

*Town of Otis*  
**Select Board/ Finance Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Town Hall Conference Room**

**1 North Main Road, Otis, MA 01253**

**Friday, Mar 27, 2026, at 9:00 AM**

This meeting will be held in person at the location provided on this notice. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

**Attendance:** Gary Thomas-Chair, Larry Southard, Terry Gould, Brandi Page, Lisa D’Orazio, Sue Brofman and Ross Knowles.

**Call to Order:** 9:02 AM

**Budget Discussion:** The Board pickup up where they left off discussing the remaining department budgets. The school number had been voted on and was plugged in. There was lengthy discussion on final salary amounts which resulted in tentative agreement on a 7% COLA across the Board. Brandi would need to plug in all the final figures and double check the spreadsheet. Animal control was bumped in anticipation of a shared service being discussed. The group then went through the Capital requests. It was agreed the tahoe, Town Hall roof, sewer extension, OPEB, highway truck and paving were all higher priority. There was agreement on funding these with available free cash. This would keep over 500,000 in free cash for reserves. Last Brandi went through the tax rate scenario. There was discussion on an article to start raising money for a highway garage. Based on what is agreed to move forward Brandi is going to double check all of the figures and send final sheets for review.

**Adjournment:** 11:45 AM