

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING SEPTEMBER 11, 2013 WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Board of Selectmen Members.

Members present: Ray Bates, Dan Gordon and Ronnie Brann. Rick Gray Jr. arrived at 6:07 p.m. and Jonathan Adams was absent.

Employee's Attending: Theresa Haskell, (Town Manager).

Public Attending: Tom Reed and Dick Avery.

Ray Bates called the Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment:** Dick Avery said the vinyl jam door comes as a package compared to solid steel door that will need to be painted and we will need to buy a threshold, weather strip and door sweep.

Commitment of 2014 Real Estate Taxes: Ronnie Brann made a motion to recess as Board of Selectmen and convene as Board of Assessors at 6:12 p.m., seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0. Vern said after the school meeting we had in June, the increase for the Town of Windsor will go up over the next four years with the same increment. The original proposed budget was around a one mil increase. The budget passed yesterday by 20 votes. This lowered Windsor's share by approximately \$50,000.00 by what we received from the state. With all the extra value what you have in front of you are two different tax rate calculations. One would be 13.1 and the other is at 13.2 mil rate. We could have an overlay up to \$139,134.00 but the proposed amounts would be either \$82,168.42 at the 13.2 mil rate or \$60,465.01 at the 13.1 mil rate. It is up to you if you would like to see any other scenarios. Ronnie said he is o.k. with the 13.2 mil rate with an \$82,168 \$82,168.42 overlay because we may need this to help with next year. Rick agreed and said we still may need some road projects done. Ronnie Brann made a motion to have the Real Estate Tax Rate to be 13.2 mils on a total taxable valuation of \$213,579,900.00 and to sign the commitment papers as prepared by the Assessor's Agent, seconded by Rick Gray and approved 4-0-0. Ronnie Brann made a motion to adjourn as Board of Assessors and reconvene as Board of Selectmen at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Dan Gordon and approved 4-0-0.

**Selectmen's Items:** Ray Bates said he would like the Board of Selectmen to look at the insert that would be put within the tax bills. The Board of Selectmen suggested just having this: "LOOK FOR MONTHLY NEWS ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE INCLUDING "THE HUB" AT <a href="https://www.windsor.maine.gov!!">www.windsor.maine.gov!!"</a>

Ray Bates declared this meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

The next regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be on September 24, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Selectmen on <u>September 24, 2013</u> with the following amendments <u>Correcting dollar amount on page 1 under Commitment of 2014 Real</u> <u>Estate Taxes.</u>

Respectfully submitted by;

Theresa L. Haskell. Town Manager Town of Windsor