

TOWN OF WOODFORD, VT
SELECT BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 28, 2014 UNAPPROVED
WOODFORD TOWN HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ryan Thurber, Steve Wright and Mike Charette

ALSO PRESENT: Betty-Jean Charette, Avis Bruce-Hurley, Gail Rutkowski, Treasurer and Ron Higgins, Clerk

Chairman Thurber opened the meeting at 5:00 P.M.

GENERAL PUBLIC:

There were no issues presented from the general public.

SET TAX RATE:

After reviewing the “proposed tax rate” sheet provided by the Treasurer; the Town Clerk answering questions about the revenue portion as stated on the proposed tax rate sheet noting that the largest item PILT for \$66,000 has already been received. Select person Steven Wright commented on the school tax rate and the reality of the state determining how much each town has to pay for schools regardless of what the individual towns vote and approve for their school budgets. Ron mentioned that our school has a very low tax rate for student’s pre K through grade 6 but Mt Anthony middle school and high school caused our local rate to increase to the \$1.137. After a brief discussion, the following motion was made and accepted:

MOTION made by Ryan Thurber and seconded by Mike Charette to set the tax rate for the year 2014 as \$.115 for the Town general fund and \$.014 for the Highway fund. The total tax rate for the Town only will be: \$.156. ALL IN FAVOR, motion carried. School tax rates are determined by the state entirely; making the total tax rate for residents as \$1.287 and non-residents as \$1.516.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Avis mentioned that instead of keeping the gender neutral heading of “Board of Select Persons Meeting” we call the meetings “Select Board Meeting”. Ryan asked Ron for supplier who supplies signs

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 P.M.

Ron Higgins, CVC, CVT
Temporary Minutes Clerk