



Proposed Budget
Bennington

For the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024

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Thomas James	Selectman	
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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for	Appropriations	Proposed Appropriations for period	
			period ending	for period ending	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
			12/31/2023	12/31/2023	ending 12/31/2024	
General Government						
4130	Executive	02	\$167,627	\$179,905	\$196,366	\$0
4140	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	02	\$39,885	\$54,078	\$57,228	\$0
4150	Financial Administration	02	\$36,401	\$44,652	\$44,836	\$0
4152	Property Assessment	02	\$6,774	\$9,590	\$9,590	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	02	\$6,854	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
4155	Personnel Administration	02	\$18,550	\$20,127	\$22,458	\$0
4191	Planning and Zoning	02	\$3,121	\$5,939	\$4,627	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	02	\$71,201	\$83,669	\$83,719	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	02	\$10,391	\$16,575	\$19,575	\$0
4196	Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	02	\$35,694	\$35,694	\$41,870	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4198	Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$396,498	\$456,229	\$486,269	\$0
Public Safety						
4210	Police	02	\$375,427	\$379,141	\$407,291	\$0
4215	Ambulances	02	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$0
4220	Fire	02	\$96,431	\$85,607	\$91,527	\$0
4240	Building Inspection	02	\$3,505	\$3,415	\$3,415	\$0
4290	Emergency Management	02	\$7,282	\$7,610	\$4,670	\$0
4299	Other Public Safety		\$11,747	\$6,000	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$519,392	\$506,773	\$536,903	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301	Airport Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4302	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4309	Other Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Highway Administration	02	\$246,181	\$232,692	\$294,543	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	02	\$151,857	\$157,500	\$157,500	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	02	\$5,314	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
4319	Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges		\$45,000	\$45,000	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$448,352	\$440,192	\$457,043	\$0
Sanitation						
4321	Sanitation Administration	02	\$38,701	\$33,353	\$50,707	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	02	\$1,908	\$1,602	\$1,650	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	02	\$70,451	\$66,700	\$69,700	\$0



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4325	Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up	02	\$6,305	\$4,800	\$5,500	\$0
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation	02	\$884	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$118,249	\$107,555	\$128,657	\$0

Water Distribution and Treatment

4331	Water Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338	Water Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4339	Other Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Electric

4351	Electric Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4352	Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Health

4411	Health Administration	02	\$102	\$102	\$102	\$0
4414	Pest Control	02	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals	02	\$5,876	\$5,845	\$5,876	\$0
4419	Other Health		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$6,178	\$6,147	\$6,178	\$0

Welfare

4441	Welfare Administration	02	\$1,535	\$12,896	\$4,896	\$0
4442	Direct Assistance	02	\$3,650	\$0	\$8,000	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	02	\$900	\$935	\$935	\$0
4445	Vendor Payments		\$2,258	\$0	\$0	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	02	\$0	\$14,500	\$3,300	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$8,343	\$28,331	\$17,131	\$0

Culture and Recreation

4520	Parks and Recreation	02	\$31,645	\$34,460	\$38,925	\$0
4550	Library	02	\$149,498	\$165,458	\$174,976	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	02	\$1,526	\$700	\$700	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	02	\$2,000	\$2,400	\$2,000	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$184,669	\$203,018	\$216,601	\$0

Conservation and Development

4611	Conservation Administration	02	\$861	\$981	\$823	\$0
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0



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4619	Other Conservation	02	\$2,046	\$1,133	\$1,633	\$0
4631	Redevelopment and Housing Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4632	Other Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651	Economic Development Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4652	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4659	Other Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$2,907	\$2,114	\$2,456	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$0
4790	Other Debt Service Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$420,000	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$0	\$420,000	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out						
4911	To Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4912	To Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Sewer Proprietary Fund	02	\$42,452	\$71,250	\$71,250	\$0
4914W	To Water Proprietary Fund	02	\$69,594	\$80,695	\$86,595	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$112,046	\$151,945	\$157,845	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$2,009,083	\$0



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Proposed Appropriations for period
 ending 12/31/2024

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	03 <i>Purpose: Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$30,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	04 <i>Purpose: Rescue Vehicle CRF</i>	\$2,500	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	05 <i>Purpose: Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$15,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	06 <i>Purpose: Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$40,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	07 <i>Purpose: Mower Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$2,500	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	09 <i>Purpose: Dodge Memorial Library Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$5,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	10 <i>Purpose: Road Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$15,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	11 <i>Purpose: Water Dept Maintenance/Repairs CRF</i>	\$25,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	12 <i>Purpose: Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$1,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	14 <i>Purpose: Fire Department SCBA Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$2,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	15 <i>Purpose: Fire Dept Protective Gear Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$6,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	16 <i>Purpose: Revaluation CRF</i>	\$12,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	19 <i>Purpose: Appropriate to CRF</i>	\$67,500	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trusts	08 <i>Purpose: Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund</i>	\$25,000	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trusts	13 <i>Purpose: Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund</i>	\$10,000	\$0
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$258,500	\$0



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 ending 12/31/2024

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4449	Other Welfare	27 <i>Purpose: Support for Local Shelter</i>	\$500	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	26 <i>Purpose: Support for American Red Cross</i>	\$700	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	21 <i>Purpose: To support Community Volunteer Transportation</i>	\$500	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	24 <i>Purpose: To support Child Advocacy Center</i>	\$1,100	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	23 <i>Purpose: To support the Court Appointed Special Advocate Pr</i>	\$600	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	28 <i>Purpose: Support for Cornucopia Project</i>	\$250	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	22 <i>Purpose: Support for the Grapevine & Avenue A</i>	\$6,000	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	20 <i>Purpose: To appropriate to Contoocook Housing Trust</i>	\$300	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	25 <i>Purpose: Support of End 68 Hours of Hunger</i>	\$1,000	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	17 <i>Purpose: Deferred Road Maintenance</i>	\$45,000	\$0
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$55,950	\$0



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Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund	02	\$0	\$5,161	\$2,000
3180	Resident Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Taxes	02	\$0	\$3,500	\$2,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	02	\$0	\$500	\$500
3187	Excavation Tax	02	\$0	\$1,019	\$600
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	02	\$0	\$14,061	\$22,000
	Taxes Subtotal		\$0	\$24,241	\$27,600
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	02	\$0	\$700	\$700
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	02	\$0	\$233,885	\$330,000
3230	Building Permits	02	\$0	\$1,400	\$4,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	02	\$0	\$6,000	\$6,000
	Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal		\$0	\$241,985	\$340,700
From Federal Government					
3311	Housing and Urban Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3312	Environmental Protection		\$0	\$0	\$0
3313	Federal Emergency		\$0	\$0	\$0
3314	Federal Drug Enforcement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3319	Other Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$0	\$3,169	\$0
	From Federal Government Subtotal		\$0	\$3,169	\$0
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues - Block Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	02	\$0	\$142,145	\$100,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	02	\$0	\$44,775	\$45,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Railroad Tax Distribution		\$0	\$5,940	\$0
3360	Water Filtration Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3361	Landfill Closure Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3369	Other Intergovernmental Revenue from State of NH		\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
	State Sources Subtotal		\$0	\$192,860	\$145,000
Charges for Services					
3401	Income from Departments	02	\$0	\$10,000	\$12,000
3402	Water Pollution Control Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0



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3403	Sewer User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3404	Garbage-Refuse Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3405	Electric User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3406	Airport Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$0	\$10,000	\$12,000

Miscellaneous Revenues

3500	Special Assessments		\$0	\$0	\$0
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	02, 19	\$0	\$33,510	\$77,500
3502	Interest on Investments	02	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500
3503	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
3504	Fines and Forfeits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
3508	Contributions and Donations		\$0	\$0	\$0
3509	Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified	02	\$0	\$12,000	\$9,470
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$0	\$48,010	\$89,470

Interfund Operating Transfers In

3911	From Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Sewer Proprietary Fund	02	\$0	\$71,250	\$71,250
3914W	From Water Proprietary Fund	02	\$0	\$80,695	\$80,695
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$420,000	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$0	\$571,945	\$151,945

Other Financing Sources

3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0

Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$0	\$1,092,210	\$766,715
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Item	Period ending 12/31/2024
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$2,009,083
Special Warrant Articles	\$258,500
Individual Warrant Articles	\$55,950
Total Appropriations	\$2,323,533
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$766,715
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$1,556,818