

Town of Westminster
Special Selectboard Meeting

July 21, 2016

Selectboard Members Present: K. Sheldon Beebe (Chair), Craig Allen (Vice Chair), and Nancy Dalzell

Others Present: Russell Hodgkins (Town Manager), Mark Lund (Road Foreman), Alison Bigwood, Janice Wojcek, and Kevin Hughes

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m. by the Chair, Sheldon Beebe
2. **Adjustments to Agenda:** None
3. **Unfinished Business (Discussion Action):** None
4. **New Business (Discussion/Action):**
 - A. **Vote & Sign New Tax Rate for FY17:** Craig Allen asked what the difference was between last year's rate and this one being proposed. The TM answered 10 cents on the Homestead rate and .0862 cents on the non-residential rate. Nancy Dalzell asked what the "Local Agreement is and Alison Bigwood responded that this is the Veteran's exemption which has a maximum discount of \$40,000 which was set by the Town a couple of years ago. Craig Allen made a motion to accept the new tax rate as follows: Homestead = \$2.2425 and Non-Resident = \$2.1498. Nancy Dalzell seconded the motion and the motion passed.
5. **Other Business:** The Town Manager wanted to talk about the need for replacing our 6 wheeler dump truck with a 10 wheeler dump truck. Discussion about the pros and cons of a bigger truck were discussed and the verdict was the larger truck would make sense in the fact that we are trucking farther for our gravels, sands and stone. The TM mentioned that the excavator that the Town is leasing was extended another month. More work is needed and this machine is making a huge difference in production. The data requested about owning this machine vs. leasing will be discussed at the next meeting.
6. **Date of next meeting:** August 10th - the regularly scheduled meeting.
7. **Adjournment:** Nancy Dalzell made a motion to adjourn @ 1:50 PM. Craig Allen seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Signature of Clerk

Date