

SELECT BOARD

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Notice of Meeting
November 16, 2022
6:00 PM
Hybrid Meeting
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Board Members
Michael Merolli, Chair
Lawney Tinio, Vice-Chair
Alejna Brugos
Brendan Chenelle
Michael Goddard

Meeting Minutes

At 6PM a regular Select Board was called to order. Present: Mike Merolli, Lawny Tinio, Alejna Brugos, Brendan Chenelle, Michael Goddard, Kim Newman and Laura St.John-Dupuis

Conduct Property Tax Classification Hearing

Mr. Tinio read the public hearing notice.

The Mendon Select Board will hold a hearing on Property Tax Classification, Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 6:00 PM. There will be several policy decision alternatives discussed by those present before the Select Board determine the guidelines to be established for allocating the percentage of the tax burden for residential, commercial, industrial and personal property. Oral testimony may be given at the hearing but will be limited to three minutes per taxpayer.

Mr. Tinio made a motion to open the FY23 Property Tax Classification Hearing. Second by Mr. Chenelle. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Kevin Rudden, Board of Assessors and Principal Assessor Ms. Jean Berthold, presented the Tax Recap for the Board to consider. See attached.

Mr. Tinio made a motion to close the FY23 Property Tax Classification Hearing. Second by Mr. Goddard. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Tinio made a motion to adopt a single Tax Rate for the Town of Mendon in FY23. Second by Mr. Goddard. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Tinio made a motion to not adopt a Residential Exemption for FY23. Second by Mr. Goddard. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Tinio made a motion not to adopt a Small Commercial Exemption for FY23. Second by Mr. Goddard. The motion passed unanimously.

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Award RFP for Town Hall Main Floor Renovation

Ms. Newman stated that we have received quotes within \$40K to \$50K, we should repost on commbuys and asked the Select Board how they would like to proceed. Ms. Newman stated that we need to have walkthrough. Mr. Merolli asked if anyone has contacted Ms. Newman to schedule a walkthrough appointment. Ms. Newman stated yest but was unable to schedule this as the Town Hall was closed due to the well failure. The Board would like to readvertise the RFP.

Mr. Merolli asked if there was an update on the water being fully functional at the Town Hall, Ms. Newman stated no, we are still unable to use the water to drink or wash hands and this could go on for some time.

Discuss Upcoming Meeting Dates

The Select Board will meet again on 12/5 and 12/21.

Executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares – Mendon Police Association & Highway Department Union Local 272.

Mr. Merolli made a motion to enter into Executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigation position of the public body. Mendon Police Association & Highway Department Union Local 272. Second by Mr. Tinio. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote: Merolli-Aye, Tinio-Aye, Brugos-Aye, Chenelle-Aye

Adjournment

Mr. Tinio made a motion to adjourn. Second by Mr. Goddard. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by- Laura St. John-Dupuis