

**TOWN OF COLEBROOK**  
**Board of Finance**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, February 27, 2025**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**Town Hall Meeting Room**

BOF Members Present:

Duncan Wilber  
Mark Masslon

Kathleen Q. Adams  
Thomas D. McKeon

Scott T. Norton  
Charles Huften

Others Present:

First Selectman Bradley Bremer  
Sean Barry

Selectman A.J. Ruwet  
Bill Jasmin

Karen Odell

1. The Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.
2. First Selectman Bradley Bremer presented the Board of Selectmen 2025-26 Proposed Budget and answered individual line-item questions from board members. The overall budget picture presented a flat budget with zero percent change. Budget subcategory changes within the overall flat budget included:
  - a. General Government budget request decrease of -5.4%.
  - b. Public Safety budget request increase of 5.9%.
  - c. Highway budget request increase of 0.9%.
  - d. Town Hall Expenditures budget request increase of 3.2%.
  - e. Community Senior Center budget request increase of 6.1%.
  - f. Health budget request increase of 26.9%.
  - g. Miscellaneous budget request increase of 4.2%.
  - h. Refuse/Recycle budget request increase of 6.6%.
3. Chairman Wilber distributed the 2025-26 Budget Worksheet with known data current as of February 27, 2025. The board reviewed the grand list and revenue assumptions.
4. Using the 2025-26 Budget Worksheet, the board discussed the mill rate outlook and potential issues including the upcoming Region 7 Budget. Chairman Wilber provided a Regional School District No. 7 Revenues handout that indicates an increase of 8.21%, or \$183,333, in Colebrook's Region 7 assessment. (Increase from the 2024-25 Assessment of \$2,234,303 to the 2025-26 Estimated Assessment of \$2,417,636.)
5. The Board of Finance Regular Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2025, were reviewed. K. Adams made a motion, seconded by T. McKeon, "*Motion to approve the February 20, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes.*" Motion passed unanimously.
6. Motion was made by M. Masslon, seconded by K. Adams, to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott T. Norton  
Secretary, Board of Finance