

Roxanne Maher

From: Jessica Buhle
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2026 4:23 PM
To: Tracy Phillips
Cc: Roxanne Maher
Subject: Re: Budget work sessions

Good afternoon Tracy,

Thank you for your recommendation and suggestion regarding scheduling budget work sessions outside of business hours. Because the budget work sessions involve several town employees (each department head presenting their budget), all budget workshops have always been scheduled during regular workdays. In prior years, workshops began as early as noon, but we have moved them all to a 2 P.M. start this year.

All workshops are already scheduled for this year, but I will keep your input in mind when planning for next year and accommodate later start times if possible. Thank you for remaining engaged and involved in our town.

Best,

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Finance Committee Chairman

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> On Mar 6, 2026, at 4:10 PM, Tracy Phillips <tracybphillips74@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hello,

> As I continue to see and hear more and more requests for citizen engagement, involvement and input on the budget, I was wondering if there has been any discussion around making at least one of the work sessions outside of core business hours. With them all occurring from 2:00-4:30PM, a large percentage of voters are unable to attend/participate. I fear you'll only be getting 'citizen input' from a limited demographic.

> Thank you,

> Tracy Phillips

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