

BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF WELDON, NORTH CAROLINA
Fiscal Year 2021-2022

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Weldon, North Carolina:

Section 1: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the **General Fund** for the operation of the Town government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the Town:

Governing body	\$ 18,494
General administration	177,168
Financial operations	123,124
Police department	624,242
Powell Bill	42,939
Street department	473,438
Culture and recreation	11,050
Transfer to Library Fund	12,649
Transfer to Fire District Fund	<u>231,925</u>
Total Appropriations	\$ <u>1,715,029</u>

Section 2: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the **General Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022:

Current year's real property taxes	\$ 496,271
Current year's motor vehicle taxes and fees	85,229
Prior years' real property taxes	30,400
Penalties and interest on real property and motor vehicle taxes	9,000
Refuse collection fee	125,132
Less 2% charge to collect taxes and fees, plus tax refunds	(13,735)
Lease and purchase payments for Town property	45,800
Code enforcement revenues	20,300
Police department revenues	4,900
Cultural and recreation revenues	8,100
Utility franchise tax	108,181
Alcohol beverage tax	6,600
Powell Bill allocation	42,939
Solid waste disposal tax	1,112
Local option sales tax	271,369
Interest on investments	636
ABC revenue local	11,000
Miscellaneous revenues	3,500
Transfer from water and sewer fund	20,766
Fund balance appropriated	<u>437,529</u>
Total Estimated Revenues	\$ <u>1,715,029</u>

Section 3: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the **Water and Sewer Fund** for the operation of the water and sewer utilities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore approved for the Town:

Water operations department	\$	955,291
Sewer operations department		659,643
Transfers to General Fund		20,766
Transfer to water capital reserve		10,000
Transfer to sewer capital reserve		10,000
Water contingency appropriation		63,000
Sewer contingency appropriation		<u>68,439</u>
Total Appropriations	\$	<u><u>1,787,139</u></u>

Section 4: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the **Water and Sewer Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022:

Water charges Weldon	\$	224,000
Water charges Halifax County		589,574
Water charges Northampton County		101,000
Sewer charges Weldon		163,000
Sewer charges Halifax County		201,000
Sewer charges Northampton County		445,000
Sewer charges Town of Halifax		49,912
Penalties		10,000
Miscellaneous revenues		3,600
Interest on investments		<u>53</u>
Total Estimated Revenues	\$	<u><u>1,787,139</u></u>

Section 5: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the **Fire District Fund** for the operation of the fire department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore approved for the Town:

Fire department operations	\$	387,036
Contingency appropriation		<u>7,669</u>
Total Appropriations	\$	<u><u>394,705</u></u>

Section 6: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the **Fire District Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022:

Real property taxes	\$	124,667
Motor vehicle taxes		11,013
Less tax refunds and 2% collection fee		(1,000)
Local option sales tax		21,000

Halifax County donation	7,000
Miscellaneous revenue	100
Transfer from General Fund	<u>231,925</u>
Total Estimated Revenues	\$ <u>394,705</u>

Section 7: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the **Cemetery Fund** for the operation of the cemeteries for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore approved for the Town:

Cemetery operations	\$ 23,500
Contingency appropriation	<u>4,500</u>
Total Appropriations	\$ <u>28,000</u>

Section 8: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the **Cemetery Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022:

Sale of lots	\$ 8,000
Opening and closing fees	<u>20,000</u>
Total Estimated Revenues	\$ <u>28,000</u>

Section 9: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the **Library Fund** for the operation of the library building for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore approved for the Town:

Library building maintenance and operation	\$ <u>12,649</u>
Total Appropriations	\$ <u>12,649</u>

Section 10: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the **Library Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022:

Transfer from General Fund	\$ <u>12,649</u>
Total Estimated Revenues	\$ <u>12,649</u>

Grand Total Appropriations	\$ 3,937,522
Grand Total Revenues	\$ 3,937,522

Section 11: There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of seventy-two cents (\$0.72) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of real property and motor vehicles as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2021, for the purpose of raising the revenue listed “Current year’s real property taxes” and “Current year’s motor vehicle taxes” in the General Fund in Section 2 of this ordinance.

This levy is based on a total valuation of property for the purposes of taxation of \$74,114,555 and an estimated rate of collection of 93%. The estimated rate of collection is based on the most recent complete fiscal year collection rate.

With regard to the 2021-22 tax rate for the Fire District Fund, the Town of Weldon has requested and the Halifax County Commissioners have approved a rate of \$.09 per \$100 valuation on real and personal property as well as motor vehicles.

Section 12: In addition to the tax rates specified in Section 11, the following rates and fees are authorized for the 2021-2022 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022:

- Maintain the annual solid waste collection fee at \$195 per parcel containing a building
- Maintain the annual motor vehicle fee of \$10 per motor vehicle
- Maintain in-town residential and commercial water rates at \$2.10 per 1,000 gallons
- Maintain in-town residential and commercial sewer rates at \$2.10 per 1,000 gallons
- Maintain out-of-town residential water and sewer rates at \$3.02 per 1,000 gallons
- Maintain out-of-town commercial water and sewer rates at \$3.92 per 1,000 gallons
- Maintain bulk water rate at \$2.10 per 1,000 gallons
- Maintain bulk sewer rate at \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons

Section 13: In addition to salary, the Town of Weldon pays the cost of health insurance, dental insurance, and life insurance (\$20,000) for full time employees. In addition full time employees receive paid holiday, annual, and sick leave. Employees who work in excess of 1,000 hours annually are required to be enrolled in the NC Local Government Employees Retirement System. All employees, both full time and part time, who worked the entire year, June 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, will receive a 1.13% increase in salary or hourly wage effective July 1, 2021, unless the employee is already being paid the maximum or greater salary or wage for which they qualify according to the Town of Weldon's salary schedule.

Section 14: The Budget Officer is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations between objects of expenditure within a department without limitation and without a report being required. These transfers must not result in increases in recurring obligations such as salaries. The Budget Officer may not transfer any funds from any contingency appropriation.

Section 15: The Town Administrator is hereby authorized to execute agreements and contracts and authorize purchases, within funds included in the Budget Ordinance, for the following purposes: (1) Enter into grant agreements with public and non-profit organizations; (2) Lease normal and routine business equipment where the annual cost of each lease is not more than \$20,000; (3) Secure consultant, professional or maintenance services where the annual compensation of each is not more than \$20,000; (4) Purchase apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment where formal bids are not required by law; (5) Enter into agreements for acceptance of State, Federal, public, and non-profit organization grant funds, and funds from other governmental units for services to be rendered; (6) Undertake construction or repair work where formal bids are not required by law; and (7) Secure liability, health, life, disability, casualty, property or other insurance and retention and faithful performance bonds. With approval of the Town Administrator, other appropriate Town officials are also authorized to execute or approve such insurance and bond undertakings as provided by law. The Town Administrator or his designee is hereby authorized to transfer up to \$1,000 between departments, including contingency appropriations, within the same fund with an official report of such transfers at the

next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners. All transfers between funds require prior approval by the Board of Commissioners in an amendment to the Budget Ordinance.

Section 16: Copies of this Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and to the Budget Officer and Finance Officer to be kept on file by them for their direction in the disbursement of funds.

Adopted this 28th day of June, 2021.

Julia M. Meacham, Mayor

Shanelle B. Harris, Clerk