

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Thursday, December 14, 2021 6:15 PM – Tyringham Town Hall, 116 Main Road

Board members present: James Consolati, Matthew Puntin & Michael Curtin.
Others present: Molly Curtin-Schaefer & Laura Lee Bertram

Mail read: A MEMA notice of the shutdown of 3G cellular networks, quotes from Springbrook software to switch the Treasurer payroll and receipts to Soft Right Software. (The general ledger has been produced thru Soft Right software for many years.)

FY22 Tax Rate: The Board discussed the approved tax rate. The rate is a decrease of -2.61% over last year. The rate is 6.72 per thousand. (see attached worksheet)

Highlights of 12/1/21 MVP workshop: James Consolati updated the Board that land acquisition is possible thru the MVP Action Grants. The state pays 75% and the Town would pay 25%. This grant is pretty broad and projects should mitigate issues that relate to climate change. After the Town finishes up with the planning process we will be able to apply for money thru an Action Grant.

BONUSES: Holiday bonuses were approved for they highway dept., office staff, police chief and transfer station attendant.

LAND DONATION: Matthew Puntin made a motion that the Town approve funds for the final tracing of the Cynthia Donovan deed so that Rich Vinette can issue a clean titled report. This is the land off Beach Road.

TREASURER POSITION: A discussion ensued about how to move the treasurer position forward. This position is very complex and not just anyone can preform this job. It was discussed to hold a Special Town Meeting and move Collector, Clerk and Treasurer to appointed instead of elected this would require a majority in favor and also a ballot question.

NEW BUSINESS:

The 2nd MVP workshop will be held on 12/15/2021.

Town employees were approved to get retrained in using the AED's located in the Town buildings.

The annual fire extinguisher inspections were completed today.

The Town gets reimbursed for COVID payroll expenses.

An annual report was submitted to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission

OLD BUSINESS: Marcy Kamel will submit evidence that she is a resident of New York and not Massachusetts. She will ask to be taken off the voting list and provide an electric bill from New York. The Board asked to see her permanent voter card registration from October 2012.

Adjourned 7:02 pm


James Consolati, Chairman


Matthew Puntin, Clerk


Michael Curtin, Member

Cash Accounts

Certified Free Cash for FYE 2021 \$ 296,515

	<u>FYE 2021</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>FYE2022</u>
Free Cash Activity	105,045	191,470	196,414	100,101
Stabilization Fund Activity	460,965	-	25,000	435,965
	566,010			536,066

Real Estate Tax Levy Limit

FYE 2021 Levy Limit	1,577,691		
2.5% of 2021 Levy Limit	39,442		
FYE 2022 New Growth	28,815		
Levy Limit for FYE 2022	1,645,948	Excess capacity:	183,456
		Max tax rate:	7.56

Estimated Expenditures

	<u>FYE 2022</u>	<u>FYE 2021</u>	<u>Change</u>	
Expenditures per Warrant	1,738,487	1,688,019	50,468	2.99%
Special Meetings (9/23/20 - 6/30/21)	55,414	27,380	28,034	102.39%
Snow & Ice Deficits	-	-	-	N/A
State Cherry Sheet Charges	76,742	66,531	10,211	15.35%
Overlay held for abatements	4,351	4,788	(437)	-9.13%
State Cherry Sheet Offsets	2,576	1,913	663	34.66%
Total Revenue to be Raised	1,877,570	1,788,631	88,939	4.97%



Estimated Sources of Funds

State Cherry Sheet Aid	88,664	85,388	3,276	3.84%
Free Cash FYE 2021	196,414	-	196,414	N/A
Free Cash FYE 2020	-	163,212		
Stabilization Fund	25,000	27,380	(2,380)	-8.69%
Release of Overlay Surplus	10,483	-	10,483	N/A
Transfers from prior years	-	-	-	N/A
Local Receipts	94,517	80,250	14,267	17.78%
Bond & Note Issues	-	-	-	N/A
General Real Estate Taxes	1,462,492	1,432,401	30,091	2.10%
Total Estimated Sources of Funds	1,877,570	1,788,631	88,939	4.97%

Estimated Tax Rate

Prior Property Valuation	207,594,360	203,347,420	4,246,940	2.09%
Valuation Adjustments	5,862,230	3,418,245		
Additions for New Growth	4,176,110	828,695	3,347,415	4.039381196
Total Real Estate Valuation	217,632,700	207,594,360	10,038,340	4.84%
Estimated Total Valuation	217,632,700	207,594,360	10,038,340	4.84%
Estimated RE Tax Levy	1,462,492	1,432,401	30,091	2.10%
89% of Levy Limit				
Estimated Tax per \$1,000 Valuation	6.72	6.90	(0.18)	-2.61%

A .01 increase in the RE tax rate will generate additional revenue of \$ 2,176.33

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