF in April 2020				140,000					
	Roadside mower / tractor							130,000			
	Buffalo Blower					20,000					
136,517	TOTAL DPW EQUIPMENT	-	-	-	-	160,000	-	-	130,000	-	-
	Anderson Road (rebuild)	166,883		183,117	split in 1/2 per BoF in April 2020	-					
	Botsford Road	345,000									
	Geer Mtn Road	moved out one year per BoS meeting 3.11.19		original request was \$500,000 in FY '26				600,000			
				BoS split in 1/2 on 9/2							
	Spooner Hill Road			250,000	250,000		original request was \$500,000 in FY '26				
200,000	Studio Hill						BoS split in 1/2 on 9/2				
200,000	TOTAL ROADS	-	511,883	433,117	250,000	-	-	-	600,000	-	-
255,111	Bulls Bridge / Fuller Mtn										
	Bridge #2 & #3 (rehab)	Was 400,000 in FY '27							100,000		
	Bridge #7 & #11 (rehab)	moved into FY '25 11.14.19									100,000
	Bridge #5	split in 1/2 per BoF in April 2020			200,000	200,000					
	Bridge #9 (Fuller Mtn)					300,000					
112,672	Bridge #16 (Anderson Acres)		166,883	183,117							
	Bridge #17						200,000	200,000			
-1,054	Bridge #18 (Kent Hollow)	Was 400,000 in FY '27									
	Bridge #05519 (Macedonia)	moved into FY '25 11.14.19									
	Bridge #22 (Geer Mtn)	split in 1/2 per BoF in April 2020			100,000	150,000	150,000				
	Covered Bridge (paint/repairs)							400,000			
	Covered Bridge Barrier		30,000				500,000				
5,804	Tanguay				was \$250K in FY '25, moved out 11.14.19						
372,533	TOTAL BRIDGES	-	196,883	183,117		00	850,000	600,000	-	100,000	100,000
	Salt Shed Cover								50,000		
24,000	Tn Garage Doors										
70,000	Tn Garage Parking Lot										
200,000	Tn Garage Siding										
25,000	Town Hall Oil Tank Removal										
319,000	TTL BUILDINGS and SITE IMPROVEMENTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	-	-
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033
1,433,589	Total DPW	290,000	858,766	866,234	550,000	1,070,000	1,110,000	860,000	845,000	100,000	170,000
	1/5TH OF ANNUAL CAPITA	58,000	171,753	173,247	110,000	214,000	222,000	172,000	169,000	20,000	34,000
	APPROPRIATION FY 2023-2024	727,000									
	APPROPRIATION FY 2043-2025		891,000								
	APPROPRIATION FY 2025-2026			891,247							
	APPROPRIATION FY 2026-2027				887,000						
	APPROPRIATION FY 2027-2028					797,000					
	APPROPRIATION FY 2028-2029						617,000				
	Modified by BoS	2.1.23									

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Kent Board of Selectmen
P.O. Box# 678
Kent, Connecticut

Re: Request to add a 2nd. Resident Trooper

First Selectman Jean Speck, Selectmen Rufus De Rahm, & Glenn Sanchez

Fifty years ago, I served as the Resident State Trooper in Kent. Today we still have one Resident Trooper. The Resident Trooper handles most of the criminal investigations in Kent. Even though Troopers from Troop L in Litchfield respond to the accidents and other matters in town when Trooper Fisher is off, the information is passed onto to him. Trooper Fisher has been the Resident Trooper in Kent for ten years and his performance has been excellent. It is time to reduce his work load. You may observed Trooper Fisher parked in town and wondered why he is there so much. He is transmitting his reports to the barracks from his vehicle as his presence is important because when residents observe him, stop, and discuss a variety of issues. When I was Resident Trooper, I was required to type my investigative reports at my office. The Resident Trooper investigates many cases that sometimes do not result in arrests, and are time consuming. I can attest to that. When a major crime occurs such as a Homicide the Western District Major Crime Division of that State Police responds and Trooper Fisher is there to provide valuable information.

Myself and Scott Harvey, also a Retired Sergeant of the State Police are requesting that the Board of Selectman add funding for a 2nd Resident Trooper to the 23/24 fiscal year budget proposal.

Respectfully,



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