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Board of Selectmen  
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## Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 5, 2022

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85059646425>

Meeting ID: 850 5964 6425

Members Present: Julia N. Pingitore, Chair  
Kirk R. Huehls, Vice Chair  
Carol L. Riches, Clerk

Town Administrator: Heather M. Munroe, Town Administrator

Attendees: see Attendee List

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

### Classification Hearing

- **Kateri Clute**, Principal Assessor, present for the Annual Classification Hearing to set the tax rate for FY23. The presentation in its entirety can be obtain in the Select Board office.
- **Motion (KH) seconded (CR) to approve the use of Factor 1 to calculate the tax rate. Unanimous, all in favor. Roll call (CR) yes, (KH) yes, (JP) yes.**
- **Motion (KH) seconded (CR) that the Town will not provide a discount for Open Space. Unanimous, all in favor. Roll call (CR) yes, (KH) yes, (JP) yes.**
- **Motion (KH) seconded (CR) that the Town will not provide a discount for Residential Exemptions. Unanimous, all in favor. Roll call (CR) yes, (KH) yes, (JP) yes.**
- **Motion (KH) seconded (CR) that the Town will not provide a discount for Small Commercial Exemptions. Unanimous, all in favor. Roll call (CR) yes, (KH) yes, (JP) yes.**
- With these four items voted on a tax rate of \$17.58 was set.
- (CR) What was the average increase in house values?
- **Kateri Clute** The average increase overall was about 10%.
- (CR) I believe last year it was the smaller homes that took a hit?
- **Kateri Clute** Yes, but this year was more spread across the board. I can provide you with a comparison report that will show the changes.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- **David Bloom**, resident, What was last year's tax rate?
- **Kateri Clute** \$18.98.
- **Mark Love**, resident, What was last year's average value and tax bill?
- **Kateri Clute** Last years average value was \$367,171 and tax bill was \$6,968.
- **Mark Love** What is this year?

- **Kateri Clute** The average value is \$412,078 and tax bill \$7,253.
- **(HM)** We will put the classification hearing presentation on the website.

**ADJOURN**

- **Adjourned Meeting at 7:37pm, Unanimous all in favor. (KH) yes, (CR) yes, (JP) yes.**

The next meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2022, 7:00pm.

**Documents from the Meeting filed in Select Board office:**

Agenda

Attendance list

Town Administrators update

Meeting minutes

Classification Hearing Packet

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Graf-Parsons

Executive Assistant