

## Virtual Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2020

Present: Doon Hinderyckx, Pat Harvey, Frank Severy

Guests: Julie Smith, Rebecca Klein, Kristen LaPell and Martha Slater, Nancy Woolley and Orca Media

Doon called the meeting at 9:02 am

Doon read the State statute guidelines for holding a proper meeting electronically and confirmed the open meeting law conformity.

**Approve Education Tax Rate:** Pat noted the Nonhomestead Tax Rate was listed as \$1.4815 and the Homestead Tax Rate is \$1.5155

Martha asked if this rate is set by the State. The rate is set by the Vermont Department of Taxes.

Becky noted the final municipal tax rate is 0.5768.

Board approved the tax rate of 0.5768494 for fiscal year '21.

Julie noted that the other important piece before printing the tax bills, is asking the selectboard if they would waive the penalty the town would impose on late filings of the homestead declaration (HS-122) form. Doon noted in consideration of the awkwardness of the late bills and waiting for the education rate he moved to waive the penalties. Pat seconded. All in favor. So, voted.

The three due dates for the 2020-2021 tax bills will be October 27, 2020, February 16, 2021 & May 17, 2021. If a payment is missed on the October 27, 2020 and/or February 16, 2021 payments there will be a 1% interest due. Payment missed on the May 17, 2021 would result in a 1% interest as well as an 8% penalty due.

Doon moved to approve the Final Tax Rate of 0.5768494. Pat seconded. All in favor. So, voted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 am

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Smith