



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:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6165843896?pwd=STduU2JzTmpiVmE1MXZSaWZWLzVadz09>

Meeting ID: 616 584 3896 | Passcode: 5243524

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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.

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

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64 **3. PLAN NEXT BUDGET MEETING AGENDA**

65 A. November 20, 2025

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

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70 **4. ADJOURN**

71 Motion to adjourn at 7:39pm

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

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

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76 **(Town Clerk’s Office, Georgia Public Library, Maplefields & Georgia Market), and e-mailed to**

77 **the local media. Meeting videos are posted on the Town of Georgia website.**

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79 **Signed: Stacy Katon, Town Administrator**

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