



Portsmouth, RI

Joint Town Council & School Committee Meeting
January 25, 2021



FY20 Budget Drivers



Revenue

Expenditures

Capital

Technology



Revenue



Town

Car Tax Reduction:

- Decrease in number of taxable vehicles (up to 17%)
- Tax Levy could decrease up to \$570,000 (35%)
- Current State legislation provides for reimbursement

New housing and building construction:

- New housing construction is expected to level off but renovations, additions, and reconstruction are increasing.

Schools

State Aid:

- Implementation of state funding formula is complete
- Projected to lose approximately \$160K in state aid in FY22 - Property value/student funding ratio

Tuitions:

- Expected to decrease due to lower number of Little Compton students
- CTE numbers decreased due to COVID for the first time in FY21



Expenditures



Town

Salaries – Project salaries to grow between 2.0% - 2.5% (including raises, step movement and staffing changes).

Health – We project flat to small increase in premiums due to favorable utilization trends.

Retiree Health (OPEB) – Pay as you go expense projected to slightly increase as the number of future retirees increase.

Retirement – 9.7% increase in actuarially determined contribution (ARC payment) based on Segal Actuary Report.

Schools

Salaries – NEA teacher contract expires at the end of this year. Negotiations ongoing.

Health - Premiums expected to be flat to small increase due to favorable utilization trends.

Retirement – ERSRI pension contributions for teachers will increase from 14.50% of salary to 14.78% in FY22 (1.9% increase).

Transportation – Busing contract expires at the end of FY21 and will be rebid. Unknown impact on FY22 budget. Unfavorable Statewide transportation trends continue.

Facilities - Aramark contract expiring at the end of FY21.



Expenditures



Debt Service

Bond Debt Service for Town and School: \$2,170,304 (18.54% decrease)

Capital Lease Service for the Town: \$446,178



BOND DEBT SERVICE



Town of Portsmouth, Rhode Island General Obligation Debt Outstanding

Period Ending	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Debt Service
06/30/2020	2,009,000	** %	711,209.00	2,720,209.00
06/30/2021	2,019,000	** %	645,221.00	2,664,221.00
06/30/2022	1,584,000	** %	586,303.80	2,170,303.80
06/30/2023	1,474,000	** %	529,632.40	2,003,632.40
06/30/2024	1,364,000	** %	475,989.00	1,839,989.00
06/30/2025	1,294,000	** %	428,795.60	1,722,795.60
06/30/2026	1,050,000	** %	386,902.20	1,436,902.20
06/30/2027	875,000	** %	345,682.50	1,220,682.50
06/30/2028	895,000	** %	307,660.00	1,202,660.00
06/30/2029	810,000	3.000%	281,137.50	1,091,137.50
06/30/2030	830,000	** %	256,837.50	1,086,837.50
06/30/2031	850,000	** %	227,362.50	1,077,362.50
06/30/2032	875,000	** %	196,862.50	1,071,862.50
06/30/2033	895,000	** %	170,062.50	1,065,062.50
06/30/2034	920,000	** %	142,387.50	1,062,387.50
06/30/2035	945,000	** %	112,812.50	1,057,812.50
06/30/2036	970,000	** %	81,550.00	1,051,550.00
06/30/2037	775,000	3.375%	53,325.00	828,325.00
06/30/2038	805,000	3.375%	27,168.76	832,168.76
	21,239,000		5,966,901.76	27,205,901.76



Expenditures



Other

Labor Contracts:

- Town Police and DPW contracts signed in 2020/1
- PMEA and FIRE contracts expire June 30, 2022
- NEA teacher contract will expire in 2021

Continue Town/School Collaboration/Efficiencies:

- Shared outsourced facilities management resource (Aramark)
- Shared Technology Department
- SROs



Capital



Town

Administration

- Town Hall Display Board
- Flooring
- Furniture Replacement Program
- Basement Waterproofing
- A/V Upgrades
- Accounting Software
- Employee Training Equipment

DPW

- Road paving increase \$50,000
- Fleet improvement program
- Glen Stable Roof Repairs
- Glen Stable Cupolas
- Melville Dam Rehabilitation
- Glen Park Building Repairs
- Weaver Cove Boat Ramp
- Sandy Point Beach House

Fire

- Ambulance Replacement
- Marine 1 overhaul
- EMA upgrades

Police

- Fleet improvement program
- Tasers
- Police Variable Message Board

IT

- PC Replacement program
- Dispatching software and equipment
- DPW to Fire fiber

Recreation

- Mt. Hope Park Project
- 3S Fields

Planning

- Transfer Station Generators
- Large Format Printer Plotter

Town wide

- Facility Condition Assessment Priorities



Capital



Schools

School Facilities:

- Hathaway Elementary – 50,200 sf
- Melville Elementary – 44,800 sf
- Portsmouth Middle School – 157,800 sf
- Portsmouth High School – 193,500 sf
- Administration Building – 4,400 sf

FY22 Capital Projects:

- To be determined once Five Year Capital Plan is approved by RIDE
- School Department required by RI law to spend 3% of total school budget on facilities maintenance

New 5 Year Capital Plan:

- Submit Stage II in July 2021
- Receive State approval in September 2021
- Bond referendum in November 2021
- Projects
 - Health and safety items at all four schools
 - New HVAC system at both elementary schools
 - Renovated bathrooms at all schools



Technology



Town

- Year two of PC Replacement Program
- WEB Site Upgrade
- Live Streaming enhancements
- Dispatching software and equipment
- DPW to Fire fiber installation
- Shredder replacement

Schools

Intend to fund school technology equipment purchases with municipal lease as in past years:

- Network/Storage infrastructure replacement
- Laptop/Computer refresh
- Copiers replacement
- Continued 1:1 Student Device Rollout