

**Town of Freedom  
Selectmen's Meeting  
Budget Workshop  
Monday, January 19, 2026**

Present: Selectmen Les Babb, Alan Fall, Gary Williams and Stacy Bolduc, Admin. Assistant, who recorded the minutes. This meeting was held at the Town Office. Babb called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Absent:

Also present: Rob Cunio, Rich Lafarrier, Ellen White

The budget lines were reviewed line by line. Adjustments that need to be made

- The Fire salary line needs to adjust to \$85,134
- The phones were discussed and they need to be adjusted. Stacy will look at them.
- The fire department bottom line will go up \$4,534.00. This includes adjustments to the phone, and the Fire Chiefs raise for a bottom-line budget of \$261,903.00

Police Budget-

- Jamie requested the part-time line be increased to \$52,400 since he presented his budget the first time.
- The full-time salary line is fine as presented.

Rob and Rich left the meeting.

Budget was reviewed from the beginning.

- Legal line 610- Increase the office legal line to \$55,000
- Increase the FICA line for salary increases.
- Zoning Officer salary increases to \$62,080.00
- Janitor line increase to \$11,340.00
- The highway summer-full time number should be \$135,240.
- Have Linda pull a report for line 4314-120 to make sure just the base salary is posted to this line.
- Sanitation salary needs to be adjusted to reflect raises

Warrant Articles-

- The sashes and the storm windows are one line for a warrant article total of \$64,000 to come from CRF
- Police Cruiser 30,000 is coming from CRF.
- Concrete for the MSW coming from CRF
- Forest Maintenance, FAC forester and trail repairs coming from LUCT
- Les needs a revenue report

Les made a motion to enter nonpublic at 9:35 pm, under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) hiring seconded by Alan; Roll call vote:

Babb-Yes

Fall- Yes

Willaims- Yes

Les made the motion to reconvene the public session, motion seconded by Alan; Motion carried.

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*The Board reconvened the public session at 9:50 pm  
Shall the minutes be publicly disclosed: No  
If no the following motion is required:*

*Motion made by Alan Secoded by Gary*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Pending litigation*

\_\_\_\_\_ *x* \_\_\_\_\_ *Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the board or*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Render the proposed action ineffective*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Pertain to terrorism.*

**Consent Agenda:**

Payroll Manifest – week ending – 1/14/2026

Approved

Accounts Payable Manifest – week ending 1/16/2026

Approved

Meeting Minutes 1/19/2025

Approved

**Correspondence:**

Being no further input, Babb made a motion to adjourn. Williams seconded. All in favor, the motion passed.  
Adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stacy Bolduc, Town Administrator

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on \_\_\_\_\_:

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Leslie R. Babb

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Alan G. Fall

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Gary R. Williams

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