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Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF MEETING – OCTOBER 23, 2012

Present: Patricia D. Carlino, Chairman, Gordon D. Bailey and David J. Consolati, Board of Selectmen, Robert L. Nason, Town Administrator.

Chairman, Patricia D. Carlino, called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

1. **Public Hearing:** FY 2013 Tax Rate Classification – On Sept. 24, 2012, the Board of Assessors received approval of the assessed values by the Department of Revenue/Bureau of Local Assessment.

Last year's FY 2012 Total Taxable Value of the town was \$879,955,247. This year's FY 2013 Total Taxable value of the town is \$878,593,837 for a decrease in total town value of \$1,361,410. The average home value for FY 2012 is \$246,539 and the average home value for FY 2013 is \$245,947, for a decrease of \$592.00 for the average home. This year's new growth created \$12,516,910 in assessed value. This produced a FY 2013 increased taxable value of \$171,066. This year's tax levy, the amount of money to be raised through taxation is \$12,379,387.16. The Excess Levy capacity for FY 2013 is \$1,009,099.84. The purpose of a Classification Hearing is to decide if the town should have one tax rate or multiple tax rates.

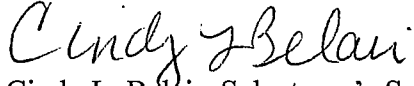
The recommendation of the Board of Assessors – This year's tax rate when approved by the Department of Revenue / Bureau of Accounts would be a .42 increase over last year's tax rate of \$13.67. The increase in the rate is a combination of lower values and the town's budget voted at town meeting. The Board of Assessors recommends a single tax rate of \$14.09 per thousand dollars of assessed value for all classes of property.

*The Board voted unanimously to accept the \$14.09 per thousand dollars of assessed value for all classes of property.*

2. **Disposition of surplus public works vehicle:** Mr. Nason presented a letter from Christopher Pompei, seeking the Board's written approval for the disposition of town property; a 1988 Ford F-350 truck with 69,200 miles on the odometer. The process for this disposition includes an advertisement in the Berkshire Eagle to request public bids. All bids will be closed on the date listed in the ad and the highest bid will be selected. *The Board voted unanimously to allow the 1988 Ford F-350 truck to go out to bid*

3. **Town Administrator:** - Bob Nason presented to the Board a sign for a canoe launch at the Lee Athletic Field and there were no objections.
4. **Next Regular Meeting:** The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2012 at 7:00 PM.
5. **Motion to Adjourn:** The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy L. Belair, Selectmen's Secretary

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Town Clerk  
Town Collector  
Planning Board

Board of Assessors  
Board of Health  
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Police Chief  
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Dept. of Public Works  
Town Treasurer  
Town Reps. District Chairmen  
Superintendent of Schools  
Town Accountant