

November 17, 2020 Board of Assessors VIRTUAL Meeting Minutes at the November 17, 2020 Select Board Tax Classification Hearing

Board Members Present: Chairman Jeffrey Quackenbush and member Susan Reyes.

Also present: Select Board members: Chairperson Melissa Makepeace-O'Neil, April Stein and Rita Farrell, Town Administrator Rebecca Torres, Administrative Assessor Kevin Rudden, Assessors' Clerk Leslie Bracebridge.

ZOOM Meeting ID 864 5721 7119, Password D6qKPj. Phone-in: 1.646.558.8656, ID: 864 5721 7119, Password: 722361 was opened at 5:45 PM by Select Board Chairperson Melissa Makepeace-O'Neil at 5:45 PM.

Administrative Assessor's Report:

1. Administrative Assessor Kevin Rudden reviewed a written summary for the Tax Classification Hearing. The full document was also available for the public on the Board of Assessors webpage at www.Shutesbury.org.
 - a. He noted that the current rise in values will be reflected in FY 23; tax values are always 1 year behind market trends.
 - b. Other ways to cut tax bills is through new sources of revenue, using proposed solar farm revenue as an example.
2. Administrative Assessor Rudden requested that all Select Board members and members of the Board of Assessors log-in to Gateway and approve the required documents.

Assessors adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted, as approved on December 8, 2020,

Leslie Bracebridge
Assessors' Clerk

List of Documents used at the meeting:

1. November 17, 2020 Board of Assessors and Select Board meeting agendas.
2. November 17, 2020 Tax Classification Document.