

Annual Report

SAVOY, MASSACHUSETTS



FISCAL YEAR

2025

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FY2025 Select Board Report

This year has seen many changes, new faces, and long-term projects finally come to fruition. With the hiring of a new Town Accountant, Treasurer, resurrecting the dormant Capital Improvement Committee, and the tireless work of the Finance Committee Savoy is rapidly restoring fiscal budgeting soundness.

Below is a synopsis of the work done over the past fiscal year. The Select Board is dedicated to giving you, the residents of Savoy, our very best efforts. We will continue to provide strong leadership and representation for Savoy that we can all be proud of.

July 2024

- New Select Board Administrative Assistant is hired-Colleen Gibeau

August 2024

- Landfill officially closed by MassDEP
- VADAR software tax conversion for multiple town departments
- Funding for culvert replacement for Old Main #4 awarded

September 2024

- Two Community Compact Best Practice Grants were awarded-the Select Board approved Kathy Luczynski to oversee and manage both grants:
 1. Operations Assessment \$30,000:
 - Review and Update the Town Employee Handbook
 - Review and Update the Job Descriptions for Town Employees, Elected and Appointed Town Officials
 - Research the existence of Savoy Town Charter Bylaws as to the need for creation and/or revision
 2. Technology Plan \$20,000
 - Develop IT resilience, disaster recovery and contingency plans that position Savoy to effectively manage unforeseen events.
 - A multi-year plan that prioritizes a schedule of improvements

October 2024

- Rte 116 bridge closed for the winter-detour set up on Old Main Road #2
- Three-year contract signed with new Town Accountant Kelli Pontbriand

November 2024

- Capital Improvement Committee has been reinstated by Marie Saucier
 - The first meeting for representatives from designated town departments is on 11/14/2024
 - Committee creates the Capital Improvement Program for FY2026-2030

December 2024

- Joined Hilltown Community Development Corporation whose funding source is Community Development Block Grant. CDC is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for Hilltown residents in Western Massachusetts with housing rehabilitation, social services, and local economic development.

January 2025

- Savoy Board of Health online permitting system established through Berkshire Regional Planning Commission
- Spectrum is new internet provider at Town Offices
- Town treasurer resigned 1/31/2025-interview screening committee appointed to interview potential candidates
- Marie Saucier formed Safety Committee - first meeting 1/21/2025-All Town Departments to have a representative on the Committee.
Purpose of forming the Safety Committee:
 1. To work with all personnel sectors of the town to implement incentives provided by our insurer, thereby granting significant discounts on our premiums and enhancing the workplace safety for our employees
 2. Choose how annual grant awards would be best utilized and apply for said grant from the insurer (up to \$10,000 annually).

February 2025

- New town treasurer is hired-Ben Gelb
- Highway superintendent Todd Krutiak resigned
- Jon Choquette hired as Highway Superintendent

March 2025

- Savoy Municipal Power Aggregate is now a power supplier choice for residents

April 2025

- Culvert conundrum article written by Marie-How can \$1,000,000 not be enough?

May 2025

- Six Safety Committee Policies were signed by SB
- Rte. 116 Bridge reopens to one lane traffic after being closed for the winter.
- Black Brook Road Bridge is closed by Mass DOT. Deterioration and safety concerns sited, slated for repair and/or replacement in 2028.

June 2025

- ATM June 24th

Savoy's culvert funding conundrum

Or

How can \$1,000,000 not be enough?

Marie Saucier, Town of Savoy Select Board Member April 21, 2025

Living in Savoy is both a privilege and a challenge. Nestled in Northern Berkshire County, Massachusetts, this small-town spans 23,040 acres atop the Hoosac Mountain Range at an average elevation of 1,837 feet. Over half of the land—12,198 acres—is state-owned (2024 data), with significant conservation restrictions on private property. Savoy is home to several state forests and wildlife management areas, including Savoy Mountain State Forest, Savoy Wildlife Management Area, portions of the Mohawk Trail State Forest, Kenneth Dubuque Memorial State Forest, and Windsor State Forests. It also serves as the headwaters to brooks and rivers feeding into the nationally recognized Wild & Scenic Westfield River, Deerfield and Hoosic watersheds.

Despite its natural beauty, Savoy faces substantial financial struggles. With a population of roughly 650, the town operates on a modest 2024 budget of \$2.1 million—of which \$ 1.12 million funds the school system, leaving just \$976,000 for municipal services. Our aging population grapples with the challenge of staying in their homes, while younger generations continue to migrate elsewhere—a story familiar to many rural communities.

The town's efforts to comply with ever-changing regulations from state agencies and the legislature are a constant struggle. Operating with limited resources, Savoy relies on its volunteer Select Board members, who work tirelessly to keep the town running despite the absence of professional administrative staff.

This backdrop sets the stage for a surprising twist: the award of a \$1,000,000 MASS WORKS 2023 Grant to replace two stream crossing culverts on Chapel Road. While this might seem like a win for our community, it has led to a greater financial conundrum.

The grant was awarded under the Small-Town Road Assistance Program (STRAP) to replace crossings over the Chickley River and Tilton Brook. These waterways, designated as Critical Cold-Water Fisheries, have severe barriers for migratory fish—a passability score of zero and 0.01, respectively. The town applied for years before

securing the grant, and engineering documents for the crossings date back as far as 2005.

As of April 21, the town has withdrawn the Tilton Brook crossing from the grant and requested an extension to the June 30, 2025, deadline for completion. Permitting delays have slowed progress, with the engineering team working alongside the Savoy Conservation Commission, Mass DEP, and the Army Corps. Meanwhile, the projected cost for the Chickley River project has soared to \$1.395 million—far exceeding the grant's budget.

This leaves Savoy in a precarious position: how does a small town with an annual municipal budget of \$976,000 find an additional \$400,000? Despite outreach efforts to our legislative delegation and additional alternative grant programs—such as funding from the Department of Environmental Restoration—the challenges persist. Additional grants, such as the (DER) would require 100

compliance with stringent stream crossing standards, tight deadlines that do not line up with our newly projected timelines, and more quarterly reporting and reimbursement requests. With limited staffing, the burden of tracking, reporting, and reimbursement submissions falls heavily on volunteers, some of whom already contribute 20-40 hours a month.

Further complicating matters is the lack of bidders in these remote hill towns, making it unwise to open the project for bids without confirmed funding. Savoy's leadership hesitates to risk frustrating potential contractors by withdrawing the project after bids are submitted, which could harm future endeavors.

Exploring the Chicklet River provides additional context. Its headwaters originate deep within Savoy State Forest, flowing for miles through state, private, and town-owned lands. In fact, 69% of the river's length within Savoy lies on state land, while the town is responsible for just a fraction—a road crossing spanning 0.01 miles. The river then flows through Hawley and ultimately into the Deerfield River.

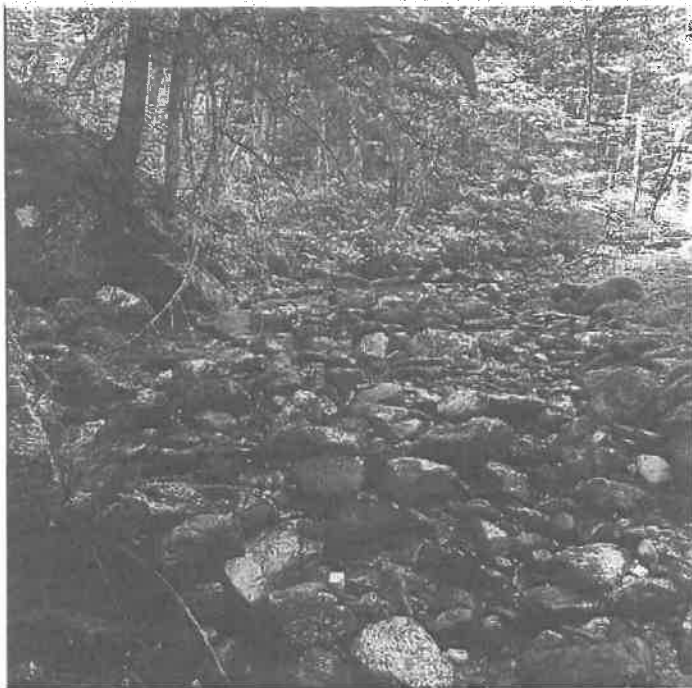
In fairness, the state does provide Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) funds annually. For 2024, this amounted to \$132,179—or approximately \$11 per acre. Alternatively, Savoy could consider using Chapter 90 funds to address the crossing but even combining Chapter 90 funds with the Fair Share apportionment, the total allocation of \$325,615 falls short of covering the project's projected costs. Meanwhile, residents grow increasingly concerned about the state of the town's roads.

This situation begs the question how do we abide by updated stream crossing standards and keep our citizens in their homes? With 54 stream crossings in Savoy, each potentially costing \$

1 million to replace, how can our town thrive—or even survive? And this is without addressing bridge issues.

At this point, there are no easy answers. Savoy risks losing the \$1 million grant altogether if no solutions are found. If anyone out there has suggestions—or funds to contribute—please direct them to the Town of Savoy with a note for the Chapel Road Project. As a community, we are trying our best, but we desperately need increased state funding to support rural areas like Savoy and many other small towns here in the Berkshires.

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Upstream view at Chapel Road Chickley River Crossing



View from the downstream side of the crossing.

Old Main Road 4 – Savoy MA

09-22-2025



The Wild and Scenic Westfield River Coalition Community Conservation and Stewardship Grant of \$6,300 was used to supplement the \$62,000 grant awarded by the Division of Ecological Restoration of Massachusetts. Together this funding paid for the design and engineering for a replacement to the failing culvert on Old Main Road #4 over Phelps Brook.

This culvert has been identified as a severe barrier for Aquatic Organism Passage. The north end of the culvert is rusted out, detached and partially crushed. There has been erosion and run off issues with cones often stuck in the road where the underlying dirt has washed away, which also makes it a bit unsafe for humans.

This is one of several priority stream crossing culvert projects in town. Due to the complexity of MA guidance and regulations on stream crossings these projects often can not be tackled with local tax dollars alone. So much thanks to both organizations for the financial assistance.

The next steps start with the permitting, which the Division of Ecological Restoration has stepped to the plate with and additional \$43,000 to help us make that happen in FYE 2026. This process is a long and involved one as discovered working through the Chickley

Brook/Chapel Road project and can often take more than one year. The additional complexity here, is the design is large enough to warrant the DOT Chapter 85 review, which was not necessary for the Chickley Brook/Chapel Road project.

This is followed by going out to bid and actual construction of the project. We are in the beginning stages of seeking funding for that, and if successful construction in FYE 2027. But permits are obtained for the maximum time allowed, which is I believe five years, in case the funding can not be obtained immediately.

Many thanks to all parties involved in this process, including our Department of Public Works and Berkshire Regional Planning who have been managing the grant for us as well as finding funding sources.

Submit: Marie Saucier

Savoy Select Board

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FY25 Road Maintenance Preformed

- Harrington Rd: Added millings on thin spots and drainage maintenance/cleaning**
- Haskins Rd #1: Drainage/cleaning and four 20ft plastic culvert pipes to replace rotten metal. Complete asphalt resurface with 9.5mm Binder 2in thick**
- Haskins Rd #2: Drainage/cleaning and gravel build up and resurface**
- Haskins Rd #3: Drainage/cleaning, two 20ft plastic culvert pipes to replace rotten metal and gravel resurfacing**
- Jackson Rd: Drainage/cleaning and resurfacing with millings/gravel**
- Griffen Hill Rd: Drainage/cleaning and gravel resurfacing**
- New State Rd: Drainage/cleaning and gravel resurfacing**
- Florida Rd: Gravel resurfacing**
- Bernet Rd: Gravel resurfacing**
- Harwood Rd: Drainage/cleaning and gravel in thin spots**
- Horton Rd: Millings resurfacing**
- Old Main Rd #4: Two 20ft plastic culverts**
- Bog Pond Rd: Millings resurfacing**
- Loop Rd: Drainage/cleaning, four 20ft culvert pipes to replace rotten metal and complete asphalt resurfacing with 9.5mm binder 2in thick. Driveway aprons**
- Bush Rd: Drainage/cleaning and millings resurfacing**

Tree trimming was done on:

Black Brook Rd

New State Rd

Loop Rd

Tannery Rd

Asphalt pothole repair was done on all paved roadways in the spring and the fall. Normal grass mowing duties were performed on all town property including the Savoy Elementary School, Town Hall, Fire Station, Town Park and 6 cemeteries. Roadside mowing takes place in between all other mowing duties.

Equipment repairs consisted of:

Repair of all snowplows

Painting of all snowplows and snow removal equipment

Fixing four wheel drive on the 1987 John Dear grader

Repairing old Fisher plow and upfit on New (to us) Ford F450

Repairs on 1987 Ford tractor and implements

General maintenance on all trucks and heavy equipment

New purchase of one chainsaw and grass trimmer and PPE

Employee Training:

Culvert replacement and stream water standards training

Chainsaw limbing and bucking safety certification

One new CDL driver school

Miscellaneous projects at the Transfer Station and Fire Station

FY27 Road Maintenance Plan

Complete reclamation and re-paving to the first 1.5mi of Center Rd

Drainage work on Center Rd.

Complete drainage work on Bush Rd.

Drainage work on Main Rd. (RT116)

Drainage work and add gravel on Bennett Rd.

Drainage work and add gravel on N. Florida Rd

Drainage work and add gravel on Hosford Rd.

Drainage work and add gravel on Adams Rd.

Phase #1 of Town Hall parking lot upgrades.

All asphalt roads will be receiving pothole repair in the spring (first week in April is normal opening for local asphalt plants) and again late summer early fall.

All unpaved roads will be graded and rolled in the spring (depending on mud season after an old fashion winter) and again in the fall.

Tree trimming and roadside mowing will be addressed in locations as needed.

Building Maintenance and Equipment Maintenance

We hope to have some time to spend giving our facility some long overdue attention. It has been years since any upgrades have been done to the Highway Department building or grounds. We plan to clean up and remove old, discarded construction debris from the past to make room for better organizing and efficient storage our equipment needs. Aside from a new garage door we replaced in 2025, we have been working (in between snowstorms) inside the shop/office making it a cleaner and safer work environment for our employees. When warm weather arrives, our hope is to give the Garage a fresh coat of paint for a much needed facelift.

Equipment Maintenance will be on going with cleaning and painting of equipment used for snow removal. We will also be looking into replacing our 1987 John Deer grader, and other small engine equipment that has reached its efficient working life expectancy. Also trying to upgrade one of the newer Freightliner trucks with a dump body as it will be better utilized through all seasons. (currently both Freightliner trucks are only set up for winter use only since purchase)

Safety and efficiency is our goal for FY27 and we look forward to making our small town a nice place for everyone to experience.

Thank you
Jon Choquette
Town Of Savoy
Highway Department.



Wild & Scenic Westfield River Committee Annual Town Report for 2025

This Committee seeks to assist the member towns to enhance their relationships with our river and all its remarkable, scenic, recreational, cultural, and ecological values.

Last year was a productive one for the Committee. With help from The Nature Conservancy, we added significant capacity to pursue our watershed goals by hiring a Project and Grants Coordinator. Ryan Noel is available now to assist towns in identifying and applying for grants for activities that will have a positive impact on the town and its river. He is also coordinating and supporting the implementation of the committee's projects. He meets with your town officials, local planning commissions, engineering firms, and state funding sources to further all our goals. Last year, he assisted the following towns in securing and managing funding: Becket, Chester, Chesterfield, Cummington, Huntington, Middlefield, Savoy, Washington, and Worthington. You can contact Ryan to inquire about funding opportunities for your town. As always, your town's representative on the Committee is also a great resource for you.

Our Outreach and Education Coordinator, Meredyth Babcock, and our summer interns (this year from UMass) created and deployed a Riparian Zone "Culvert Crawl" interactive playscape for children at several venues last year—maybe you learned more about how critters use culverts at its appearance at the Cummington Fair? It is available to your town or school. Meredyth also toured with Berkshire Environmental Action Team (BEAT) and Washington's new stream table to demonstrate how the river interacts with roads and infrastructure.

In the spring we began our initiative to educate residents about the perils of one of the invasive plants that is spreading in our watershed: barberry. Townspeople in the southern portion of the watershed received a brochure in the mail with details about how to identify and remove this plant, which has been linked to an increase in deer tick populations, and restricts native plant populations so essential for the health of our lands and waters. Meredyth Babcock and our interns offered several workshops and removed over 400 barberry plants from landowners' property and will continue to do so in 2026 as we focus more on the northern towns.

On May 1st, many Town Highway Superintendents attended the Division of Ecological Restoration (DER) culvert-replacement training in Middlefield. Ryan Noel encouraged towns to consider anti-icing for their town's winter maintenance, and the Town of Westfield Highway Department explained how they adopted anti-icing and how well it has

worked for them. To date, two of our member towns are moving forward with our assistance.

Community Grants awarded last year by the Committee include the following:

- Portable toilets for the 70th Wildwater Races and sponsored an educational lecture to the Westfield River Watershed Association (WRWA-lower watershed)
- Support for attendance at the Governor s Tourism Conference to the Chester Foundation
- Culvert replacement on Benton Hill Road to the Town of Chester
- Culvert replacement on the Old Main Road to the Town of Savoy
- Funds to create a map for an exhibition to the Chesterfield Historical Commission
- Wildlife and habitat education with shadow puppets to the R.H. Conwell School in Worthington
- Stream crossing signs for all 34 stream crossings in Worthington
- Kinnebrook culvert replacement funding to the Town of Chester and Trout Unlimited
- Historical Sign near the Chesterfield Gorge to the Chesterfield Historical Commission
- River trail renovation and invasive plant control to Chester/Middlefield School

Total expenditure for the year: \$210,000

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Melissa Vanek, Alternate Savoy Representative

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Meredyth Babcock, Outreach and Education Coordinator: westfieldriver@gmail.com

Our website: <https://westfieldriverwildscenic.org/>

Seventy-eight miles of the Westfield River and tributary streams received the federal designation of Wild & Scenic 30 years ago, in recognition of the outstanding natural resources, history, and free-flowing waters of the river. The Wild & Scenic Westfield River Committee was created to celebrate and advance activities to preserve, protect, and enhance the special qualities and outstanding natural resources of the Westfield River. The Committee has representatives from the ten Wild & Scenic communities of the watershed, plus partners including the National Park Service, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Westfield River Watershed Association, The Nature Conservancy, and Berkshire Regional Planning Commission. Considerable project funds are provided through the National Park Service s Partnership Wild & Scenic Rivers Program.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

BERKSHIRE SS

To either of the Constables, of the TOWN OF SAVOY, in the County of Berkshire, Greetings

IN THE NAME OF The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the FIRE HOUSE in the TOWN OF SAVOY on WEDNESDAY the FIRST day of OCTOBER 2025 at 6:00 O'clock in the evening, and then and there to act of the following articles:

Meeting opened at 6:03 pm with 36 voters in attendance.

ARTICLE #1: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$18,871.00 from Stabilization Account to cover the shortfall in the Alternative Transportation expenditures from FYE 2025.

Motion: Mrs. Boody

Second: Mrs. Saucier

Discussion: Why was this not on the original budget? Smith Vocational bussing. Not budgeted correctly. \$190/day for transportation. One student. Miscommunication about amount. Money already spent. Estimated based on what was thought. New accountant gave more accurate numbers. Purchasing a vehicle was not cost effective. Will talk to Windsor for next year to consolidate.

Opposed: Met 2/3 majority, motion carries

ARTICLE #2: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$44,823.18 from Stabilization Account to cover the shortfall in the Snow and Ice expenditures from FYE 2025.

Motion: Mrs. Boody

Second: Mr. Kaczowski

Discussion: How much is the stabilization account? As of 9/30/2025 it was \$468,295.93. Approximately the same budgeted as last year. Not increased in 10 years.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

ARTICLE #3: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$37,149.87 from Stabilization Account to cover the shortfall in the Prior Year Encumbrance from FYE 2025. (School related)

Motion: Mrs. Cooper

Second: Mrs. Saucier

Motion to amend to remove school related and read accounting clean up from previous years, mostly town related.

Motion: Mrs. Saucier

Second: Mrs. Cooper

Opposed: Motion to amend article unanimous and carries

Discussion: Explain where it's going. Accounting issues, now rectified with new accountant. Money legitimately spent, just not put in the right bucket. I have nothing to show exactly where it went. We don't know where it's going? Substantial amount of money to not show where it's going. Have another STM with breakdown? Bills were paid, but not out of correct budget. Bills were paid, but not on time, so went into free cash. Wound up with more money in free cash than expected. Money has already been spent, just making paperwork catch up. Are we budgeting bigger amounts for next year so we don't have to keep doing this? This accountant is on top of our finances now. She and the treasurer have done well by the town. Previously trying to budget on incomplete records. Didn't have complete books before. Information is available for public viewing using FOIA. Will have audit this fiscal year. First since 2014.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

ARTICLE #4: To see if the Town will approve the \$16,779,269 borrowing authorized by the Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District (the "District"), for the purpose of paying costs of the McCann Technical High School Accelerated Repair Program at 70 Hodges Cross Rd., North Adams, MA 01247, for school building roof repairs and exterior glass replacement, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of the School Building Committee. The MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District and its member municipalities. Any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) sixty-four percent (64%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA.

Details See Appendix A.

Motion: Mrs. Boody

Second: Mrs. Reinhardt

Discussion: Mr. James Brosnan, superintendent of Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District, gave information about the repairs needed for the school and how they hope it will be funded. The school is 65 years old and needs a new roof and new windows to keep it in good shape. We have been good stewards of the building to keep it in good shape. That is why the state is considering us for this project. Repair rather than rebuild. Appendix A and the supplement dated 9/30/2025 cover this information. Asking for a portion each year for 15 or 20 years. All towns involved need to approve for the project to go forward. District agreement says Savoy has 1.9% based on population of town. Locked into that amount for the life of the project. Project will last 2-3 years. Will be applying for grants. Asking state if students can help with the project as part of their studies. After much thought, state thinks it's a good idea. Nobody thought of it before. Flooding toilets are not an issue. Monitoring bathroom use

has alleviated the problem with students causing problems. If this gets voted down, Savoy students would go to Hoosac Valley. More of our students go to McCann than Hoosac Valley. Is there a way to fund this without raising our taxes? It will cost a lot less to just repair this building rather than build a new school. The state will pay 64% of the project. Appreciation of a good presentation. Susan Reinhardt is rep from Savoy.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

ARTICLE #5: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws to add a new provision authorizing the Town Clerk to make non-substantive clerical changes to bylaws enacted at Town Meeting as shown below and to authorize the Town Clerk to assign such numbering as is appropriate to bring said bylaw into conformance with the existing codification; or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

*X-X Non-substantive Editorial Revisions ONLY. Details see Appendix B.

The Town Clerk shall hereby be authorized to assign appropriate numbers to bylaw sections, subsections, paragraphs and subparagraphs, where none are approved by Town Meeting and if such are approved by Town Meeting, with the approval of the Select Board, to make non-substantive,

substantive, editorial revisions to correct scrivener's errors and to ensure consistent and appropriate sequencing and numbering, provided that such editorial revisions shall be identified by a footnote or other convention.

Motion: Mrs. Saucier

Second: Mrs. Luczynski

Discussion: To make the by-laws easier to read. Wasn't a group paid to reorganize the by-laws? They did it. Why is this necessary when reorganizing the by-laws? They needed reorganization. Why didn't they also number them? Why does the renumbering need to be voted on? State laws? Given a grant because they needed updating. Reorganized by looking at other towns. Consolidated information. Collins Center was used to reorganize the by-laws. Recommended bringing it to the town to vote. Get town's approval for format change.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

And you are directed to serve these warrants, by posting up attested copies of the same on the bulletin board at the Savoy Town Hall and on the notice board at the Savoy Transfer Station at least (7) SEVEN days before the time of holding the meeting. HEREOF, fail not and make do return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm: Mrs. Kunzmann

Given under our hands this 23rd Day of September in the year TWO-THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FIVE.



TOWN OF
Justin Kaczowski



Marie Saucier

SAVOY



Brenda Smith

SELECT BOARD

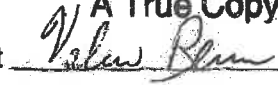
A True Copy. Attest:


Phil Reeves, Constable
BERKSHIRE SS

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Savoy by posting up attested copies of the same at (2) Two Public Places (7) SEVEN days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.


Phil Reeves

Constable of Savoy 9/24/25 date
posted

A True Copy
Attest 
Valerie Reiner, Savoy Town Clerk

APPENDIX A



Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District

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September 4, 2025

Mr. Justin Kaczowski
Chairperson
Savoy Board of Selectmen
720 Main Road
Savoy, Massachusetts 01256

Dear Mr. ~~Kaczowski~~,
Justin

I am pleased to report that the Board of the Massachusetts School Building Authority, MSBA, voted on August 27, 2025 to approve the proposed Accelerated Repair Project for a new roof, window and door replacement and related ADA compliance improvements for the McCann Technical School. We are proud of our facility maintenance activities over the past 30 years in updating our building and grounds with over \$20,000,000.00 of improvements while only asking your assistance to borrow \$1,200,000.00 in 1996 for a new roof and \$750,000.00 in 2010 for gymnasium and locker room renovations. Over this time we have updated our boilers and heating systems, installed new ventilation, improved parking lots and sidewalks, made athletic field improvements and upgraded our vocational education equipment, computers and software by judicious use of grants and budget funds, and through grant funding opened our new 3.3 million dollar HVAC building in 2024.

This project is designed to replace a leaking 28-year old roof, replace the 1961 single paned exterior glass and make our facility handicap accessible. The energy savings alone will be significant and also the safety of our students and staff will be enhanced with the glass replacement. We have an obligation to ensure that our building is fully accessible for all. It is for this purpose that we seek your support. This project will extend the life of the facility for another 50 years, save precious energy costs and create a safe and accessible learning environment.

The school committee at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 3, 2025 approved the authorization to incur debt of \$16,779,269.00 for the project. The MSBA has approved to pay 64% of the grant eligible costs leaving an estimated borrowing amount of \$7,409,281.00. While we recognize the impact of this project on your local budget we humbly seek your support to make these necessary repairs which will enable us to continue to offer the finest vocational programs in the Commonwealth to future generations of students. We have been good stewards of your facility and economically responsible for the past 64 years and your support will ensure our efforts can continue for another 64 years!

Our District Agreement determines the process and the percentage each community must contribute to capital expenditures. The approval of such is also governed by M.G.L. C. 71 §16(d). This statute stipulates now that you have been given notice of the debt authorization you have 60 days to take action to disapprove the borrowing at town meeting. If no action is taken the borrowing is deemed approved. All nine communities must approve the borrowing for the project to continue to the bid document phase, hopefully in late fall with construction scheduled for May through September, 2026. If you hold a town meeting in this matter the MSBA has specific vote language which we will provide to you. Please let us know if you will be proceeding to a town meeting.

We have included several documents for your information including a tentative 15-year borrowing schedule to help you understand your potential financial obligation. This estimated long-term borrowing schedule would be effective for FY28 as your FY27 financial obligation would be interest only. We have also provided those projected FY27 interest payments. I would like to schedule a visit with you to discuss our project and any procedural questions you may have. If your schedule permits I would welcome you to visit with me at McCann to tour the school and better acquaint you with the need for our project. Please email or call message me for the best time and location to meet. We have long appreciated your support of McCann and look forward to working with you on this latest endeavor.

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. BROSNAN

Superintendent

Sec. IV and Sec. IX District Agreement
Budget Table IV
School Committee Debt Authorization
Estimated Debt Schedule

From Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District School Committee

To Town of Savoy, Massachusetts

Notice of Authorization to Incur Debt

At a meeting duly noticed and held on September 3, 2025, for which a quorum was present, the Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District (the "District") voted to appropriate the amount of \$16,779,269 for the purpose of paying costs of the McCann Technical High School Accelerated Repair Program at 70 Hodges Cross Rd., North Adams, MA 01247, for school building roof repairs and exterior glass replacement, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of the School Building Committee. To meet this appropriation the District is authorized to borrow said amount, under and pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 16(d), of the General Laws and the District Agreement, as amended, or pursuant to any other enabling authority. The District acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District; provided further that any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA shall not exceed the lesser of (1) sixty-four percent (64%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA, and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the District and the MSBA.

This constitutes notice of the debt authorized above as required by M.G.L.c.71, §16(d) and Section IX of the District's Regional Agreement.

Please contact Superintendent James Brosnan with any questions.

Hand delivered September 5, 2025

Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District



By, James J. Brosnan
Its, Secretary

Received by Town of Savoy

SECTION IV

APPORTIONMENT AND PAYMENT OF COSTS INCURRED BY THE DISTRICT

Classification of Costs

For the purpose of apportioning assessments levied by the District against the member municipalities, costs shall be divided into three categories: capital costs, operating costs and transportation costs.

A. Capital Costs

Capital costs shall include all expenses in the nature of capital outlay such as the cost of acquiring land, the cost of constructing, reconstructing, and adding to buildings, and the cost of remodeling or making extraordinary repairs to a school building or buildings, including without limitation the cost of the original equipment and furnishings for such buildings or additions, plans, architects' and consultants' fees, grading and other costs incidental to placing school buildings and additions and related premises in operating condition. Capital costs shall also include payment of principal of and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the District to finance capital costs. Capital costs will include capital outlay appearing in the 7000 DESE functions codes.

1. Apportionment of Capital Costs

Capital costs incurred in connection with the construction, equipping and placing in operation of the initial district school building, including the payment of principal of and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations of the District issued to finance such capital costs, shall be apportioned on the basis of the member municipalities' equalized valuations and population, determined as to any member municipality by adding together the ratio which its equalized valuation bears to the total equalized valuations of all the member municipalities and the ratio which its population bears to the total population of all the member municipalities and dividing this sum by two. Equalized valuation as used in this clause (1) shall be the valuation of each member municipality as determined by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) and population as used in this clause (1) shall be the population of each member municipality according to the latest state census as determined by the DOR. The ratio for each particular borrowing shall not be changed during the period in which such bonds, notes or other obligations are outstanding except when a new town or towns are added to the district whereupon the capital cost will be recalculated consistent with this section (1). Also, the capital costs will be recalculated upon adoption and acceptance by the towns of Cheshire and Lanesborough.

2. Capital costs other than those apportioned pursuant to clause (1) of this subsection shall be apportioned consistent with Section B (1).

B. Operating Costs

Operating costs shall include all costs not included in capital costs as defined in Section IV (A), including but not limited to interest on temporary notes issued by the District in anticipation of revenue.

1. Assessment of Operating Costs

Operating costs will be assessed to each member municipality using the statutory method. For each fiscal year, the assessment of operating costs for each member municipality will be the sum of the following: (a) the member's required local contribution to the District (municipal minimum contribution) as determined by the Commissioner; (b) the member's share of that portion of the District's net school spending, as defined by M.G.L. c. 70, §2, that exceeds the total of the required local contributions for all members; and (c) the member's share of costs for transportation

and all other expenditures (exclusive of capital costs as defined under Section IV, B) that are not included in the District's net school spending. A member's share of (b) and (c) above will be calculated on the basis of foundation enrollment as defined in M.G.L. c. 70, § 2. The example of the calculation is contained in Appendix A.

C. Transportation Costs

Transportation costs shall be apportioned to the member municipalities as an operating cost on a per pupil basis minus regional transportation reimbursements (CH 71) received by the district.

D. Times of Payment of Apportioned Costs

| Assessment | | Transportation | | Capital Costs | |
|-------------|------|----------------|------|---------------|------|
| 1 August | 25% | 1 September- | 50% | 1 October- | 100% |
| 1 November- | 50% | 1 February- | 100% | | |
| 1 January- | 75% | | | | |
| 1 April- | 100% | | | | |

E. Application of State Grants

Any school construction grants received by the District from the Commonwealth under the Direction of the Massachusetts School Building Authority shall be applied only to the payment of capital costs as defined in Section IV (A) of this agreement.

SECTION IX

INCURRING OF DEBT

Within seven days after the date on which the Committee authorizes the incurring of debt, other than temporary debt in anticipation of revenue to be received from member towns, the said Committee shall cause written notice of the date of said authorization, the sum authorized, and the general purpose or purposes for authorizing such debt, to be given to the selectboard of each member town and to the city council of the city of North Adams, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 71, § 16 (d) as from time to time amended.

**Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District
Table IV**

Our District Agreement is as follows... "Capital costs incurred...shall be apportioned on the basis of the member municipalities' equalized valuations and population, determined as to any member municipality by adding together the ratio which its equalized valuation bears to the total equalized valuations of all the member municipalities and the ratio which its population bears to the total population of all the member municipalities and dividing this sum by two...

| <u>Municipality</u> | <u>Equalized Valuation</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>Population</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>Proportionate Cost</u> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|---------------------------|
| Adams | 789,861,000 | 16.42% | 7,995 | 21.53% | 18.97% |
| Cheshire | 447,945,500 | 9.31% | 3,195 | 8.60% | 8.96% |
| Clarksburg | 161,712,900 | 3.36% | 1,640 | 4.42% | 3.89% |
| Florida | 203,461,600 | 4.23% | 675 | 1.82% | 3.02% |
| Lanesborough | 604,416,400 | 12.57% | 3,007 | 8.10% | 10.33% |
| Monroe | 34,088,300 | .71% | 115 | 0.31% | 0.51% |
| North Adams | 1,043,247,700 | 21.69% | 12,483 | 33.61% | 27.65% |
| Savoy | 99,612,700 | 2.07% | 647 | 1.74% | 1.91% |
| Williamstown | <u>1,425,465,400</u> | 29.64% | <u>7,385</u> | 19.88% | 24.76% |
| | 4,809,811,500 | 100% | 37,142 | 100% | 100% |

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL RSD
 \$7,409,281 SCHOOL BONDS
 ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE
 15 YEARS

| DISTRICT DEBT SCHEDULE | | | | MUNICIPAL SHARE Based on FY26 Capital Apportionment | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---|--------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| REPAY YEAR | PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING | PRINCIPAL PAYMENT | ESTIMATED BOND INTEREST (3.75%) | TOTAL DEBT SERVICE | Adams 18.97% | Cheshire 8.96% | Clarksburg 3.89% | Florida 3.02% | Lanesborough 10.33% | Monroe 0.51% | North Adams 27.65% | Savoy 1.91% | Williamstown 24.76% |
| 0 | \$7,409,281 | | | \$0 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| FY28 | \$6,915,329 | \$493,952 | \$277,848 | \$771,800 | \$146,410 | \$69,153 | \$30,023 | \$23,308 | \$79,727 | \$3,936 | \$213,403 | \$14,741 | \$191,098 |
| FY29 | \$6,421,377 | \$493,952 | \$259,325 | \$753,277 | \$142,897 | \$67,494 | \$29,302 | \$22,749 | \$77,814 | \$3,842 | \$208,281 | \$14,388 | \$186,511 |
| FY30 | \$5,927,425 | \$493,952 | \$240,802 | \$734,754 | \$139,383 | \$65,834 | \$28,582 | \$22,190 | \$75,900 | \$3,747 | \$203,159 | \$14,034 | \$181,925 |
| FY31 | \$5,433,473 | \$493,952 | \$222,278 | \$716,230 | \$135,869 | \$64,174 | \$27,861 | \$21,630 | \$73,987 | \$3,653 | \$198,038 | \$13,680 | \$177,339 |
| FY32 | \$4,939,521 | \$493,952 | \$203,755 | \$697,707 | \$132,355 | \$62,515 | \$27,141 | \$21,071 | \$72,073 | \$3,558 | \$192,916 | \$13,326 | \$172,752 |
| FY33 | \$4,445,569 | \$493,952 | \$185,232 | \$679,184 | \$128,841 | \$60,855 | \$26,420 | \$20,511 | \$70,160 | \$3,464 | \$187,794 | \$12,972 | \$168,166 |
| FY34 | \$3,951,617 | \$493,952 | \$166,709 | \$660,661 | \$125,327 | \$59,195 | \$25,700 | \$19,952 | \$68,246 | \$3,369 | \$182,673 | \$12,619 | \$163,580 |
| FY35 | \$3,457,664 | \$493,952 | \$148,186 | \$642,138 | \$121,814 | \$57,536 | \$24,979 | \$19,393 | \$66,333 | \$3,275 | \$177,551 | \$12,265 | \$158,993 |
| FY36 | \$2,963,712 | \$493,952 | \$129,662 | \$623,614 | \$118,300 | \$55,876 | \$24,259 | \$18,833 | \$64,419 | \$3,180 | \$172,429 | \$11,911 | \$154,407 |
| FY37 | \$2,469,760 | \$493,952 | \$111,139 | \$605,091 | \$114,786 | \$54,216 | \$23,538 | \$18,274 | \$62,506 | \$3,086 | \$167,308 | \$11,557 | \$149,821 |
| FY38 | \$1,975,808 | \$493,952 | \$92,616 | \$586,568 | \$111,272 | \$52,557 | \$22,817 | \$17,714 | \$60,592 | \$2,991 | \$162,186 | \$11,203 | \$145,234 |
| FY39 | \$1,481,856 | \$493,952 | \$74,093 | \$568,045 | \$107,758 | \$50,897 | \$22,097 | \$17,155 | \$58,679 | \$2,897 | \$157,064 | \$10,850 | \$140,648 |
| FY40 | \$987,904 | \$493,952 | \$55,570 | \$549,522 | \$104,244 | \$49,237 | \$21,376 | \$16,596 | \$56,766 | \$2,803 | \$151,943 | \$10,496 | \$136,062 |
| FY41 | \$493,952 | \$493,952 | \$37,046 | \$530,998 | \$100,730 | \$47,577 | \$20,656 | \$16,036 | \$54,852 | \$2,708 | \$146,821 | \$10,142 | \$131,475 |
| FY42 | (80) | \$493,952 | \$18,523 | \$512,475 | \$97,217 | \$45,918 | \$19,935 | \$15,477 | \$52,939 | \$2,614 | \$141,699 | \$9,788 | \$126,889 |
| | | \$7,409,281 | 2,222,784 | \$9,632,065 | \$1,827,203 | \$863,033 | \$374,687 | \$290,888 | \$994,992 | \$49,124 | \$2,663,266 | \$183,972 | \$2,384,999 |

Total project costs = \$16,779,269
 District share (TPB Less MTFG) = \$7,409,281

TPB \$ 16,779,269.00
 MTFG \$ (9,369,988.00)
 \$ 7,409,281.00

Northern Berkshire Vocational RSD
 FY27 Interest Only
 Estimated Payments

| | | Based on FY26 Capital Apportionment | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|------------|---------|--------------|--------|-------------|-------|--------------|--|--|
| Short - Term Interest Only | Adams | Cheshire | Clarksburg | Florida | Lanesborough | Monroe | North Adams | Savoy | Williamstown | | |
| | 18.97% | 8.96% | 3.89% | 3.02% | 10.33% | 0.51% | 27.65% | 1.91% | 24.76% | | |
| FY27 \$ | 296,371 | 26,222 | 11,529 | 8,950 | 30,615 | 1,511 | 81,947 | 5,661 | 73,382 | | |

Total project costs = \$16,779,269
 District share (TPB Less MITFG) = \$7,409,281

FY27 Short term Interest only at 4% \$ 296,371.24



MSBA OKs McCann, Monument School Projects

Staff Reports

04:06PM / Wednesday, August 27, 2025

NORTH ADAMS, Mass. — Two high schools in Berkshire County were approved funding for projects by the Massachusetts School Building Authority board on Wednesday.

McCann Technical School has been approved for a \$17 million project to update the 63-year-old school's roof, windows and doors, and Monument Mountain Regional High School for a new \$152 million school.

Last year, McCann Tech was invited to participate in the MSBA's accelerated repair program to address its 30-year-old roof and original single-pane windows. The MSBA board voted for a maximum facilities grant of \$9,369,988 for the project.

The total cost is set at \$16,779,269.

The board voted in favor of \$46,042,376 total in accelerated repair grants for 10 schools, mostly for roof replacements, and \$98,175,900 for construction projects.

"The Accelerated Repair Program allows us to make critical repairs to more schools in less time," said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg, chair of the MSBA board. "By improving the learning environment for our children, the program also makes schools more energy efficient and generates significant cost savings."

The main goals of the program are to improve learning environments for children and teachers, reduce energy use, and generate cost savings for districts.

"The MSBA continues to partner with Massachusetts communities in the ongoing work of upgrading their public schools," Executive Director and Deputy CEO Mary Pichetti said. "These improvements to school facilities can only enhance students' ability to excel in the classroom."

MSBA approved a project scope of \$152,067,064 for a new Monument, with a reimbursement of \$59,983,492 and another \$1.6 million from Mass SAVE. The three towns that make up the Berkshire Hills Regional School District will vote on a debt exclusion for their \$89 million share of the project on Nov. 4.

"Upon completion, this project will provide a new 21st century learning environment for students in the Berkshire Hills Regional School District," Goldberg said. "Our goal is to create the best space to deliver the district's educational commitments and goals."

The proposed project would replace the existing high school with a new facility serving students in Grades 9-12. The district had identified in its Statement of Interest numerous deficiencies in the existing facility, including outdated mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems; issues with the building envelope, windows, and roof; and a lack of accessibility compliance. The Statement of Interest also noted that existing facility does not support the delivery of the district's educational program.

The new school would be three stories and 140,500 square feet to accommodate an enrollment of 485 students. It will be built to the west of the existing school, which would be demolished when the new one opens.

Great Barrington, Stockbridge, and West Stockbridge have twice rejected projects for the 1968 school, including a \$51 million renovation of Monument in 2014. The district has been trying to get a renovation/construction project off the ground since 2010.

The board also approved \$789,107,687 in preferred schematic design plans for two high schools — Martha's Vineyard and Salem.

McCann Tech gets state funding commitment for 64 percent of proposed roof and window replacements

By Greg Sukienik, The Berkshire Eagle Aug 31, 2025 ■ 2 min to read



The Massachusetts School Building Authority has approved funding 64 percent of \$16.7 million in proposed improvements at McCann Tech, including replacing its roof and aged single-pane windows.

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Several doors would also be replaced as part of the project to bring the building into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, Brosnan said.

"An entire wall of a corridor [at McCann] is glass frame. You can see rotting at the bottom ... we have leakage at the bottom and leaks in the roof. All of that is damaging the infrastructure and equipment we have," Brosnan said.

Thanks to leaks in the roof, moisture has gotten into the building's insulation, further diminishing its energy efficiency.

The next step will come when the regional district's school committee meets Wednesday at McCann Tech and considers formally authorizing the project. After that, the district will turn to its member communities — Adams, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Florida, Lanesborough, Monroe, North Adams, Savoy and Williamstown — to approve borrowing.

Brosnan said the district's bylaws lay out what percentage each community would be expected to pay to fund the project. For the work to move forward, each and every one of those nine communities must approve.



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That said, according to Brosnan, 24 of the last 26 accelerated repair projects approved by the School Building Authority have come in under budget. "So we're optimistic as we plan out and go forward" that the repairs will come in under budget, he said.

McCann's recent requests for borrowing have been few and far between, Brosnan noted. Most recently, the district's voters supported a \$1.2 million bond for a roof replacement in 1996, and borrowing \$750,000 in 2010 to update the school gymnasium.



In 2024, the district unveiled a new HVAC learning building at McCann Technical School in North Adams.

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The district built its brand-new, first-in-the-county heating, ventilation and cooling classroom building and lab for \$3.1 million last year. The project was funded with state dollars and the district furnished the new building on its own.

"We've done the same thing expanding parking and renovating the facility's HVAC systems," he added.



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September 30, 2025

Mr. Justin Kaczowski
Chairperson
Savoy Board of Selectmen
720 Main Road
Savoy, Massachusetts 01256

Dear Mr. Kaczowski,

Consistent with my letter of September 4, 2025 outlining our MSBA Accelerated Repair Project for a new roof, window and door replacement and related ADA compliance improvements for the McCann Technical School I have revised the required incurring of debt for our nine member communities.

The school committee at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 3, 2025 approved the authorization to incur debt of \$16,779,269.00 for the project. The MSBA has approved to pay 64% of the grant eligible costs. The MSBA has notified us that they have increased the eligible costs leaving an estimated borrowing amount of \$6,867,977.00. A reduction of \$541,304.00 from the original debt amount of \$7,409,281.00. After consultation with our financial advisor, UniBank, we have projected interest rates of 3.5% for 15 years and 3.80% for 20 years.

We have included a tentative 15 year and 20 year borrowing schedule to help you understand your potential financial obligation. This estimated long-term borrowing schedule would be effective for FY28 as your FY27 financial obligation would be interest only. We have not determined the length of the borrowing as interest rates and other variables including the potential for a lower borrowing amount, will affect the financial impact. We will include you in these future discussions.

We have long appreciated your support of McCann and look forward to working with you on this vital project.

Very truly yours,


JAMES J. BROSNAN
Superintendent

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL RSD
 \$6,867,977 SCHOOL BONDS
 ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE
 15 YEARS

| REPAY YEAR | PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING | PRINCIPAL PAYMENT | ESTIMATED BOND INTEREST (3.5%) | TOTAL DEBT SERVICE | MUNICIPAL SHARE Based on FY26 Capital Appraisalment | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|----------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| | | | | | Adams 18.97% | Cheshire 9.96% | Clarksburg 3.89% | Florida 3.02% | Lancaster 10.33% | Monroe 0.51% | North Adams 27.65% | Savoy 1.91% | Williamstown 24.76% | | | | | |
| 0 | \$6,867,977 | | \$0 | \$0 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| FY28 | \$6,410,112 | \$457,865.13 | \$240,379 | \$698,244 | \$132,457 | \$62,563 | \$27,162 | \$21,067 | \$72,129 | \$3,561 | \$193,065 | \$13,336 | \$172,885 | \$13,336 | \$193,065 | \$13,336 | \$172,885 | \$13,336 |
| FY29 | \$5,952,247 | \$457,865.13 | \$224,354 | \$682,219 | \$129,417 | \$61,127 | \$26,338 | \$20,603 | \$70,473 | \$3,479 | \$188,634 | \$13,030 | \$168,917 | \$13,030 | \$188,634 | \$13,030 | \$168,917 | \$13,030 |
| FY30 | \$5,494,382 | \$457,865.13 | \$208,329 | \$666,194 | \$126,377 | \$59,691 | \$25,915 | \$19,119 | \$68,818 | \$3,398 | \$184,203 | \$12,724 | \$164,950 | \$12,724 | \$184,203 | \$12,724 | \$164,950 | \$12,724 |
| FY31 | \$5,036,516 | \$457,865.13 | \$192,303 | \$650,168 | \$123,337 | \$58,255 | \$25,292 | \$18,633 | \$67,162 | \$3,316 | \$179,772 | \$12,418 | \$160,982 | \$12,418 | \$179,772 | \$12,418 | \$160,982 | \$12,418 |
| FY32 | \$4,578,651 | \$457,865.13 | \$176,278 | \$634,143 | \$120,297 | \$56,819 | \$24,668 | \$19,131 | \$65,507 | \$3,234 | \$175,341 | \$12,112 | \$157,014 | \$12,112 | \$175,341 | \$12,112 | \$157,014 | \$12,112 |
| FY33 | \$4,120,786 | \$457,865.13 | \$160,253 | \$618,118 | \$117,257 | \$55,383 | \$24,045 | \$18,667 | \$63,852 | \$3,152 | \$170,910 | \$11,806 | \$155,046 | \$11,806 | \$170,910 | \$11,806 | \$155,046 | \$11,806 |
| FY34 | \$3,662,921 | \$457,865.13 | \$144,228 | \$602,093 | \$114,217 | \$53,948 | \$23,421 | \$18,183 | \$62,196 | \$3,071 | \$166,479 | \$11,500 | \$149,078 | \$11,500 | \$166,479 | \$11,500 | \$149,078 | \$11,500 |
| FY35 | \$3,205,056 | \$457,865.13 | \$128,202 | \$586,067 | \$111,177 | \$52,512 | \$22,798 | \$17,699 | \$60,541 | \$2,989 | \$162,048 | \$11,194 | \$145,110 | \$11,194 | \$162,048 | \$11,194 | \$145,110 | \$11,194 |
| FY36 | \$2,747,191 | \$457,865.13 | \$112,177 | \$570,042 | \$108,137 | \$51,076 | \$22,175 | \$17,215 | \$58,885 | \$2,907 | \$157,617 | \$10,888 | \$141,142 | \$10,888 | \$157,617 | \$10,888 | \$141,142 | \$10,888 |
| FY37 | \$2,289,326 | \$457,865.13 | \$96,152 | \$554,017 | \$105,097 | \$49,640 | \$21,551 | \$16,731 | \$57,230 | \$2,825 | \$153,186 | \$10,582 | \$137,175 | \$10,582 | \$153,186 | \$10,582 | \$137,175 | \$10,582 |
| FY38 | \$1,831,461 | \$457,865.13 | \$80,126 | \$537,992 | \$102,057 | \$48,204 | \$20,928 | \$16,247 | \$55,575 | \$2,744 | \$148,755 | \$10,276 | \$133,207 | \$10,276 | \$148,755 | \$10,276 | \$133,207 | \$10,276 |
| FY39 | \$1,373,595 | \$457,865.13 | \$64,101 | \$521,966 | \$99,017 | \$46,768 | \$20,304 | \$15,763 | \$53,919 | \$2,662 | \$144,324 | \$9,970 | \$129,239 | \$9,970 | \$144,324 | \$9,970 | \$129,239 | \$9,970 |
| FY40 | \$915,730 | \$457,865.13 | \$48,076 | \$505,941 | \$95,977 | \$45,332 | \$19,681 | \$15,279 | \$52,264 | \$2,580 | \$139,893 | \$9,663 | \$125,271 | \$9,663 | \$139,893 | \$9,663 | \$125,271 | \$9,663 |
| FY41 | \$457,865.13 | \$457,865.13 | \$32,051 | \$489,916 | \$92,937 | \$43,896 | \$18,058 | \$14,795 | \$50,608 | \$2,499 | \$135,462 | \$9,357 | \$121,503 | \$9,357 | \$135,462 | \$9,357 | \$121,503 | \$9,357 |
| FY42 | \$0 | \$457,865.13 | \$16,025 | \$473,890 | \$89,897 | \$42,461 | \$18,434 | \$14,311 | \$48,953 | \$2,417 | \$131,031 | \$9,051 | \$117,333 | \$9,051 | \$131,031 | \$9,051 | \$117,333 | \$9,051 |
| | | | 1,973,834 | \$8,791,811 | \$1,557,655 | \$787,675 | \$341,978 | \$265,489 | \$980,111 | \$46,334 | \$3,439,714 | \$167,508 | \$2,176,654 | \$167,508 | \$3,439,714 | \$167,508 | \$2,176,654 | \$167,508 |

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NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL RSD
\$4,867,977 SCHOOL BONDS
ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE
20 YEARS

| REPAY YEAR | PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING | PRINCIPAL PAYMENT | ESTIMATED BOND INTEREST (0.5%) | TOTAL DEBT SERVICE | MUNICIPAL SHARE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | | | | | Adams 18.97% | Cheshire 8.96% | Clatsburg 3.89% | Florida 3.82% | Lanesborough 10.33% | Mearse 0.51% | North Adams 27.65% | Savoy 1.91% | Williamstown 24.76% | | | | | | |
| 0 | \$ 6,867,977 | | | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| FY28 | \$6,524,578 | \$343,398.85 | \$260,983 | \$664,381.98 | \$114,651.26 | \$54,153 | \$23,510 | \$18,252 | \$62,433 | \$3,082 | \$3,082 | \$167,112 | \$11,544 | \$62,433 | \$3,082 | \$167,112 | \$11,544 | \$62,433 | \$3,082 |
| FY29 | \$6,181,179 | \$343,398.85 | \$247,934 | \$591,332.82 | \$112,175.84 | \$52,983 | \$23,003 | \$17,898 | \$61,085 | \$3,016 | \$3,016 | \$163,504 | \$11,294 | \$61,085 | \$3,016 | \$163,504 | \$11,294 | \$61,085 | \$3,016 |
| FY30 | \$5,837,780 | \$343,398.85 | \$234,885 | \$578,283.66 | \$109,700.41 | \$51,814 | \$22,495 | \$17,464 | \$59,737 | \$2,949 | \$2,949 | \$159,895 | \$11,045 | \$59,737 | \$2,949 | \$159,895 | \$11,045 | \$59,737 | \$2,949 |
| FY31 | \$5,494,382 | \$343,398.85 | \$221,836 | \$565,234.51 | \$107,220.99 | \$50,645 | \$21,988 | \$17,070 | \$58,389 | \$2,883 | \$2,883 | \$156,287 | \$10,796 | \$58,389 | \$2,883 | \$156,287 | \$10,796 | \$58,389 | \$2,883 |
| FY32 | \$5,150,983 | \$343,398.85 | \$208,787 | \$552,185.35 | \$104,749.56 | \$49,476 | \$21,480 | \$16,676 | \$57,041 | \$2,816 | \$2,816 | \$152,679 | \$10,547 | \$57,041 | \$2,816 | \$152,679 | \$10,547 | \$57,041 | \$2,816 |
| FY33 | \$4,807,584 | \$343,398.85 | \$195,737 | \$539,136.19 | \$102,274.14 | \$48,307 | \$20,972 | \$16,282 | \$55,693 | \$2,750 | \$2,750 | \$149,071 | \$10,298 | \$55,693 | \$2,750 | \$149,071 | \$10,298 | \$55,693 | \$2,750 |
| FY34 | \$4,464,185 | \$343,398.85 | \$182,688 | \$526,087.04 | \$99,798.71 | \$47,137 | \$20,465 | \$15,888 | \$54,345 | \$2,683 | \$2,683 | \$145,463 | \$10,048 | \$54,345 | \$2,683 | \$145,463 | \$10,048 | \$54,345 | \$2,683 |
| FY35 | \$4,120,786 | \$343,398.85 | \$169,639 | \$513,037.88 | \$97,323.29 | \$45,968 | \$19,957 | \$15,494 | \$52,997 | \$2,616 | \$2,616 | \$141,855 | \$9,799 | \$52,997 | \$2,616 | \$141,855 | \$9,799 | \$52,997 | \$2,616 |
| FY36 | \$3,777,387 | \$343,398.85 | \$156,590 | \$499,988.73 | \$94,847.86 | \$44,799 | \$19,450 | \$15,100 | \$51,649 | \$2,550 | \$2,550 | \$138,247 | \$9,550 | \$51,649 | \$2,550 | \$138,247 | \$9,550 | \$51,649 | \$2,550 |
| FY37 | \$3,433,989 | \$343,398.85 | \$143,541 | \$486,939.57 | \$92,372.44 | \$43,630 | \$18,942 | \$14,706 | \$50,301 | \$2,483 | \$2,483 | \$134,639 | \$9,301 | \$50,301 | \$2,483 | \$134,639 | \$9,301 | \$50,301 | \$2,483 |
| FY38 | \$3,090,590 | \$343,398.85 | \$130,492 | \$473,890.41 | \$89,897.01 | \$42,461 | \$18,434 | \$14,311 | \$48,933 | \$2,417 | \$2,417 | \$131,031 | \$9,051 | \$48,933 | \$2,417 | \$131,031 | \$9,051 | \$48,933 | \$2,417 |
| FY39 | \$2,747,191 | \$343,398.85 | \$117,442 | \$460,841.26 | \$87,421.59 | \$41,291 | \$17,927 | \$13,917 | \$47,605 | \$2,350 | \$2,350 | \$127,423 | \$8,802 | \$47,605 | \$2,350 | \$127,423 | \$8,802 | \$47,605 | \$2,350 |
| FY40 | \$2,403,792 | \$343,398.85 | \$104,393 | \$447,792.10 | \$84,946.16 | \$40,122 | \$17,419 | \$13,523 | \$46,257 | \$2,284 | \$2,284 | \$123,815 | \$8,553 | \$46,257 | \$2,284 | \$123,815 | \$8,553 | \$46,257 | \$2,284 |
| FY41 | \$2,060,393 | \$343,398.85 | \$91,344 | \$434,742.94 | \$82,470.74 | \$38,953 | \$16,912 | \$13,129 | \$44,909 | \$2,217 | \$2,217 | \$120,206 | \$8,304 | \$44,909 | \$2,217 | \$120,206 | \$8,304 | \$44,909 | \$2,217 |
| FY42 | \$1,716,994 | \$343,398.85 | \$78,295 | \$421,693.79 | \$79,993.31 | \$37,784 | \$16,404 | \$12,735 | \$43,561 | \$2,151 | \$2,151 | \$116,598 | \$8,054 | \$43,561 | \$2,151 | \$116,598 | \$8,054 | \$43,561 | \$2,151 |
| FY43 | \$1,373,595 | \$343,398.85 | \$65,246 | \$408,644.63 | \$77,519.89 | \$36,615 | \$15,896 | \$12,341 | \$42,213 | \$2,084 | \$2,084 | \$112,990 | \$7,805 | \$42,213 | \$2,084 | \$112,990 | \$7,805 | \$42,213 | \$2,084 |
| FY44 | \$1,030,197 | \$343,398.85 | \$52,197 | \$395,595.48 | \$75,044.46 | \$35,445 | \$15,389 | \$11,947 | \$40,865 | \$2,018 | \$2,018 | \$109,382 | \$7,556 | \$40,865 | \$2,018 | \$109,382 | \$7,556 | \$40,865 | \$2,018 |
| FY45 | \$686,798 | \$343,398.85 | \$39,147 | \$382,546.32 | \$72,569.04 | \$34,276 | \$14,881 | \$11,553 | \$39,517 | \$1,951 | \$1,951 | \$105,774 | \$7,307 | \$39,517 | \$1,951 | \$105,774 | \$7,307 | \$39,517 | \$1,951 |
| FY46 | \$343,399 | \$343,398.85 | \$26,098 | \$369,497.16 | \$70,093.61 | \$33,107 | \$14,373 | \$11,159 | \$38,169 | \$1,884 | \$1,884 | \$102,166 | \$7,057 | \$38,169 | \$1,884 | \$102,166 | \$7,057 | \$38,169 | \$1,884 |
| FY47 | \$0 | \$343,398.85 | \$13,049 | \$156,448.01 | \$67,618.19 | \$11,938 | \$13,566 | \$10,765 | \$36,821 | \$1,818 | \$1,818 | \$98,538 | \$6,808 | \$36,821 | \$1,818 | \$98,538 | \$6,808 | \$36,821 | \$1,818 |
| | | \$4,867,977 | \$2,740,313 | \$9,408,306 | \$1,822,594 | \$860,904 | \$373,763 | \$290,171 | \$972,537 | \$49,082 | \$49,082 | \$2,656,695 | \$183,319 | \$972,537 | \$49,082 | \$2,656,695 | \$183,319 | \$972,537 | \$49,082 |

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APPENDIX B

TOWN OF SAVOY

TOWN BY-LAWS

I. TOWN MEETINGS:

Sec.1. The Annual Town meeting shall be held on the first Monday, in February of each year. (Amended 1954, 1959, 1974 and 2006)

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Sec.2. The polls shall be opened at 6 A.M. and shall remain open until 2:30P.M. (Amended 1975)

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Sec.3. All warrants for town meetings, whether annual or special, shall be served by posting up attested copies of the same in at least two public places in the town not less than seven days before such meeting.

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Sec.4. At Annual Meeting, twenty-five legal voters shall be necessary to constitute a quorum, provided that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. At special meetings, ten legal voters shall be necessary to constitute a quorum, provided that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same.

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Sec.5. When articles requiring an appropriation of money are presented in the warrant for a town meeting, said articles must contain the request for the appropriation.

Commented [AC5]: Kept - 23, iii

(The above by-laws were adopted at the Annual Town Meeting on February 7, 1949 and approved by Attorney General Francis E. Kelly on June 3, 1949)

II. SELECTMEN:

Sec.1. The Selectmen shall have general direction and management of the property of the town and in all matters affecting the interest or welfare of the town, except as otherwise provided by law or by the by-laws.

Sec.2. The Selectmen may appear either personally or by counsel before any committee of the General Court, any court or board or commission to protect the interests of the town but are not authorized by this by-law to commit the town to any course of actions.

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Sec.3. The selectmen shall act as town agents and shall have authority as agents and authorities of the town to employ a town counsel for the town and the various offices and boards thereof.

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Sec.4. The selectmen shall have charge and management of suits and actions for and against the town, except such suits as are within the scope and duties of the Tax Collector, and may prosecute, defend, or settle the same as they see fit, unless otherwise directed by vote of the town.

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(The above by-laws were adopted at the Annual Town Meeting on February 7, 1949 and approved by Attorney General Francis E. Kelly on June 3, 1949)

III. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

*Sec.1. The Selectmen may license suitable persons to be collectors of, dealers in or keepers of shop for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metal or second hand articles, and no such person shall be a dealer in or keeper of a shop as foresaid without such license.

*Sec.2. No person shall, within the Town of Savoy, deal in or keep for sale or barter, junk or old metals unless licensed by the Selectmen and only after a public hearing has been held.

*Sec.3. No person shall allow to accumulate on any property owned or controlled by him, old metals, all types of unused machinery, or assorted items in a state of disrepair, otherwise known as junk which may be hazardous, injurious, obnoxious to the neighborhood, except vehicles or machines used for legitimate purposes.

*Sec.4. No person shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, refuse of any kind on any of the town ways or town property, except in the public dump especially provided for that purpose.

Commented [AC9]: Remove - Replaced by zoning by laws

*Sec.5. Whoever violates any by-law of the town shall, unless other provisions is expressly made, pay a fine not exceeding the maximum permissible by law for violation of by-law, and each continuing day such violation may be considered a separate offense.

Commented [AC10]: Rept - 2.4, I, b.

(The by-laws were adopted by the Town of Savoy at a Special Town Meeting held on May 27, 1971 and approved by the Attorney General on July 12, 1971)

*The Town of Savoy adopted Zoning By-Laws at a Special Town Meeting held on September 3, 1974 and approved by the Attorney General Robert H. Quinn on September 17, 1974. These by-laws will take the place of the Sections 1 thru 4 of the General Government Town By-laws.

*Sec.6. With the exception of fire fighting equipment, no town owned machinery and/or equipment shall be operated by a person under 18 years of age.

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*Sec.7. There shall be established a Road Machinery Earnings Account, which account shall be credited with earnings received according to law for the use of town-owned machinery and/or equipment from which account no appropriation shall be voted or authorized except for the purchase of new machinery/or equipment. (Amended 1989)

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(The above two sections were adopted by the Town of Savoy at the Annual Town Meeting held on March 8, 1965 and approved by the Attorney General Edward W. Brooke on March 22, 1965)

AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWN OF SAVOY BY-LAWS:

I. TOWN MEETINGS:

Section 1.

Amendment 1. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Monday in March.

(Amended at Special Town Meeting held in the Town of Savoy on Monday, March 15, 1954 and approved by the Attorney General George Fingold on May 3, 1954)

Amendment 2. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the second Monday in March, beginning at 7:30 P.M. in the evening, one week after the annual town election of officers held on the first Monday in March.

{Amended at the Annual Town Meeting held in Savoy on March 4, 1959 and approved by the Attorney General Edward J. McCormack, Jr. on July 29, 1959}

Amendment 3. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday in May and the Annual Town Election on the second Tuesday in May.

{Amended at a Special Town Meeting held in Savoy on December 26, 1973 and approved by the Attorney General Robert H. Quinn on August 16, 1974}

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I. TOWN MEETINGS:

Section 2.

Amendment 1. The polls shall be opened at 12 noon and shall remain opened until 8:00 P.M. in the evening.

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{Amended at a Special Town Meeting held on July 23, 1975 and approved by the Attorney General Francis X. Ballotti in August 1975}

III. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Section 7.

Amendment 1. There shall be established a Road Machinery Earning Account which account shall be credited with earnings received according to law for use of town owned machinery and/or equipment from which account no appropriation shall be voted or authorized except for the purchase, maintenance and repair of new and used equipment for the Highway Department or for any Highway Department use.

{Amended at a Special Town Meeting held on August 22, 1989 and approved by the Attorney General}

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IV. ENFORCEMENT:

Section 1.

(A) Criminal Complaint

Whoever violates any provision of the town by-laws may be penalized by indictment or on complaint brought in the district court. Except as may be otherwise provided by law and as district court may see fit to impose, the maximum penalty for each violation, or offense, brought in such manner, shall be three hundred dollars.

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(B) Non-criminal Disposition

Whoever violates any provision of these town by-laws, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty, may be penalized by a non-criminal disposition as provided in general laws, Chapter 40, Section 21D. The non-criminal method of disposition may also be used for violations of any rules or regulations of any municipal officer, board or department which is subject to a specific penalty.

Without intending to limit the generality of the foregoing, it is the intention of this provision that the following by-laws and sections of by-laws are to be included within the scope of this subsection, that the specific penalties as listed here shall apply in addition to police officers, who shall in all cases be considered enforcing persons for the purpose of this provision, the municipal personnel listed for each

section, if any, shall also be enforcing persons for such sections; each day on which any violation exists shall be deemed to be a separate offense;

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GENERAL BY-LAW

ARTICLE III

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Section 1 License | \$25.00 |
| Section 2 Sale of Junk | \$25.00 |
| Section 3 Accumulation of Junk | \$25.00 |
| Section 4 Littering | \$25.00 |
| Section 6 Recycling | \$25.00 |

Commented [AC16]: Kept - Sec 24, l, d

V. LICENSE APPLICATION:

Sec.1 Any application will be automatically denied for, or revoke or suspend any local license or permit including renewals and transfers issued by any board officer, department for any person, corporation or business enterprise who has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or any other municipal charges.

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VI. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Local Licenses and Permits; Denial, Revocation or Suspension for Failure to pay Municipal Taxes or Charges

1). Definitions

a). Tax Collector - The tax collector of the Town of Savoy elected pursuant to section one chapter forty-one of the Massachusetts general Law.

b). Licensing Authority - each board, commission, department, division or official of the Town of Savoy that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers.

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2). Annual Notification of Licensing Authority by Tax Collector: The tax collector shall annually furnish to each licensing authority a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the party, that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate tax board.

3). Action by Licensing Authority: The Licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector; provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the tax collector, as required by applicable provision of law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The tax collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purpose of such proceedings and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceedings at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the license authority receives a certificate issued by the tax collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate.

4). **Payment Agreement:** Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable law.

5). **Power of Board of Selectmen to Waive Action Under Certain Conditions:** The Board of Selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders; if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of Massachusetts General Law in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

6). **By-Law Not Applicable to Certain licenses and permits:** This by-law shall not apply to the following licenses and permits: open burning; Section 13 of Chapter 48; bicycle permits; Section 1.1A of Chapter 85; sales of articles for charitable purposes; Section 33 of Chapter 101; children work permits; Section 69 of Chapter 149; clubs; associations dispensing food and beverage licenses; Section 21B of Chapter 140; fishing, hunting, trapping license; Section 12 of Chapter 131; marriage licenses; Section 28 of Chapter 207 and theatrical events, public exhibition permits; Section 181 of Chapter 140 of Massachusetts General Laws. The above by-law shall take effect if enacted by the town meeting, and if approved by the Attorney General of Massachusetts under Section 32 of Chapter 4 of the Massachusetts General Laws; or if ninety days shall elapse without action by the Attorney General as provided in said Section 32.

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VII. REIMBURSEMENT: "Any person or persons or any legal entities presenting any matter to the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Conservation Commission, Board of Health, Building Inspector or any other Board of the Town, which requires the Town to incur expenses for compliance with the Zoning By-Laws, Town By-Laws, State Statutes, and Federal Statutes, shall reimburse the Town for each expense."

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(The above by-laws were adopted at a Special Town Meeting held on March 22, 1990 and approved by the Attorney General on June 27, 1990)

VIII. RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL: "To require that radioactive waste be stored or disposed in facilities licensed for radioactive materials."

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(The above by-law was adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held on June 14, 1990 and approved by Attorney General on)

I. TOWN MEETINGS:

"The Town shall print an Annual Town Report at the end of each fiscal year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 49."

Commented [AC24]: Dept - Sec. 2.4, ii

(The above by-law was adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 6, 1980 and approved by Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti on August 11, 1980)

"To prohibit snow plowing across all highways and byways, but will be allowed to plow to the right of driveways."

~~AMENDED TO READ:~~

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~~To prohibit snow plowing, shoveling and snow blowing across all highways and byways, but will be allowed to plow to the right of driveways.~~

Commented [AC26]: kept - Sec. 4.4

(The above by-law was adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held on June 9, 1993 and approved by Attorney General Anthony R. Penski on August 18, 1993)

Section 1. There shall be established a Capital Improvement Program for the Town's purchase of major capital items, including land and buildings, construction of new buildings, renovation of existing buildings, large equipment items, machinery, road paving/reconstruction, and vehicles. This program shall be administered by a Capital Improvement Committee ("the Committee") to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen and consisting of seven (7) members: one from each of the following groups:

- Board of Selectmen
- Finance Committee
- School Committee
- Highway Superintendent
- Fire Chief
- Planning Board
- Parks/Recreation

Section 2. The Committee shall have the responsibility of carrying out the following duties:

- Compile and maintain an inventory of all Capital Item (as defined in Section 3, below) which are owned by the Town
- Develop and continually update a list of Capital Item needs/requests of all Town Departments. Prioritize each request and establish a timetable for funding over an ongoing five (5) year period, which said list and funding schedule shall constitute the Town's Five Year Capital Improvement Plan ("the Five Year CIP")
- Present each updated Five Year CIP to the Annual Town Meeting with a detailed funding request for Capital Items to be included in the upcoming fiscal year's Annual Budget, said Capital Items to be contained in a separate Article on the Warrant

Section 3. The Committee shall determine what constitutes a Capital Item and advise all departments of the adopted definition. Said definition may need to be amended from time to time and such amendment may be accomplished by a majority vote of the Committee. The Committee shall work closely with the Board of Selectmen, Board of Assessors, and Finance Committee in determining each year what amount of funding may be dedicated for the purchase of Capital Items.

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(The above by-law was adopted at a Special Town Meeting held on June 30, 2000 and approved by Attorney General Thomas F. Reilly on September 18, 2000)

By-Law Numbering Building:

Section 1: It shall be the duty of the Fire Chief or his designee to assign numbers to all dwelling houses or other buildings now standing or hereafter to be erected fronting on any street, lane, alley or highway within the town. When any such structures shall thereafter be erected, the Building Inspector shall forthwith notify the Fire Chief thereof, who shall thereupon notify in writing the owner occupant thereof of the number assigned thereto.

Section 2: The numbers referred to in Section 1 shall, each cover a distance of 50 feet and measurement for assignment of numbers shall be made continuously from end to end of the street, lane, alley or highway. The odd numbers shall be on the left-hand side of the street as one goes from the principal street from which it opens, and the even numbers similarly on the right-hand side of the street. The Fire Chief may order any street already numbered to be renumbered when he deems it necessary.

Section 3: Every owner or occupant of any dwelling, house or other building or part of a building, situated as set out in section 2, shall place and maintain, in contrasting color, on the mailbox or on a comparable post at the driveway facing the street such number or numbers as may be assigned thereto by the Fire Chief under any provision of this by-law, and such numbers shall be at least three (3) inches in height and shall be placed so as to be easily observed from the street in front of the premises.

Section 4: Any owner or occupant of a dwelling, house or other building who, after expiration of ten (10) days from the time when the notice in writing is delivered to such owner or occupant who have reference to the placing of maintenance of the number or numbers assigned to such dwelling, house or building by the Fire Chief, refuses, fails or neglects to comply with the provisions of Sections 1, 2, and 3, of this by-law, shall for each offense forfeit and pay a non-criminal penalty of \$2.00.

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Article # 15 on the same warrant and voted on YES 28 – NO 10:

The Board of Selectmen shall annually appoint for term of one year a Tree Warden. The position of Tree Warden elected at the 1991 municipal election shall expire effective 7 days after the municipal election held in 1992, and thereafter said petition shall be appointed.

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Article # 17 on the same warrant and voted on unanimously:

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FEES

Section 1: All persons disposing of solid waste at the transfer station shall pay a disposal fee. The disposal fee shall be established from time to time by the Board of Health, by adoption of regulations pursuant to General Law, Chapter 111, Section 31.

Section 2: Any person who shall knowingly violate any provision of this by-law or any rule or regulation established pursuant to it shall be subject to a non-criminal fine of not more than \$25.00.

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(The above by-laws was adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 21, 1991 and approved by Assistant Attorney General Anthony E. Penski on October 10, 1991)

SAVOY MODEL RIGHT TO FARM BY-LAW

Section 1 Legislative Purpose and Intent

The purpose and intent of this by-law is to state with emphasis the Right to Farm accorded to all citizens of the Commonwealth under Article 97, of the Constitution, and all state statutes and regulations there under including but not limited to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 3, Paragraph 1; Chapter 90, Section 9; Chapter 111, Section 125A and Chapter 128 Section 1A. We the citizens of Savoy restate and republish these rights pursuant to the Town's authority conferred by Article 89 of the Articles of Amendment of the Massachusetts Constitution, ("Home Rule Amendment"). This general

By-law encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmlands within the Town of Savoy by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town agencies. This By-law shall apply to all jurisdictional areas within the Town.

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- * raising of livestock including horses;
- * keeping of horses as a commercial enterprise; and
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- * operation and transportation of slow-moving farm equipment over roads within the Town;
- * control of pests, including, but not limited to, insects, weeds, predators and disease organisms of plants and animals;
- * application of manure, fertilizers and pesticides;
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- * maintenance, repair, or storage of seasonal equipment, or apparatus owned or leased by the farm owner or manager used expressly for the purpose of propagation, processing, management, or sale of the agricultural products; and
- * on-farm relocation of earth and the clearing of ground for farming operations.

Section 3 Applicability

This By-law shall be applicable to all commercial farming practices and activities conducted within the jurisdictional areas of the town. The provisions of the By-law shall not apply whenever an adverse impact results from negligence or willful or reckless misconduct in the operation of any such agricultural or farming operation, place, establishment or facility or any of its appurtenances.

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to Farm By-law shall be deemed as acquiring any interest in land, or as imposing any land use regulation, which is properly the subject of state statute, regulation, or local zoning law.

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"It is the policy of this community to conserve, protect and encourage the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other agricultural products, and also for its natural and ecological value. This disclosure notification is to inform buyers or occupants that the property they are about to acquire or occupy lies within a town where farming activities occur. Such farming activities may include, but are not limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors. Buyers or occupants are also informed that the location of property within the Town may be impacted by commercial agricultural operations."

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Any person who seeks to complain about the operation of a farm may, notwithstanding pursuing any other available remedy, file a grievance with the Select Board, the Zoning Enforcement Officer, or the Board of Health, depending upon the nature of the grievance. The filing of the grievance does not suspend the time within which to pursue any other remedies that the aggrieved may have. The Zoning Enforcement Officer or Select Board may forward a copy of the grievance to the Agricultural Commission, or other board or commission, as determined by the Select Board, which shall review and facilitate the resolution of the grievance, and report its recommendations to the referring Town authority within an agreed upon time frame.

Section 8 Severability Clause

If any part of this By-law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this By-law. The Town of Savoy hereby declares the provisions of this By-law to be severable.

(The above By-law was adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held on June 8, 2005 and approved by Attorney General on September 21, 2005)

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HANDICAP PARKING VIOLATIONS

Section I. "No person shall park in a designated parking area without a proper handicap license plate and/or handicap identification card."

Section II. "Any and all persons in violation will be fined \$ 100.00 for violation."

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MAILBOXES

"It shall be the responsibility of all residents to place their mailbox in a safe and appropriate location so that snow can be cleared without obstruction. Any expense incurred as a result of the damage to the mailbox should be born by the owner."

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AMENDMENT TO BY-LAW SECTION IV, ARTICLE III, SECTION 4:

LITTERING Deleted: \$25.00
LITTERING Amended to read:

\$100.00 for first offense
\$200.00 for second offense
\$300.00 for third and subsequent offenses

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NUMBERING BUILDINGS

By-law numbering buildings/Section 4:

In addition, place the sentence:

"Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense."

Amended By-law to read:

"Any owner or occupant of a dwelling, house, or other building, who, after expiration of ten (10) days from the time when the notice in writing is delivered to such owner or occupant who have reference to the placing or maintenance of the number or numbers assigned to such dwelling, house, or building by the fire chief, refuses, fails or neglects to comply with the provisions of Section 1, 2, and 3, of this by-law, shall for each offense forfeit and pay a non-criminal penalty of \$2.00. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense."

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(The June 30, 2005 Special Town Meeting and approved by the Attorney General of Mass on September 16, 2005)

ARTICLE # 23: To see if the town will vote to amend a Town By-law:
Town Meetings: Section 1, Amendment 3:

FROM: "The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday in May and the Annual Town Elections on the second Tuesday in May."

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TO: [The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the second Wednesday in May] and the Annual Town Election on the third Wednesday in May.

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(Annual Town Meeting May 2, 2006 and approved by the Attorney General Thomas F. Reilly on May 25, 2006)

ARTICLE # 11: To see if the town will vote the following as a Town By-law or take any other action in relation thereto:

"No public or private utility and/or construction company shall work on any public way within the town without notifying the Police Chief or his/her appointed designee. All road details shall be assigned by the Police Chief or his/her designee."

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(Special Town Meeting December 19, 2007 and approved by the Attorney General Martha Coakley on June 19, 2008)

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Town of Savoy

General Bylaws

Section 1: General Provisions

1.1 Definitions

Tax Collector – The tax collector of the Town of Savoy elected pursuant to Section One, Chapter Forty-one of the Massachusetts General Law. (Adopted 1990)

Licensing Authority – each board, commission, department, division or official of the Town of Savoy that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers. (Adopted 1990)

Section 2. Town Government & Administration

2.1 Town Elections

- i. The Annual Town Election shall be held on the third Wednesday in May (Amended 2006)
- ii. The polls shall be opened at 12 noon and shall remain opened until 8:00 P.M. in the evening (Amended 1975)

2.2 Board of Selectmen

- i. **Roles and Responsibilities**
 - a. The Selectmen shall have general direction and management of the property of the town and in all matters affecting the interest or welfare of the town, except as otherwise provided by law or by the by-laws. (Adopted 1949)
 - b. The Selectmen may appear either personally or by counsel before any committee of the General Court, any court or board or commission to protect the interests of the town but are not authorized by this by-law to commit the town to any course of actions. (Adopted 1949)
 - c. The Selectmen shall have charge and management of suits and actions for and against the town, except such suits as are within the scope and duties of the Tax Collector, and may prosecute, defend, or settle the same as they see fit, unless otherwise directed by vote of the town (Adopted 1949)
- ii. **Appointment Powers**
 - a. The Selectmen shall act as town agents and shall have authority as agents and authorities of the town to employ a town counsel for the town and the various offices and boards thereof. (Adopted 1949)

- b. The Board of Selectmen shall annually appoint for term of one year a Tree Warden. The position of Tree Warden elected at the 1991 municipal election shall expire effective 7 days after the municipal election held in 1992, and thereafter said petition shall be appointed. (Adopted 1991)

2.3 Town Meetings

- i. **Annual & Special Town Meetings**

The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the second Wednesday in May (Amended 2006)

- ii. **Quorum**

At Annual Meeting, twenty-five legal voters shall be necessary to constitute a quorum, provided that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. At special meetings, ten legal voters shall be necessary to constitute a quorum, provided that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn the same. (Adopted 1949)

- iii. **Warrant Articles and Procedures**

- a. All warrants for town meetings, whether annual or special, shall be served by posting up attested copies of the same in at least two public places in the town not less than seven days before such meeting (Adopted 1949)
- b. When articles requiring an appropriation of money are presented in the warrant for a town meeting, said article must contain the request for the appropriation. (Adopted 1949)

2.4 Town Administration & Operations

- i. **Enforcement of Bylaws**

- a. **Criminal Complaint:** Whoever violates any provision of the town by-laws may be penalized by indictment or on complaint brought in the district court. Except as may be otherwise provided by law and as district court may see fit to impose, the maximum penalty for each violation, or offense, brought in such manner, shall be three hundred dollars. (Adopted 1990)
- b. Whoever violates any by-law of the town shall, unless other provisions are expressly made, pay a fine not exceeding the maximum permissible by law for violation of by-law, and each continuing day such violation may be considered a separate offense. (Adopted 1971)
- c. **Non-criminal Disposition:** Whoever violates any provision of these town by-laws, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty, may be penalized by a non-criminal disposition as provided in general laws, Chapter 40, Section 21D. The non-criminal method of disposition may also be used for violations of any rules or regulations of any municipal officer, board or department which is subject to a specific penalty. (Adopted 1990)
- d. Without intending to limit the generality of the foregoing, it is the intention of this provision that the following by-laws and sections of by-laws are to be included within the scope of this subsection, that the specific penalties as listed here shall

apply in addition to police officers, who shall in all cases be considered enforcing persons for the purpose of this provision, the municipal personnel listed for each section, if any, shall also be enforcing persons for such sections: each day on which any violation exists shall be deemed to be a separate offense. (Adopted 1990)

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| License | \$25.00 |
| Sale of Junk | \$25.00 |
| Accumulation of Junk | \$25.00 |
| Littering (amended 2005): | |
| a. \$100.00 for first offense | |
| b. \$200.00 for second offense | |
| c. \$300.00 for third and subsequent offenses | |
| Recycling | \$25.00 |

ii. Annual Town Reports

The Town shall print an Annual Town Report at the end of each fiscal year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 49. (Adopted 1980)

iii. Reimbursements

Any person or persons or any legal entities presenting any matter to the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Conservation Commission, Board of Health, Building Inspector or any other Board of the Town, which requires the Town to incur expenses for compliance with the Zoning By-Laws, Town By-Laws, State Statutes, and Federal Statutes, shall reimburse the Town for each expense. (Adopted 1990)

Section 3. Finance & Budgeting

3.1 Capital Improvement Program

- i. There shall be established a Capital Improvement Program for the Town's purchase of major capital items, including land and buildings, construction of new buildings, renovation of existing buildings, large equipment items, machinery, road paving/reconstruction, and vehicles. This program shall be administered by a Capital Improvement Committee ("the Committee") to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen and consisting of seven (7) members – one from each of the following groups:
- Board of Selectmen
 - Finance Committee
 - School Committee
 - Highway Superintendent
 - Fire Chief
 - Planning Board

- Parks/Recreation

(Adopted 2000)

ii. The Committee shall have the responsibility of carrying out the following duties:

- a. Compile and maintain an inventory of all Capital Items (as defined in [REDACTED] below) which are owned by the Town
- b. Develop and continually update a list of Capital Item needs/requests of all Town Departments, prioritize each request and establish a timetable for funding over an ongoing five (5) year period, which said list and funding schedule shall constitute the Town's Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan ("the Five-Year CIP")
- c. Present each updated Five-Year CIP to the Annual Town Meeting with a detailed funding request for Capital Items to be included in the upcoming fiscal year's Annual Budget, said Capital Items to be contained in a separate Article on the Warrant.

(Adopted 2000)

iii. The Committee shall determine what constitutes a Capital Item and advise all departments of the adopted definition. Said definition may need to be amended from time to time and such amendment may be accomplished by a majority vote of the Committee. The Committee shall work closely with the Board of Selectmen, Board of Assessors, and Finance Committee in determining each year what amount of funding may be dedicated for the purchase of Capital Items. (Adopted 2000)

3.2 Revolving Funds

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Section 4: Public Safety & Enforcement

4.1 Building Numbering System

- i. It shall be the duty of the Fire Chief or his designee to assign numbers to all dwelling houses or other buildings now standing or hereafter to be erected fronting on any street, lane, alley or highway within the town. When any such structures shall thereafter be erected, the Building Inspector shall forthwith notify the Fire Chief thereof, who shall thereupon notify in writing the owner occupant thereof of the number assigned thereto.
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street as one goes from the principal street from which it opens, and the even numbers similarly on the right-hand side of the street. The Fire Chief may order any street already numbered to be renumbered when he deems it necessary.

- iii. Every owner or occupant of any dwelling, house or other building or part of a building, situated as set out in **Section 2**, shall place and maintain, in contrasting color, on the mailbox or on a comparable post at the driveway facing the street such number or numbers as may be assigned thereto by the Fire Chief under any provision of this by-law, and such numbers shall be at least three (3) inches in height and shall be placed so as to be easily observed from the street in front of the premises.
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(the above, Adopted 2005)

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- i. All persons disposing of solid waste at the transfer station shall pay a disposal fee. The disposal fee shall be established from time to time by the Board of Health, by adoption of regulations pursuant to General Law, Chapter 111, Section 31. (Adopted 1991)

- ii. Any person who shall knowingly violate any provision of this by-law or any rule or regulation established pursuant to it shall be subject to a non-criminal fine of not more than \$25.00. (Adopted 1991)

5.3 Radioactive Material Storage Restrictions

To require that radioactive waste be stored or disposed in facilities licensed for radioactive materials. (Adopted 1990)

Section 6: Licenses and Permits

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- i. Any application will be automatically denied or revoked or suspended any local license or permit including renewals and transfers issued by any board officer, department for any person, corporation or business enterprise who has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or any other municipal charges. (Adopted 1990)
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- iii. Action by Licensing Authority: The Licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector; provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the tax collector, as required by applicable provision of law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The tax collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purpose of such proceedings and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceedings at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the license authority receives a certificate issued by the tax collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate. (Adopted 1990)

- iv. **Payment Agreement:** Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable law. (Adopted 1990)
- v. **Power of Select Board to Waive Action Under Certain Conditions:** The Select Board may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of Massachusetts General Law in the business or activity conducted in or on said property. (Adopted 1990)
- vi. **By-Law Not Applicable to Certain licenses and permits:** This by-law shall not apply to the following licenses and permits: open burning; Section 13 of Chapter 48; bicycle permits; Section 11A of Chapter 85; sales of articles for charitable purposes, Section 33 of Chapter 101; children work permits, Section 69 of Chapter 149; clubs, associations dispensing food and beverage licenses, Section 21E of Chapter 140; fishing, hunting, trapping license, Section 12 of Chapter 131; marriage licenses, Section 28 of Chapter 207 and theatrical events, public exhibition permits, Section 181 of Chapter 140 of Massachusetts General Laws. The above by-law shall take effect if enacted by the town meeting, and if approved by the Attorney General of Massachusetts under Section 32 of Chapter 4 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or if ninety days shall elapse without action by the Attorney General as provided in said Section 32. (Adopted 1990)

Town of Savoy: History of Bylaw Amendments

(Valid as of June 2025)

| Provision Text | Date Adopted / Amended by Town Meeting | AG Approval |
|--|---|-----------------|
| The Annual Town meeting shall be held on the first Monday, in February of each year. | February 7, 1949 | June 3, 1949 |
| The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Monday in March. | March 15, 1954 | May 3, 1954 |
| The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the second Monday in March, beginning at 7:30 P.M. in the evening, one week after the annual town election of officers held on the first Monday in March. | March 4, 1959 | July 29, 1959 |
| The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday in May and the Annual Town Election on the second Tuesday in May. | December 26, 1973 | August 16, 1974 |
| The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the second Wednesday in May and the Annual Town Election on the third Wednesday in May. | May 2, 2006 | May 25, 2006 |

| Provision Text | Date Adopted / Amended by Town Meeting | AG Approval |
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| The polls shall be opened at 6 A.M. and shall remain open until 2:30P.M. | February 7, 1949 | June 3, 1949 |
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| Provision Text | Date Adopted / Amended by Town Meeting | AG Approval |
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| <p>*Sec.1. The Selectmen may license suitable persons to be collectors of, dealers in or keepers of shop for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metal or second hand articles, and no such person shall be a dealer in or keeper of a shop as foresaid without such license.</p> <p>*Sec.2. No person shall, within the Town of Savoy, deal in or keep for sale or barter, junk or old metals unless licensed by the Selectmen and only after a public hearing has been held.</p> <p>*Sec.3. No person shall allow to accumulate on any property owned or controlled by his, old metals, all types of unused machinery, or assorted items in a state of disrepair, otherwise known as junk which may be</p> | May 27, 1971 | July 12, 1971 |

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| hazardous, injurious, obnoxious to the neighborhood, except vehicles or machines used for legitimate purposes. *Sec.4. No person shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, refuse of any kind on any of the town ways or town property, except in the public dump especially provided for that purpose. | | |
| The Town of Savoy adopted Zoning By-Laws at a Special Town Meeting held on September 3, 1974 and approved by the Attorney General Robert H. Quinn on September 17, 1974. These by-laws will take the place of the Sections 1 thru 4 of the General Government Town By-laws. | September 3, 1974 | September 17, 1974 |

| Provision Text | Date Adopted / Amended by Town Meeting | AG Approval |
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| Sec.7. There shall be established a Road Machinery Earnings Account, which account shall be credited with earnings received according to law for the use of town-owned machinery and/or equipment from which account no appropriation shall be voted or authorized except for the purchase of new machinery/or equipment. | March 8, 1965 | March 22, 1965 |
| There shall be established a Road Machinery Earning Account which account shall be credited with earnings received according to law for use of town owed machinery and/or equipment from which account no appropriation shall be voted or authorized except for the purchase, maintenance and repair of new and used equipment for the Highway Department or for any Highway Department use. | August 22, 1989 | Not listed |

| Provision Text | Date Adopted / Amended by Town Meeting | AG Approval |
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| GENERAL BY-LAW ARTICLE III Section 1 License \$25.00 Section 2 Sale of Junk \$25.00 Section 3 Accumulation of Junk \$25.00 Section 4 Littering \$25.00 Section 6 Recycling \$25.00 | March 22, 1990 | June 27, 1990 |
| LITTERING Deleted: \$25.00 LITTERING Amended to read: \$100.00 for first offense \$200.00 for second offense | June 30, 2005 | September 16, 2005 |

| | | |
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| \$300.00 for third and subsequent offenses | | |
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| Provision Text | Date Adopted / Amended by Town Meeting | AG Approval |
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| NUMBERING BUILDINGS Section 4: Any owner or occupant of a dwelling, house or other building who, after expiration of ten (10) days from the time when the notice in writing is delivered to such owner or occupant who have reference to the placing of maintenance of the number or numbers assigned to such dwelling, house or building by the Fire Chief, refuses, fails or neglects to comply with the provisions of Sections 1, 2, and 3, of this by-law, shall for each offense forfeit and pay a non-criminal penalty of \$2.00. | May 21, 1991 | October 10, 1991 |
| NUMBERING BUILDINGS By-law numbering buildings/Section 4: In addition, place the sentence: “Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.” Amended By-law to read: “Any owner or occupant of a dwelling, house, or other building, who, after expiration of ten (10) days from the time when the notice in writing is delivered to such owner or occupant who have reference to the placing or maintenance of the number or numbers assigned to such dwelling, house, or building by the fire chief, refuses, fails or neglects to comply with the provisions of Section 1, 2, and 3, of this by-law, shall for each offense forfeit and pay a non-criminal penalty of \$2.00. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.” | June 30, 2005 | September 16, 2005 |

“To prohibit snow plowing across all highways and byways, but will be allowed to plow to the right of driveways.”

-AMENDED TO READ-

“To prohibit snow plowing, shoveling and snow blowing across all highways and byways, but will be allowed to plow to the right of driveways.”

(The above by-law was adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held on June 9, 1993 and approved by Attorney General Anthony E. Penski on August 18, 1993)

2025 Vital Records

Births: 6 girls, 3 boys

Marriages:

September 19, 2025 – Jennafer-Lyn Frances Segala and Justyn James Tworig

December 20, 2025 – Makenna Lindsey Arnold and Justin Nicholas Kaczowski

Deaths:

March 19, 2025 – David Joh Nassif Jr, aged 66

April 26, 2025 – Bruce Alfred Kupiec, aged 77

April 29, 2025 – Chris Andersen, aged 84

September 5, 2025 – John J. Trusdowski, aged 86

September 27, 2025 – Eckhard Hubert Groll, aged 73

December 9, 2025 – Herbert Duane West, aged 88

Dog Licenses issued: 129

Savoy Annual Town Election

The Savoy Annual Town Election was held Wednesday, May 14, 2025 from 12 – 8 pm at the Town Hall. One hundred and thirty three (133) residents voted in the election. Results of the election are as follows. * designates the winner.

| <u>Office</u> | <u>Votes</u> | <u>Office</u> | <u>Votes</u> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Assessor | | Planning Board | |
| Beverly Maynard | 115* | Blank | 133 |
| Blank | 18 | Total votes cast | 133 |
| Total votes cast | 133 | | |
| Cemetery Commission | | Planning Board | |
| Joan Ziter | 124* | Blank | 133 |
| Blank | 9 | Total votes cast | 133 |
| Total votes cast | 133 | | |
| Constable | | School Committee | |
| Phil Reeves | 22* | Amber Will | 109* |
| Blank | 111 | Blank | 24 |
| Total votes cast | 133 | Total votes cast | 133 |
| Moderator | | School Committee | |
| Eric Krutiak | 24 | Susan Bresett | 22* |
| Blanks | 109 | Blank | 111 |
| Total votes cast | 133 | Total votes cast | 133 |
| Park Commission | | Select Board | |
| John Glynn | 105* | Marie Saucier | 82* |
| Blank | 28 | Gary Reeves | 47 |
| Total votes cast | 133 | Blank | 4 |
| | | Total votes cast | 133 |
| Question: Shall the position of Treasurer become appointed? | | | |
| Yes | 62* | | |
| No | 59 | | |
| Blank | 12 | | |
| Total votes cast | 133 | | |

A True Copy Attest: Valerie Reiner, Savoy Town Clerk



REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND PRINCIPAL AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

The North Berkshire School Union Administrative Team, in conjunction with the building principal and School Committee, work to enhance and improve the Emma L. Miller Memorial Elementary School for students and staff. The mission of Emma L. Miller School continues to be the creation of an environment where each child may reach his/her full potential and see education as a lifelong process. As always, we also work hard to ensure that our students are fully prepared to be successful in the next stage of their academic lives.

School Committee

Arleigh Cooper - Chairperson (acooper@nbsunion.com)
Amber Will - (awill@nbsunion.com)
Susan Bresett - (sbresett@nbsunion.com)

Superintendent of Schools

Mr. John Franzoni (jfranzoni@nbsunion.com)

Assistant Superintendent of Schools & Student Services

Mrs. Tara Barnes (tbarnes@nbsunion.com)

Principal

Mrs. Tracey Tierney (ttierney@savoylementary.com)

Staff Demographics

North Berkshire School Union Shared Employees - Seven
Principal – One Part Time
Teachers - Five Full Time & Three Part Time
Teacher Assistants - Two Full Time & One Part Time
Administrative Assistant/School Nurse - One Full Time
School Adjustment Counselor - One Part Time
Custodian - One Part Time

Student Demographics:

SY 2024-2025 = 39 students (19 Savoy Residents, 20 School Choice)

School Website: www.savoylementary.com

Finally, we would like to thank the faculty, staff, parents, town officials, and school committee members for their continued participation, hard work, and support afforded to Emma L. Miller Elementary School through the 2024-2025 school year. The community's dedication to our special little school is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracey Tierney, Principal
John Franzoni, Superintendent

Town of Savoy
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Annual Town Meeting Warrant
Tuesday, June 24, 2025
7:00 pm at the Fire House 17 Center Rd.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Berkshire, SS

To either of the Constables of the Town of Savoy in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Savoy qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Savoy Fire House in said Savoy on Tuesday the 24th of June 2025, at 7:00pm and then and there to act on the following articles:

Meeting opened at 7:03pm, with 50 registered voters in attendance.

Article 1: Elected Salaries:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,250 for the annual salaries of elected officials who receive compensation from the Town as provided in M.G.L. c. 40, section 108, to be effective from July 1, 2025, as follows or take any vote or votes in relation thereto:

Selectmen: \$4,000.00 each for a total of \$12,000.00

Moderator: \$250.00

Assessors: \$3,000.00 each for a total of \$9,000.00

Town Clerk \$5,000.00

Motion: Mr. Lambert

Second: Mrs. Boody

Discussion: Everything was level funded.

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

Article 2: General Government

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$274,120.00 for the operation of the General Government, including Selectmen's expenses, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Assessor, Town Clerk, and other related expenses or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Major adjustments include:

- Treasurer Salary increase from \$8,500 to \$20,000 (+\$11,500).
- Town Office Building increase from \$10,000 to \$20,000 (+\$10,000).
- Addition of an Assessor Clerk (\$6,000) and Cyclical DOR funding (\$15,000).

Motion: Mr. Lambert

Second: Mrs. Cooper

Discussion: Office building expenses – Roof? Foundation? Windows? Non-working bathroom? Chipping away at projects.

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

Article 3: Highway Department

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$488,400.00** for the maintenance and operation of the Highway Department, including road maintenance, equipment repairs, and personnel costs or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Changes include:

- Increased part-time help from \$23,000 to \$46,000.
- Road Maintenance increased to \$110,000.
- Freightliner Payment of \$63,549.67 removed.

Motion: Mrs. Boody

Second: Mrs. Williams

Discussion: 3 fulltime, 2 part time employees (summer help) extra money for second person, enough money to fix roads? Never enough money to fix roads.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 4: Snow and Ice

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$120,000.00** for the continued operational expenses of the fiscal year 2026 Winter season or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mr. Wandrei

Second: Mrs. Schaffrick

Discussion: Hearing none

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

Article 5: Schools and Libraries

ARTICLE #5A: To see if the Town will vote **to raise and appropriate** such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary for all charges and expenses of the school for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 or take any vote or votes in relation thereto. **\$851,836**

Motion: Mrs. Cooper

Second: Mrs. Boody

Discussion: Regular school budget for Savoy school and tuition for Adams/Cheshire regional school.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

ARTICLE #5B: To see if the Town will vote **to raise and appropriate** such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary for all charges and expenses of C.H.McCann Technical High School for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 or take any vote or votes in relation thereto. **\$222,312**

Motion: Mr. Wandrei

Second: Mrs. Luczynski

Discussion: Tuition for students going to McCann school, increase in enrollment and increasing costs.

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

ARTICLE #5C: To see if the Town will vote **to raise and appropriate** such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary for all charges and expenses of Smith Vocational Tuition for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 or take any vote or votes in relation thereto. **\$22,500**

Motion: Mrs. Cooper

Second: Mrs. Luczynski

Discussion: One student attending through school choice for agricultural program. Costs more for transportation than tuition? State mandates this. In the past, we've been able to share expenses, but don't have that option this year. Only state reimbursement is for a regional school district, which we are not.

Opposed: Majorite rules, motion carries

ARTICLE #5D: To see if the Town will vote **to raise and appropriate** such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary for all charges and expenses of Alternative Transportation (Smith Vocational) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 or take any vote or votes in relation thereto. **\$32,760**

Motion: Mrs. Schraffrick

Second: Mrs. Boody

Discussion: Agreement is with Hoosac Valley or McCann. McCann doesn't offer the program needed (agriculture), MA allows school choice to find the nearest school for that program. Can do a regional study to see what is needed. Legally required to provide transportation. No current plans to add agricultural program to McCann.
Opposed: Majority rules, motion and carries

Article 6: Health & Sanitation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$53,908.00** for landfill operation, animal control, and health services or take any vote or votes in relation thereto. Reductions include:

- Landfill Transfer Station expenses decreased by \$6,740.
- Concrete Pad and Landfill Cap Closure removed.

Motion: Mr. Lambert

Second: Mr. Kunzmann

Discussion: Kim Witek is animal control officer out of the town of Adams

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 7: Protection of Persons & Property

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$66,320.00** for public safety, including police, fire, animal control, and inspection services or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.
Major changes:

- Police Chief salary increased to \$8,900.
- Building Inspector expense increased to \$8,700.

Motion: Mrs. Boody

Second: Mrs. Rougeau

Discussion: No cop car driving around or anything. Used to base salary on tickets?

Jordan Koch works 2 nights/month doing LTC permits and FID renewals. Can also call with problems but not patrolling or ticketing. Who holds him accountable? Often not there and difficult to get ahold of. Will ask Jordan about this. Patrolling? Payroll made

easier to make it as salary instead of hourly public safety. Now all salary. Not really changing. \$1600 difference in pay. Also chair of safety committee which helps with town insurance premiums. Building inspector gets a flat fee. Permit money goes to town.

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

Article 8: Unclassified Expenses

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$398,400.00** for general expenses including insurance, county retirement, reserve funds, and miscellaneous town services or take any vote or votes in relation thereto. Adjustments include:

- Increased Insurance 32-B School from \$0 to \$163,000.
- Workman's Compensation reduced by \$6,563.58.

Motion: Mr. Lambert

Second: Mrs. Cooper

Discussion: Classifying under town and not school now.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 9: Veterans' Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$22,000.00** for Veterans' Services or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mrs. Williams

Second: Mr. Wandrei

Discussion: Veterans services come out of North Adams and we have residents in town who receive services. Curtis Derosiers is now representative. Reimbursed by state if veterans receive services.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 10: Capital Improvement \$20,000.00 for Capital Improvement Reserve or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mrs. Boody

Second: Mrs. Glynn

Discussion: Fund to start putting away for projects. Put money aside each year for improvements. Committee looking at items. Expenses are approved by town voter approval. Our by-law requires this fund.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 11: Group Purchasing

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$800** for Group Purchasing in order to follow through with procurement or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mr. Lambert

Second: Mr. Hungate

Discussion: Hearing none

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 12: Free Cash Appropriations

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of **\$224,994** to the Stabilization fund or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mr. Wandrei

Second: Mrs. Boody

Discussion: This will zero out free cash. Stabilization fund is for emergency. Piggy bank. Unused funds go into free cash. Free cash is not certified for current year. Did we take out \$110,00 last year? Yes, in a special town meeting. Putting back money?

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 13:

To see if the Town will vote to commission a website in the interest of the Town of Savoy, enhancing communication with the residents in the interest of safety and transparency or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mrs. Rougeau

Second: Mrs. Williams

Discussion: Will we be able to pay taxes through website? Not at the moment. Start with smaller website. Overhaul total website, then can add more later. Who will maintain? Many will be able to upload their info to the website. Website specifically for municipalities. IT services is Mad Max. Recording town meetings? Not done by town. Could video record town meetings. Zoom meeting recording and then upload to website. Will we be able to pay for school field trips through website? What is the town looking for? Paying bills. Why are we spending money on this? Not necessary? Communication to residents, safety alert, etc. Website now is drag and drop and the new one won't be kept up? Simple to use? Current website is broken. Nobody paid for hosting? Worried that website won't be maintained. Every town uses different hosting. Can we cancel if not being used? Yes, yearly contract. Learning tool for residents? Overwhelming for some people. No education, very simple. Can we use the message board on the Firehouse instead of website? Townofsavoyma.com

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000 for the initial construction and continued maintenance of the website based on the approval of Article 11 or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mrs. Facchetti

Second: Mr. Lambert

Proposed amendment to this article: Should read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000 for the initial construction and continued maintenance of the website based on the approval of Article 13 or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amendment motion: Mrs. Cooper

Discussion: Hearing none

Opposed: Amendment unanimous and carries

Discussion: Hearing none

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to apply for state or federal grants, and to expend any monies received, as outlined in the appropriate grant application(s) or take any other action thereto or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mrs. Glynn

Second: Mr. Wandrei

Discussion: Hearing none

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to apply for and accept State Grants from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division pursuant to G.L. Ch. 90, and to expend those funds for the purpose of state-approved Chapter 90 projects, services and purchases, or any other enabling authority, or take any other action thereto or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mrs. Cooper

Second: Mr. Lambert

Discussion: Hearing none

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, as permitted by M.G.L. c. 44, section 53F, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Motion: Mrs. Glynn

Second: Mr. Lambert

Discussion: Can adjust balances and move money around.

Opposed: Majority rules, motion carries

Article 18:

Revolving Fund Account Authorization and Bylaw:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the general bylaws of the Town of Savoy by adding a new section to establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, section 53E 1/2, or take any other vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Bylaw to read as follows:

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

1. Purpose. This by-law establishes and authorizes revolving funds for use by town departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in connection with the operation of programs or activities that generate fees, charges or other receipts to support all or some of the expenses of those programs or activities. These revolving funds are established under and governed by General Laws Chapter 44 § 53E1/2.

2. Expenditure Limitations. An authorized department or agency head, board, committee or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law without appropriation subject to the following limitations:

A. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund (except for those employed as school bus drivers.)

B. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.

C. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by this by-law, or town meeting on or before July 1 of that fiscal year, or any increased amount of that authorization that is later approved during that fiscal year by the selectboard and finance committee.

3. **Interest.** Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the general fund.

4. **Procedures and reports.** Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44 §53E1/2 and this by-law, the laws, by-laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures that govern the receipt and custody of town monies and the expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law. The town accountant shall include a statement on the collections credited to each fund, the encumbrances and expenditures charged to the fund and the balance available for expenditure in the regular report the town accountant provides the department, board, committee, agency or officer on appropriations made for its use.

5. **Authorized Revolving Funds.** The Table establishes:

A. Each revolving fund authorized for use by a town department, board, committee, agency or officer.

B. The department or agency head, board, committee or officer authorized to spend from each fund.

C. The fees, charges and other monies charged and received by the department, board, committee, agency or officer in connection with the program or activity for which the fund is established that shall be credited to each fund by the Town Accountant.

D. The expenses of the program or activity for which each fund may be used.

E. Any restrictions or conditions on expenditures from each fund.

F. Any reporting or other requirements that apply to each fund, and

G. The fiscal years each fund shall operate under this by-law.

| Revolving Fund | Entity Authorized to Spend from Fund | Fee, Charges, or Receipts Credited to Fund | Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund | Restrictions or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund | Other Requirements or Reports | Fiscal Years |
|--|--|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Plumbing and Wiring Inspections | Plumbing Inspector Wiring Inspector | Fees Collected for Inspections | Compensation For Inspections | Limit of \$1,500.00 | | Fiscal Year 2025 and Subsequent Years |

Motion: Mr. Wandrei

Second: Mrs. Schaffrick

Discussion: Doesn't town park need a revolving fund? This is just for Plumbing and wiring inspector to add in for last year. The rest are already in there, approved last year. Park in there? Con Com in there? Will check with lawyer to check why all are not in there now.

Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

Why did we wait to have the meeting this late in the spring? Not ready earlier. We do not have a grant writer. No appropriation for grant writer in this budget. Grant follow-up is more important.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

And you are directed to service this warrant, by posting attested copies of the same on the bulletin board at the Savoy Town and on the notice board at the Savoy Transfer Station at least (7) SEVEN days before the time of holding said meeting. HEREOF, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and a place of meeting, as aforesaid.

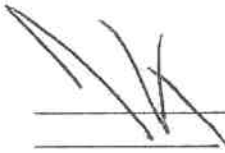
Given under our hands this 10th day of June, in the year TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE (2025).

Justin Kaczowski

Marie Saucier

Brenda Smith

Date








6/10/25

I have posted true and attested copies hereof, on at the Town of Savoy and on at the Savoy Transfer Station.

Constable:  _____

Date: 6-10-25

A true copy to the best of my knowledge.

Valerie Reiner, Savoy Town Clerk

**TOWN OF SAVOY
APPROPRIATION WORKSHEET
FISCAL YEAR 2026**

| APPROPRIATION | FY25 | FY26 | Difference |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| ELECTED SALARIES: | | | |
| Selectmen Salary | 12,000.00 | 12,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Moderator | 250.00 | 250.00 | 0.00 |
| Assessors Salary | 9,000.00 | 9,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Town Clerk | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 0.00 |
| | 26,250.00 | 26,250.00 | 0.00 |
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT: | | | |
| Tax Collector | 7,500.00 | 8,500.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 1,300.00 | 2,300.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Town Council | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Treasurer Expense | 4,700.00 | 4,700.00 | 0.00 |
| Treasurer Salary | 8,500.00 | 20,000.00 | 11,500.00 |
| Bank Charges | 50.00 | 50.00 | 0.00 |
| Collector Expense | 9,000.00 | 9,500.00 | 500.00 |
| Tax Taking /Tax Title | 1,100.00 | 1,600.00 | 500.00 |
| Town Clerk Expense | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Election & Reg. | 4,500.00 | 5,800.00 | 1,300.00 |
| Planning Board Expense | 500.00 | 500.00 | 0.00 |
| Historical Comm. Expense | 50.00 | 50.00 | 0.00 |
| Moderator Expense | 100.00 | 100.00 | 0.00 |
| Electric | 16,080.00 | 16,000.00 | (80.00) |
| Town Office Building | 10,000.00 | 20,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Town Hall Custodian | 3,600.00 | 3,600.00 | 0.00 |
| Telephone | 12,000.00 | 12,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Gas/Heating | 19,000.00 | 20,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Office Supplies | 2,800.00 | 2,800.00 | 0.00 |
| Postage | 2,600.00 | 2,600.00 | 0.00 |
| Assessor's Software | 13,151.00 | 0.00 | (13,151.00) |
| Assessor's Expense | 12,000.00 | 12,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Assessor Clerk | 0.00 | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Cyclical DOR | 0.00 | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 |
| Printing | 900.00 | 900.00 | 0.00 |
| Legal Notice | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Admin. Asst.'s | 23,920.00 | 23,920.00 | 0.00 |
| Accountant Salary | 50,900.00 | 31,500.00 | (19,400.00) |
| Surety Bonds | 600.00 | 1,200.00 | 600.00 |
| Council on Aging | 4,000.00 | 1,500.00 | (2,500.00) |
| Accountant Expense | 200.00 | 200.00 | 0.00 |
| Accountant Software | 14,321.92 | 16,000.00 | 1,678.08 |
| Librarian Salary | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Librarian Expense | 300.00 | 300.00 | 0.00 |
| Plumbing Insp. Expenses | 500.00 | 500.00 | 0.00 |
| Tax Collector Software | 18,000.00 | 1,000.00 | (17,000.00) |
| Veteran's Service Off. Salary | 1,750.00 | 2,000.00 | 250.00 |
| Town Audit | 9,000.00 | 9,000.00 | 0.00 |
| IT Services | 10,000.00 | 11,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| VOIP Project | 0.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| | 271,922.92 | 274,120.00 | 2,197.08 |

**TOWN OF SAVOY
APPROPRIATION WORKSHEET
FISCAL YEAR 2026**

| APPROPRIATION | FY25 | FY26 | Difference |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| HIGHWAY DEPT. EXPENSES: | | | |
| Hourly Pay | 199,680.00 | 200,000.00 | 320.00 |
| Repairs & Supplies | 119,920.00 | 110,000.00 | (9,920.00) |
| Road Maintenance | 100,000.00 | 110,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Highway Building Maint. | 4,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Part Time Help | 23,000.00 | 46,000.00 | 23,000.00 |
| Vacation | 2,997.60 | 0.00 | (2,997.60) |
| FRCOG | 1,975.00 | 2,400.00 | 425.00 |
| Freightliner Payment | 63,549.67 | 0.00 | (63,549.67) |
| Training | 5,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Highway Dept Expenses | 520,122.27 | 488,400.00 | (31,722.27) |
| Snow & Ice | 120,000.00 | 120,000.00 | 0.00 |
| SCHOOL and LIBRARIES: | | | |
| Savoy Elementary | | | |
| Adams/Cheshire Reg. | | | |
| Savoy School Budget | 898,595.88 | 905,576.00 | 6,980.12 |
| School Insurance moved to line 115 | | (163,000.00) | (163,000.00) |
| School Transportation | 88,430.00 | 109,260.00 | 20,830.00 |
| McCann School | 174,508.00 | 218,687.00 | 44,179.00 |
| McCann Transportation | | 3,625.00 | 3,625.00 |
| Smith Vocational Tuition | 20,076.00 | 22,500.00 | 2,424.00 |
| Smith Transportation | 12,000.00 | 32,760.00 | 20,760.00 |
| | 1,193,609.88 | 1,129,408.00 | (64,201.88) |
| HEALTH & SANITATION: | | | |
| Animal Inspector | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 0.00 |
| Landfill Transfer Station Expenses | 43,740.00 | 37,000.00 | (6,740.00) |
| Landfill Attendant's Salary | 10,296.00 | 10,868.00 | 572.00 |
| N. Berk. Solid Waste | 2,500.00 | 2,800.00 | 300.00 |
| Waste Sanitation Facilities | 1,896.00 | 2,040.00 | 144.00 |
| Concrete Pad | 7,500.00 | 0.00 | (7,500.00) |
| Landfill Cap Closure | 3,000.00 | 0.00 | (3,000.00) |
| | 70,132.00 | 53,908.00 | (16,224.00) |
| PROTECTION/PERSONS & PROP. | | | |
| Police Chief Salary | 1,600.00 | 8,900.00 | 7,300.00 |
| Police Public Safety Salary Account | 6,200.00 | 0.00 | (6,200.00) |
| Police Expense | 4,850.00 | 4,850.00 | 0.00 |
| Fire Chief Salary | 3,500.00 | 3,500.00 | 0.00 |
| Fire Equip. & Maint. | 25,360.00 | 25,360.00 | 0.00 |
| Building Insp. Expense | 625.00 | 8,700.00 | 8,075.00 |
| Building Inspector Salary | 3,600.00 | 3,600.00 | 0.00 |
| Board of Health Agent | 7,500.00 | 7,500.00 | 0.00 |
| Animal Control Officer Expense | 600.00 | 600.00 | 0.00 |
| Animal Control Officer Salary | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Health Care Agent (DPH BPRC) | 2,310.00 | 2,310.00 | 0.00 |
| | 57,145.00 | 66,320.00 | 9,175.00 |

**TOWN OF SAVOY
APPROPRIATION WORKSHEET
FISCAL YEAR 2026**

| APPROPRIATION | FY25 | FY26 | Difference |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES: | | | |
| Insurance General | 61,000.00 | 51,000.00 | (10,000.00) |
| Insurance 32-B | 64,000.00 | 70,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Insurance 32-B School | 0.00 | 163,000.00 | 163,000.00 |
| County Retirement | 54,374.00 | 52,200.00 | (2,174.00) |
| Berkshire County Communications | 10,843.45 | 12,000.00 | 1,156.55 |
| Workman's Comp | 14,563.58 | 8,000.00 | (6,563.58) |
| Unemployment | 8,000.00 | 8,000.00 | 0.00 |
| B.C.R.P.C. | 562.84 | 600.00 | 37.16 |
| Short Term Interest Exp. | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 0.00 |
| F.I.C.A. | 11,500.00 | 14,500.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Cemeteries Expense | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Veteran's Graves | 300.00 | 300.00 | 0.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 13,000.00 | 13,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Wire Insp. Exp. | 500.00 | 500.00 | 0.00 |
| Conservation Commission | 750.00 | 750.00 | 0.00 |
| Agricultural Commission | 50.00 | 50.00 | 0.00 |
| Town Park Comm. | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 0.00 |
| | 243,943.87 | 398,400.00 | 154,456.13 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Group Purchasing | 800.00 | 800.00 | 0.00 |
| Capital Improvement Reserve | 0.00 | 20,000.00 | 20,000.00 |
| Veteran's Services | 22,000.00 | 22,000.00 | 0.00 |
| | | | |
| OPERATING BUDGET: | 2,525,925.94 | 2,599,606.00 | 73,680.06 |
| | | | |
| FREE CASH | 0.00 | | 0.00 |
| | | | |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS | 2,525,925.94 | 2,599,606.00 | 73,680.06 |

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2025

All back taxes in Real Estate, Personal Property and Motor Vehicle Excise are listed within this report. The Deputy Collector was served with warrants to collect delinquent taxes with successful results.

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes are being collected on a regular basis. The town has collected 93% of Fiscal Year 2025 Real Estate taxes as well as 99% of Fiscal Year 2025 Property Taxes. Please be sure to change addresses on your license as well as your insurance to ensure you are paying the correct town for your taxes.

If you are having problems paying your Real Estate Taxes in full, please feel free to contact me regarding payment plans. We accept payments in cash, checks or money order. We are unable to take credit card payments at this time. Payment plans are best to be made monthly but we are willing to work with you to make a payment plan that will suit your needs. My office hours at this time are Tuesday evenings from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. and Saturday mornings from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M. I can be reached via email at savoytaxcollector@yahoo.com or 413-743-4290.

Thank you to the residents of Savoy for your support. Please be sure to reach out to me if you have any questions or need any information. I will do my best to get you the information you seek.

Sincerely,
Sheryl L. Guettler
Tax Collector

| TOWN OF SAVOY TAX COLLECTOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING BALANCES | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|------------|--------------|--------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| FY2025 | | | | | | | | | |
| | YEAR | | COMM. | REFUND | TOTAL | ABATE. | CASH | Tax Title | 6/30/2025 |
| | 2025 | | 1,448,008.60 | 881.09 | 1,448,889.69 | 5,881.09 | 1,350,910.72 | | 92,097.88 |
| REAL ESTATE | 2024 | 63,487.01 | | | 63,487.01 | | 31,916.54 | | 31,570.47 |
| | 2023 | 24,744.77 | | | 24,744.77 | | 6,280.25 | | 18,464.52 |
| | 2022 | 20,847.04 | | | 20,847.04 | | 2,710.82 | | 18,136.22 |
| | 2021 | 6,220.50 | | | 6,220.50 | | 300.00 | | 5,920.50 |
| | 2020 | 3,472.75 | | | 3,472.75 | | | | 3,472.75 |
| | 2019 | 257.90 | | | 257.90 | | | | 257.90 |
| | 2018 | 384.56 | | | 384.56 | | | | 384.56 |
| | 2017 | 372.13 | | | 372.13 | | | | 372.13 |
| | 2016 | 353.16 | | | 353.16 | | | | 353.16 |
| | 2015 | 0.00 | | | 0.00 | | | | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 1978-1998 | 9,269.35 | | | 9,269.35 | | | | 9,269.35 |
| | | 129,409.17 | 1,448,008.60 | 881.09 | 1,578,298.86 | 5,881.09 | 1,392,118.33 | 0.00 | 180,299.44 |
| PERSONAL PROPERTY | 2025 | | 89,881.65 | | 89,881.65 | | 88,686.57 | | 1,195.08 |
| | 2024 | 549.47 | | | 549.47 | | 89.73 | | 459.74 |
| | 2023 | 476.68 | | | 476.68 | | 52.45 | | 424.23 |
| | 2022 | 809.05 | | | 809.05 | | 57.53 | | 751.52 |
| | 2021 | 1,659.45 | | | 1,659.45 | | | | 1,659.45 |
| | 2020 | 84.97 | | | 84.97 | | | | 84.97 |
| TOTAL | 2015 | 0.00 | | | 0.00 | | | | 0.00 |
| MOTOR VEHICLE | | 3,579.62 | 89,881.65 | 0.00 | 93,461.27 | 0.00 | 88,886.28 | 0.00 | 4,574.99 |
| | 2025 | | 146,545.79 | | 146,545.79 | | 119,555.70 | | 26,990.09 |
| | 2024 | 27,110.66 | 17,837.57 | | 44,948.23 | 678.00 | 27,032.83 | | 17,237.40 |
| | 2023 | 7,270.03 | | | 7,270.03 | 57.28 | 3,156.91 | | 4,055.84 |
| | 2022 | 1,647.90 | | | 1,647.90 | | 653.89 | | 994.01 |
| | 2021 | 878.41 | | | 878.41 | | 133.42 | | 744.99 |
| | 2020 | 863.30 | | | 863.30 | | | | 863.30 |
| | 2019 | 276.25 | | | 276.25 | | | | 276.25 |
| | 2018 | 270.00 | | | 270.00 | | | | 270.00 |
| | 2017 | 720.00 | | | 720.00 | | | | 720.00 |
| | 2016 | 851.25 | | | 851.25 | | | | 851.25 |
| | 2015 | 310.00 | | | 310.00 | | | | 310.00 |
| | 2013 | 133.44 | | | 133.44 | | | | 133.44 |
| | 2012 | 56.25 | | | 56.25 | | | | 56.25 |
| | 2011 | 248.75 | | | 248.75 | | | | 248.75 |
| | 2010 | 146.56 | | | 146.56 | | | | 146.56 |
| | 2009 | 131.25 | | | 131.25 | | | | 131.25 |
| TOTAL | 2008 | 114.06 | | | 114.06 | | | | 114.06 |
| | 2007 | 157.50 | | | 157.50 | | | | 157.50 |
| | | 41,185.61 | 164,383.36 | 0.00 | 205,568.97 | 735.28 | 150,532.75 | 0.00 | 54,300.94 |
| | | | 5,974.22 | | | Collector's Fees | | 590.00 | |
| | | | 540.00 | | | Deputy Collector Fees | | 324.00 | |
| | | | | | | Int. on Checking | | 416.99 | |
| | | | | | | Total turnovers | | 1,639,382.57 | |

TOWN OF SAVOY

June 30, 2025

| | Governmental Fund Types | | | Fiduciary Fund Types | Totals (Memorandum Only) |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | General | Special Revenue | Capital Projects | Trust and Agency | |
| <u>ASSETS</u> | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 360,870.27 | 417,683.22 | 126,033.25 | 497,821.56 | 1,402,408.30 |
| Investments | | | | | 0.00 |
| Receivables: | | | | | |
| Personal property taxes | 3,021.81 | | | | 3,021.81 |
| Real estate taxes | 181,213.20 | | | | 181,213.20 |
| Allowance for abatements and exemptions | (78,087.62) | | | | (78,087.62) |
| Tax liens | 113,861.61 | | | | 113,861.61 |
| Motor vehicle excise | 49,965.48 | | | | 49,965.48 |
| Due from other governments | | | 435,043.70 | | 435,043.70 |
| Foreclosures/Possessions | 10,567.52 | | | | 10,567.52 |
| Total Assets | <u>641,412.27</u> | <u>417,683.22</u> | <u>561,076.95</u> | <u>497,821.56</u> | <u>2,117,994.00</u> |
| <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u> | | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | | |
| Warrants payable | 65,454.29 | 11,369.86 | | 60.00 | 76,884.15 |
| Accrued payroll | 65,294.86 | | | | 65,294.86 |
| Withholdings | (16,315.01) | | | | (16,315.01) |
| Other liabilities | (21,490.52) | | | | (21,490.52) |
| Deferred revenue: | | | | | |
| Real and personal property taxes | 106,147.39 | | | | 106,147.39 |
| Tax liens | 113,861.61 | | | | 113,861.61 |
| Foreclosures/Possessions | 10,567.52 | | | | 10,567.52 |
| Motor vehicle excise | 49,965.48 | | | | 49,965.48 |
| Due from other governments | | | 435,043.70 | | 435,043.70 |
| Agency Funds | | | | 26,044.00 | 26,044.00 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>373,485.62</u> | <u>11,369.86</u> | <u>435,043.70</u> | <u>26,104.00</u> | <u>846,003.18</u> |
| Fund Equity: | | | | | |
| Reserved for encumbrances | 12,000.00 | | | | 12,000.00 |
| Reserved for continuing appropriations | 66,759.91 | | | | 66,759.91 |
| Reserved for appropriation deficit | (56,020.87) | | | | (56,020.87) |
| Reserved for snow and ice deficit | (44,823.18) | | | | (44,823.18) |
| Unreserved retained earnings | 290,010.79 | 406,313.36 | 126,033.25 | 471,717.56 | 1,294,074.96 |
| Total Fund Equity | <u>267,926.65</u> | <u>406,313.36</u> | <u>126,033.25</u> | <u>471,717.56</u> | <u>1,271,990.82</u> |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Equity | <u>641,412.27</u> | <u>417,683.22</u> | <u>561,076.95</u> | <u>497,821.56</u> | <u>2,117,994.00</u> |

GENERAL FUND REVENUE RECEIVED 2025

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| Personal Property | \$ | 88,886.28 |
| Real Estate Prior to 2025 | \$ | 36,548.97 |
| Real Estate 2025 | \$ | 1,350,910.72 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Prior to 2023 | \$ | 787.31 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise 2023 | \$ | 2,685.09 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise 2024 | \$ | 25,897.07 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise 2025 | \$ | 119,555.70 |
| Penalties & Interest Property Tax | \$ | 5,178.49 |
| Penalties & Interest Excise Tax | \$ | 795.73 |
| Tax Liens & Penalties & Interest | \$ | 16,233.59 |
| Payment in Lieu of Taxes | \$ | 591.00 |
| Department Fees | \$ | 16,335.00 |
| Licenses | \$ | 503.75 |
| Permits | \$ | 6,239.54 |
| State Aid | \$ | 302,755.75 |
| School State Aid | \$ | 569,589.00 |
| Room Tax | \$ | 701.94 |
| Fines & Forfeitures | \$ | 395.00 |
| Investment Income | \$ | 13,995.07 |
| Miscellaneous | \$ | 42,934.36 |
| Transfers From Other Funds | \$ | 110,000.00 |
| TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE | \$ | 2,711,519.36 |

**GENERAL FUND
EXPENSES**

| TOWN | FINAL BUDGET | EXPENSES | CARRIED | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | | | FORWARD FISCAL 2026 | CLOSED SURPLUS |
| Moderator | \$ 350.00 | \$ 250.00 | | \$ 100.00 |
| Select Board | \$ 38,020.00 | \$ 36,153.95 | \$ 397.69 | \$ 1,468.36 |
| Reserve Fund | \$ 6,900.00 | \$ - | | \$ 6,900.00 |
| Accounting | \$ 40,421.92 | \$ 31,411.20 | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 10.72 |
| Assessor | \$ 37,051.00 | \$ 16,393.00 | \$ 13,713.39 | \$ 6,944.61 |
| Treasurer | \$ 17,850.00 | \$ 17,515.68 | | \$ 334.32 |
| Collector | \$ 17,600.00 | \$ 14,583.16 | \$ 14.99 | \$ 3,001.85 |
| Legal | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 2,375.00 | | \$ 3,625.00 |
| Technology | \$ 8,000.00 | \$ 7,575.55 | \$ 1,037.82 | \$ (613.37) |
| Clerk | \$ 10,500.00 | \$ 10,301.53 | \$ 143.50 | \$ 54.97 |
| Conservation | \$ 750.00 | \$ - | | \$ 750.00 |
| Planning | \$ 1,062.84 | \$ 562.84 | | \$ 500.00 |
| Town Buildings | \$ 65,000.00 | \$ 58,438.32 | \$ 301.54 | \$ 6,260.14 |
| Police | \$ 23,493.45 | \$ 22,210.51 | | \$ 1,282.94 |
| Fire | \$ 28,860.00 | \$ 23,032.08 | \$ 5,599.67 | \$ 228.25 |
| Building | \$ 5,225.00 | \$ 3,425.00 | | \$ 1,800.00 |
| Animal Control | \$ 2,800.00 | \$ 255.95 | | \$ 2,544.05 |
| Smith Vocation | \$ 20,847.00 | \$ 20,847.00 | | \$ - |
| McCann School | \$ 185,737.00 | \$ 204,608.00 | \$ 1,750.00 | \$ (20,621.00) |
| Elementary School | \$ 987,025.88 | \$ 987,025.88 | | \$ - |
| Highway | \$ 465,202.27 | \$ 452,173.78 | | \$ 13,028.49 |
| Snow and Ice | \$ 120,000.00 | \$ 164,823.18 | | \$ (44,823.18) |
| Transfer Station | \$ 68,932.00 | \$ 51,546.68 | \$ 2,192.40 | \$ 15,192.92 |
| Cemeteries | \$ 2,300.00 | \$ - | | \$ 2,300.00 |
| Board of Health | \$ 9,810.00 | \$ 9,810.00 | | \$ - |
| Council on Aging | \$ 4,000.00 | \$ 4,000.00 | | \$ - |
| Veterans Service | \$ 23,750.00 | \$ 18,482.53 | | \$ 5,267.47 |
| Library | \$ 300.00 | \$ - | | \$ 300.00 |
| Town Park | \$ 1,500.00 | \$ 771.97 | | \$ 728.03 |
| Agriculture and Historical Commission | \$ 100.00 | \$ - | | \$ 100.00 |
| Debt | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ - | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Retirement | \$ 54,374.00 | \$ 54,374.00 | | \$ - |
| Workers Comp | \$ 14,563.58 | \$ 12,329.00 | | \$ 2,234.58 |
| Unemployment | \$ 6,400.00 | \$ 279.00 | | \$ 6,121.00 |
| Health Insurance | \$ 65,600.00 | \$ 65,599.01 | | \$ 0.99 |
| FICA/Medicare | \$ 13,600.00 | \$ 13,581.93 | | \$ 18.07 |
| Liability Insurance | \$ 61,000.00 | \$ 56,755.00 | | \$ 4,245.00 |
| Transfers | \$ 224,994.00 | \$ 224,994.00 | | \$ - |
| TOTAL TOWN GENERAL FUND | \$ 2,640,919.94 | \$ 2,586,484.73 | \$ 34,151.00 | \$ 20,284.21 |
| TOWN SPECIAL ARTICLES | | | | |
| Town Hall Improvements | \$ 8,360.80 | \$ 8,360.80 | | \$ - |
| Town Audit | \$ 9,000.00 | | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ - |
| Town Computer | \$ 12,000.00 | \$ 11,700.00 | \$ 300.00 | \$ - |
| Highway Truck | \$ 32,000.00 | \$ - | \$ 32,000.00 | \$ - |
| Electric Bill | \$ 1,080.00 | \$ 1,080.00 | | \$ - |
| Highway BRPC Expenses | \$ 9,920.00 | \$ 6,611.09 | \$ 3,308.91 | \$ - |
| Accounting Clean Up | \$ 45,000.00 | \$ 45,000.00 | | \$ - |
| Bridge Signage | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 | | \$ - |
| TOTAL TOWN SPECIAL ARTICLES | \$ 127,360.80 | \$ 82,751.89 | \$ 44,608.91 | \$ - |
| GENERAL FUND TOTAL EXPENSES | \$ 2,768,280.74 | \$ 2,669,236.62 | \$ 78,759.91 | \$ 20,284.21 |

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT | 8,493.00 |
| DONATION - VETERANS | 80.56 |
| DONATION - LIBRARY | 2,193.84 |
| DONATION - MEMORIAL DAY | 194.80 |
| DONATION - COA | 4,103.37 |
| DONATION - TOWN PARK | 493.58 |
| DONATION - SCHOOL | 2,219.28 |
| DONATION - HIGHWAY | 50.00 |
| DONATION - BUILDING | 490.11 |
| REVOLVING - BOH | 3,120.02 |
| REVOLVING - BUILDING INSPECTOR | 1,700.68 |
| REVOLVING - CONSERVATION | 2,229.21 |
| REVOLVING - WIRING INSPECTOR | 178.93 |
| REVOLVING - PLUMBING INSPECT | 1,632.00 |
| REVOLVING - TOWN CLERK | 79.23 |
| REVOLVING - SCHOOL ACTIVITIES | 295.47 |
| REVOLVING - AFTER SCHOOL | 15,718.71 |
| REVOLVING - PRE K | 2,428.86 |
| REVOLVING - OPIOD | 12,353.60 |
| REVOLVING - CIRCUIT BREAKER | 38,778.00 |
| REVOLVING - SUMMER CAMP | 5,252.65 |
| REVOLVING - DEMO | 5,746.00 |
| REVOLVING - MACHINE EQUIPMENT | 10,790.77 |
| REVOLVING - EARLY CHILDHOOD | 248.37 |
| SCHOOL - TITLE 1 | 0.00 |
| SCHOOL - TITLE 11A | 670.65 |
| SCHOOL - TITLE IV | 162.56 |
| SCHOOL - SPED 274 | 4,526.25 |
| SCHOOL - SPED 274 IMPROV | (1,916.75) |
| SCHOOL - SPED 240 | (8,101.35) |
| SCHOOL - SPED 262 | 1,389.55 |
| SCHOOL - IDEA | 1.00 |
| SCHOOL - SUMMER ACCELERATED | 2,009.72 |
| SCHOOL - ESSER | 0.00 |
| SCHOOL - STUDENT OPPORTUNITY | (300.00) |
| FEDERAL - ARPA | 64,818.19 |
| COMMUNITY COMPACT | 78,961.90 |
| ELECTION | 2,824.73 |
| MASS TECH COLABORATIVE | 4,874.68 |
| MEMA | 0.00 |

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| FIRE EMGY PREFORMANCE | (7,765.00) |
| SCHOOL CHOICE | 181,476.95 |
| SCHOOL REAP | 10,094.22 |
| SCHOOL RURAL AID | (3,176.66) |
| DPW WRAP | (2,278.01) |
| MASS WORKS | 0.00 |
| TRANSFER STATION RDP | 4,968.88 |
| COA FORMULA GRANT | 15,670.00 |
| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT | 1,129.11 |
| DER GRANT | (58,098.30) |
| DIVISION OF FIRE SERVICE | (10,500.00) |
| SMALL CITIES PROGRAM | 6,000.00 |
| TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS | \$ 406,313.36 |

CAPITAL PROJECTS

| | |
|------------|---------------|
| Chapter 90 | \$ 126,033.25 |
|------------|---------------|

STABILIZATION

| | | |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| Stabilization | 468,295.93 | 468,295.93 |
|---------------|------------|------------|

TRUST NON-EXPENDABLE & EXPENDABLE FUNDS

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Cemetery Trust Non-Expendable | 83.81 | |
| Cemetery Trust Expendable | 3,337.82 | 3,421.63 |

AGENCY

| | | |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Police Detail | \$ 15,411.70 | |
| Tax Collector Fees | \$ 1,793.50 | |
| Deputy Collector | \$ 2,143.74 | |
| State Fire Arms Permits | \$ 6,697.50 | |
| Other | \$ 57.56 | \$ 26,104.00 |

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| TOTAL TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS | | 497,821.56 |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------|

**Massachusetts Department of Revenue Division of Local Services
BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS - AUTOMATED TREASURER'S YEAR-END CASH REPORT**

Savoy , for the Year Ending Jun 30, 2025
(City, Town, County, District)

PART I: A. Cash and checks in office

B. Non - Interest Bearing Checking Accounts

| Collateral'd Y or N | Financial Institution | Purpose | Interest Rate | Balance | Sub - Total |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---------|------------------|---------|-------------|
| | | | N/A | | |
| | | | N/A | | |
| | | | N/A | | |
| | | | N/A | | |
| | | | N/A | | |
| | | | N/A | | \$0.00 |

C. Interest Bearing Checking Accounts

| Collateral'd Y or N | Financial Institution | Purpose | Interest Rate | Balance | Sub - Total |
|------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| | ACB | Old Vendor | | (1,369.88) | |
| | ACB | Vendor | | 2,341.30 | |
| | ACB | School | | 13,106.24 | |
| | Berkshire | Payroll | | (29,944.57) | |
| | Unibank | Unipay | | 950.09 | |
| | | | | | (\$14,916.82) |

D. Liquid Investments

| Collateral'd Y or N | Financial Institution | Purpose | Interest Rate | Balance | Sub - Total |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|--------------|
| | ACB | MM | | 654,724.60 | |
| | ACB | Depository | | 135,738.99 | |
| | Berkshire | Depository | | 4,565.01 | |
| | Berkshire | Depository | | 166,641.34 | |
| | Unibank | Bond Proceeds | | 113.14 | |
| | | | | | \$961,783.08 |

Note: Attach additional sheets if needed.

E. Term Investments

