



Town of North Kingstown

Rhode Island

No. 18

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December 8, 2014

At the Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of North Kingstown held on
December 8, 2014, it was

VOTED: The Town Council hereby adopts the following budget policies and procedures regarding the preparation of the Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Town Budget:

- All budgets submitted for consideration must be prepared on the zero-based budgeting method.
- All activities and proposed expenditures must be examined to identify activities which do not add value, to identify redundant functions between the Town and School and to identify areas for shared or consolidated functions/services. The Town Council will consider any and all shared services opportunities with surrounding communities and the School Department as such opportunities present themselves.
- In order to allow adequate time to prepare a budget which meets the Town Council's spending increase limitations, the Town Manager and School Department shall present the following alternative budgets:
 - a 4% increase over FY2014; and
 - a 2% increase over FY2014; and
 - a 0% increase over FY2014.

When budgeting for expenses related to new services or functions that are revenue producing, the Town Manager may recommend that those expenses be excluded from the calculation of the spending cap.

- Requests for funding beyond the Town Council's established spending cap may be considered provided there is a documented critical need that cannot be met otherwise.

Jeannette Alyward
Town Clerk