

Meeting of the Waterbury Select Board
July 3rd, 2017
Steele Community Room ~ 28 North Main Street

Present: C. Viens, M. Metayer, M. Frier, Select Board; W. Shepeluk, Municipal Manager; and C. Lawrence, Town Clerk.

Public: None.

The meeting was called to order at 8:02am.

APPROVE AGENDA

M. Metayer made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by M. Frier and passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

M. Frier made a motion to approve the consent agenda items, including the minutes of the June 19th meeting. The motion was seconded by M. Metayer and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC

There was no public comment.

SET MUNICIPAL TAX RATE FOR 2017

W. Shepeluk reported that there was a 1% increase expected in the grand list and the actual increase was 1.35%, for a total grand list of \$7,418,202. The education tax rates decreased for both the Homestead and Non-residential due to the Act 46 school consolidation. The amount of taxes that needs to be raised is \$3,325,620. The Manager originally recommended at 45 cent tax rate, but due to an unexpected significant increase in the estimate PILOT payment, he recommended a 44 cent tax rate.

C. Viens suggested that the tax rate remain at 45 cents, and any excess funds be dedicated towards the paving CIP. W. Shepeluk responded that any additional spending would have to be approved by the voters at the next annual meeting. M. Frier made a motion to approve the tax rate for 2017 at 45 cents per \$100 of assessed value. The motion was seconded by M. Metayer. M. Metayer asked if the Board should identify the excess revenue as dedicated to paving. W. Shepeluk suggested that as a Board, they keep it in mind when starting budget discussions later in the year. The motion passed unanimously.

M. Metayer made a motion to approve the Homestead and Non-residential tax rates as directed by the State at \$1.5473 and \$1.5298 respectively. The motion was seconded by M. Frier and passed unanimously.

LETTER OF INTEREST FOR MUNICIPAL ROAD GRANT

The Agency of Natural Resources is working in conjunction with the Agency of Transportation on a grant to be administered by the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission. Waterbury has 25 to 30 miles of roads directly connected to tributaries of the Winooski River. The grant is in the amount of \$9,200 with a \$1,840 match, for a total of \$11,040. W. Shepeluk explained that the Town already has projects eligible for grant money so there is no reason not to move forward with the letter of interest. M. Frier made a motion to sign the letter of interest to participate in the Municipal Road Grant Program. The motion was seconded by M. Metayer and passed unanimously.

There being no further Select Board business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Lawrence, Town Clerk

Approved on: July 10, 2017