

Minutes of Meeting – November 30, 2021; meeting called to order at 6:00pm. Present: Marybeth Mitts; Warren Archey; Ed Lane; Dave Roche. Absent: Neal Maxymillian.

Announcements: MM congratulated the students that won the Youth Film Challenge.

MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to approve the Minutes of November 17. 4/0 vote.

Citizens Open Forum: None.

Consent Agenda: MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to accept a donation to the Fire Department. 4/0 vote.

FY22 Tax Classification Hearing: MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to open the public hearing. 4/0 vote. Board of Assessor Chairman Tom Romeo gave a brief overview of assessments, and stated that residential is increasing faster than commercial. The TM stated that it is the responsibility of the Selectmen to set a residential factor so that the tax rate can then be set. He gave a brief power point presentation showing scenarios that would maintain the historic residential factor and another that would shift the tax burden of the current split rate more toward the commercial/industrial sector with the average residential tax bill increasing \$99 and the average commercial/industrial tax bill rising \$395. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to close the public hearing. 4/0 vote. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to adopt a residential factor of 0.950 for the purposes of determining the Fiscal 2022 tax rate. 4/0 vote. MM brought up the need to consider residential exemptions in the near future which the other board members concurred with.

New Business/Liaison Reports: MM mentioned that the Affordable Trust plans to hold the sale of the houses in the new year as they work with the Housing and Community Development office on some outstanding issues.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33pm.

Minutes Taken By: _____	Minutes Accepted By: _____
Mary Ellen Deming	Clerk
Director of Administrative Services	Board of Selectmen