NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
2026-2027 BUDGET PROPOSAL
TOWN OF CHILHOWIE, VIRGINIA

Pursuant to Section 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, Council for the Town of Chilhowie will conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2026-2027 Town Budget beginning at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 11, 2026 in Council Chambers, 325 East Lee Highway, Chilhowie, Virginia.

This synopsis is published for information and planning purposes only and will serve as a guide to earmark expenditures and allocate revenues. The proposed budget in no way obligates the Town of Chilhowie to any expenditure. Any citizen is invited to attend the public hearing on the budget proposal and state their views thereon. A copy of the proposed budget is on file and may be examined in the office of the Clerk located in the Municipal Building, 325 East Lee Highway, Chilhowie, Virginia 24319.

By Order Of the Chilhowie Town Council – J. Brian Martin., Town Manager

Estimated Revenues	
Property Tax	$ 543,462
Business License Tax	180,000
Bank Stock Tax	50,000
Utility Tax	105,000
Communication Tax	25,000
Consumption Tax	9,000
Sales Tax	95,000
Meals Tax	905,000
Cigarette Tax	165,000
Other Taxes	51,700
Fines	88,000
Law Enforcement Funds	96,308
Rolling Stock Tax	3,500
Miscellaneous	22,028
Garbage	177,656
Recreation	50,000
Building Inspection	1,500
Snow Removal	15,000
Water Billing, Penalties, Fees, Connections	2,151,077
Fire Protection Hydrant Replacement	26,500
Sewer Billing, Penalties, Fees, Connections	1,032,923
Smyth County Sewer Reimbursement	275,000
Fire/EMS Billing	555,000
Fire/EMS Grants	32,640
Smyth County Contribution Fire/EMS	600,000
Smyth County Training Center	13,190
Sale of Equipment	0
SNAP – Farmer's Market	300
Revenues	**$ 7,269,784**

Proposed Expenditures	
Administration Wages, Fringe	$ 464,867
Contract Services	60,000
Community Development	73,000
Building Inspection	1,000
Operations, Utilities	359,268
Capital Outlay	500
Wellness & Parks Wages, Fringe	76,782
Operations	60,125
Capital Outlay	6,800
Building & Grounds Wages, Fringe	275,178
Operations, Utilities	192,199
Capital Outlay	0
Garbage	196,875
Public Safety Wages, Fringe	755,945
Operations	239,478
Capital Outlay	0
Water Wages, Fringe	823,971
Operations, Utilities	471,487
Fire Protection Hydrant Replacement	26,500
Debt Service	409,598
Capital Outlay	94,378
Sewer Wages, Fringe	396,029
Operations, Utilities	373,605
Debt Service	374,145
Capital Outlay	40,000
Fire/EMS Wages, Fringe	990,726
Operations, Supplies-Fire/EMS	348,611
Capital Outlay	7,900
Fire/Rescue Academy	10,890
Debt Service	139,927
SNAP – Vendor Payment	0
Expenditures	**$ 7,269,784**

NOTE: This budget includes:
- Outside Corporation Water Rate Increase 9%
- Inside Corporation Water Rate Increase 9%
- Outside Corporation Sewer Rate Increase 9%
- Inside Corporation Sewer Rate Increase 9%
- Utility Deposit from $50 to $100
- Garbage Rate Increase 8%
- Real Estate Tax Rate Increase from $0.17 to $0.19 per $100

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