

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

NOVEMBER 12, 2020

MEMORIAL BUILDING

9:00 A.M.

The following are to be considered draft minutes until approved by the Board.

On Tuesday, the Town received preliminary tax rate documents from the NH Department of Revenue. Wednesday, November 11, 2020 the office was closed for Veteran's Day, so this urgent meeting was scheduled for this morning.

Present: Chair Tamara Butcher, Dick Hendl and George McCusker.

Dick ran a couple of different scenarios for the municipal rate, including using funds from the unreserved fund balance to offset the tax rate. The Board settled on using \$49,600 from the fund balance with an estimated municipal rate around \$3.83. The 2019 municipal rate was \$4.33. The Board voted unanimously to appropriate the \$49,600 from fund balance to offset taxes, and to present this to the Department of Revenue. The DRA will send a final approved rate before tax bills can be printed. Tax bills most likely will be sent out sometime next week and will be due at least 30 days later.

Dick will take care of purchasing turkeys for Town Employees.

Tamara stated there are some outside lights on the "people" doors of the fire station that are not working. Janet was asked to get in touch with an electrician. The Fire Department has talked about making improvements to the exterior lighting, considering the use of the building for recent elections and the building being an emergency shelter. Tamara stated Eversource may be involved in doing lighting appraisals of commercial buildings and that may be something the Town wants to consider. She will get more information.

The Fire Department also discussed installing a dry hydrant in the location of the former fire station. The underground lines to the well next door still exist and it would be a matter of installing the hydrant.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Submitted by,

Janet Roberts,
Administrative Assistant