

FY2027 PROPOSED BUDGET & TAX RATE



125,058	154,568	95,054	124,500
125,487	56,845	97,511	125,000
124,000	110,000	99,011	154,000
450	150,000	99,216	95,000
	35,000	101,090	154,200
		101,684	110,000
		101,962	89,000
			50,000
			700

INTRODUCTION

- The development of the budget begins with the Commissioners and Town Staff identifying and financing priority projects while maintaining the current level of services residents enjoy.
- This year we have several infrastructure projects including Streetscape, enclosures for Wells #2 & #3, paving projects, Westerly waterline replacements and a PFAS well consolidation treatment system. The funding for these projects mostly comes from general fund revenues, grants and this year a low-interest loan of \$2.8M.
- On the General Operations side, most expenditures have not increased; however, cost-of-living increases of 2.7% are included for employees.
- For the Water and Wastewater Operations, increases in chemical costs and salaries are projected. This fund operates as an enterprise fund with user fees supporting the expenditures.

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

The FY2027 proposed budget reflects an increase in the property tax rate from 0.1877 to 0.1901 per \$100 of assessment, which projected to generate an additional \$156,038 over FY2026.

The Town continues to receive 17% of the Income Tax generated; However, with the lack of population increases in the last two years and federal workforce layoffs, revenue projections remain flat.

Highway User Funds and Revenue Sharing projections are up slightly.

Total revenue is projected to be \$5,973,973

GENERAL FUND OVERVIEW

Revenue	\$5,973,973
Operating Expenses	\$4,249,088
Funding General Projects	\$865,000
Funding Water Wastewater Projects	\$845,500
Total Annual expenditures	\$5,959,588
Annual Balance	\$14,385

GENERAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES

Summary of Accounts	
Town Administration – <i>Meetings, Auditing, Printing, Communications, Community Events, Fair Access, Seniors and Grants</i>	\$470,600
Staff Salaries & Benefits	\$1,939,118
Municipal Buildings and Operations	\$174,000
Streets, Sidewalks and Storm Drains	\$265,000
Parks & Recreation	\$120,500
Municipal Services – <i>Trash Collection and Code Enforcement</i>	\$852,000
Legal, Elections & Engineering	\$179,000
Debt Service	\$248,870

GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS

- **\$865,000 Allocated Towards Projects.**

- Future Office Requirements/Website & Technology Upgrades
- Town Hall Maintenance, Historic Medley & Pole Banners
- Miscellaneous Parks Equipment, Mowers/Tractors – 7-year cycle
- Trucks – 10-year cycle
- Fisher Avenue Streetscape, Sidewalks, Pool Bubble, Whites Ferry and sidewalks
- Replacement Park Fund, Tot Lot Mulch, Steven's Park Lights, Halmos Park Basketball, Dog Park, Bouldering Park, Steven's Park Restroom, Elgin Park Pickleball Courts
- Accumulating funds for FY28 Paving Program

W & WW FUND OVERVIEW

Revenue	\$2,236,500*
Grant From General Fund	0
Operating Expenses	\$2,212,720
Fund Balance	\$23,780

* Includes a 2% Water Rate Increase

W&WW OPERATING EXPENSES \$2,212,720



Budget expenses
Administration



Electricity, chemicals,
maintenance, laboratory
expenses.....



Sludge hauling




Water testing



Salaries & Benefits

10 Wells, 6 sewage pump stations, 25 miles water & sewer lines, 2 storage tanks and a wastewater treatment plant.

W&WW CAPITAL PROJECTS \$845,500

- Equipment Replacements, Alpha Media, PFAS Remediation, Wellhouse Maintenance
 - WWTP Pump Replacements, Electrical Upgrades, WWTP Basin Cleaning, Generator, Storage Area, Facility Painting
 - Trucks 10-year cycle
 - Water Meters, Filter Press Belts, Chart Recorder, Traffic Control Equipment
 - Inflow and Infiltration Reduction
 - Emergency Repairs, Westerly Waterline Replacements, Well Development
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OVERALL BUDGET

- **Balanced**
- **Address the priorities of the Commissioners**
- **Adequate reserves fund**
- **Full document online poolesvillemd.gov**
- **Set Public Hearing April 6, 2026**



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- Questions??
 - Set Public Hearing – Budget & Tax Rate - Ordinance NO. 232