

**TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD**  
**SPECIAL VIRTUAL ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING**  
**VIA ZOOM**  
**Tuesday, April 20, 2021**

The Annual Budget Meeting of the Town of New Hartford was held virtually via ZOOM on Tuesday April 20, 2021. First Selectman Dan Jerram called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. He outlined the process for those in attendance to request the opportunity to speak.

First Selectman Jerram asked Mrs. Hayward to share the screen and show the Notice of Annual Budget Meeting. First Selectman Jerram read the Call of the Meeting and the Return of Posting and Publication.

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING – APRIL 20, 2021**  
**NOTICE OF REFERENDUM – MAY 4, 2021**

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of New Hartford, CT hereby notifies all electors and citizens entitled to vote in Town Meetings in said Town of New Hartford, Connecticut that the Annual Budget Meeting will be held VIRTUALLY via ZOOM on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM for the following purposes:

1. To consider and act upon the Town Budget recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021.
2. Pursuant to Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, to adjourn said budget meeting at its conclusion and to submit Item number 1 on the call of this meeting to be voted upon using voting tabulators on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Electors residing in the Voting District #1 shall vote at the New Hartford Town Hall, 530 Main Street in New Hartford. Electors residing in the Voting District #2 shall vote at the South End Fire House, 20 Antolini Road in New Hartford. Voters qualified to vote at town meeting who are not electors shall vote at their respective polling places. Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk, 530 Main Street, New Hartford, CT and will be counted at Town Hall. The question to be voted upon shall be placed on the ballots as: "Shall the Budget of the Town of New Hartford including General Government, New Hartford Board of Education and Capital Expenditures, recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, be accepted?" Voters approving the question will vote "Yes" and those opposing the question will vote "No."

Dated at New Hartford, CT this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.

Daniel V. Jerram, First Selectman  
Laura DiFelice Garay, Selectman

Alesia Kennerson, Selectman  
Deborah M. Ventre, Town Clerk

**RETURN OF POSTING AND PUBLICATION  
OF NOTICE OF ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING**

I, Daniel V. Jerram, First Selectman of the Town of New Hartford, Connecticut, hereby certify that I caused a copy of the foregoing Notice of the Annual Budget Meeting/Notice of Referendum to be posted on the Town signpost on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 and also published in the Hartford Courant a newspaper published in Hartford, Connecticut and having a general circulation in the Town of New Hartford, on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.

Daniel V. Jerram, First Selectman

First Selectman Jerram read Item#1

**ITEM # 1: TO CONSIDER AND ACT UPON THE TOWN BUDGET RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021.**

First Selectman Jerram indicated that this meeting is merely a procedural step in the process to take the budget to vote at referendum. All action and input has been taken previously at the Budget Hearing and various meetings of the Board of Finance, Board of Selectmen and Board of Education during the process. He noted that Regina Wexler, Chair of the Board of Finance and Penny Miller representing the Board of Education as well as all members of the Board of Selectmen were present to address any questions.

Aulay Carlson indicated that he had sent a letter to the Board of Finance thinking that tonight's meeting was a Board of Finance meeting. He asked and was permitted to read his letter to the Board of Finance (Attachment 1) Mr. Jerram expressed appreciation to Mr. Carlson for participating and sharing his letter although he noted that he disagreed with many of the points he made.

Penny Miller questioned if changes to the budget made by the Board of Finance reduced the tax increase. Mr. Jerram indicated that the increase is 1.09%.

Hearing no other comments or questions, First Selectman Jerram expressed appreciation to the Board of Finance, Board of Education and everyone who came together virtually to complete this process. He then requested a motion to adjourn this meeting to referendum on **Tuesday, May 4, 2021** between the hours of 6:00 am and 8:00 pm at the usual polling places using **machine vote** to vote on the following question:

“Shall the Budget of the Town of New Hartford including General Government, New Hartford Board of Education and Capital Expenditures, recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021 be accepted?”

Voters approving the question will vote “Yes” and those opposing the question will vote “No.”

Motion Penny Miller, Second Alesia Kennerson to adjourn to Referendum

*Unanimously approved by show of hands.*

Meeting adjourned to referendum at 7:18 PM.

A True Copy

Attest: Deborah M. Ventre, Town Clerk