

## **Goals for 2026 Budget**

Provide residents quality services.

Treat employees and elected officials fairly.

\*Stay within the tax cap.

Have no increase in sewer EDU costs.

*\*If financially in the best interests of the Town and its residents.*

## **Calendar for 2026 Budget**

July 9, 2025	Proposed Goals and Calendar Presented to Board. Introduce Local Law to Exceed Tax Cap & Schedule Public Hearing in September
July 18, 2025	Budget Estimate Forms to Departments: Highway, Justice, Clerk, Code Enforcement, Assessor, Dog Control
August 15, 2025	Department Budget Requests Due to Supervisor's Office.
September 10, 2025	Budgets Presented to Board: A – General Fund Townwide, B – General Fund Outside Village, Fire Districts #1, 2, 3, 4, Sewer Budget, Highway DA & DB Funds
<b>September 30, 2025</b>	<b>Budget Officer Must File Tentative Budget with Town Clerk</b>
October 1, 2025	Review of Tentative Budget and Preparation of Preliminary Budget. If needed, pass Law to Exceed Tax Cap & do SEQRA
November 5, 2025	Public Hearing for Fire Contracts, EMS Contract, Sewer Rates and Adoption of Final Budget
<i>November 12, 2025</i>	<i>Back Up Date for Special Board Meeting Should Final Budget <b><u>Not</u></b> Be Adopted November 5, 2025</i>

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## **Town Law Budget Dates:**

<b>No Later Than</b> September 30	Budget Officer Must Prepare Exemption Impact Report and File Tentative Budget with Town Clerk
<b>No Later Than</b> October 5	Town Clerk Must Present Tentative Budget to the Board
<b>No Later Than</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Following Election Day in November</i>	Public Hearing* for Preliminary Budget
<b>No Later Than</b> November 7	Fire Districts Must File Budget with Town Clerk ( <i>Ouaquaga</i> )
<b>No Later Than</b> November 20	Final Budget Must Be Adopted

*\*Public Hearing Notice Must Publish 5 days prior to hearing must have time, place, purpose, salaries of elected officials & that copies are available*