

**ACUSHNET BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM**

Tuesday, October 29, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda only requires a single motion as follows:

Selectman Desroches motioned to approve the Consent Agenda including the minutes of the August 27, 2019 Board of Selectmen's Regular Session Minutes as presented, Selectman Gaspar seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes.

III. MEETING MAIL

IV. APPOINTMENTS

1. Eversource Hearing-Proposed Request for Permission to Locate Underground Cables, Conduits and Manholes, including necessary sustaining & Protecting Fixtures-South of Cameron's Way, Middle Road.

Donna Rosa from Eversource was here to answer any of the Selectmen's questions regarding the information presented to Locate Underground Cables, Conduits and Manholes, including necessary sustaining & Protecting Fixtures-South of Cameron's Way, Middle Road. Ms. Rosa explained that the town was only approving the Middle Road conduits and Eversource has the right of way easement on the dirt road. Selectman Gaspar motioned to approve and Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING - CLASSIFICATION HEARING**

(The Selectboard determines the percentages of tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property. The mathematics determines the actual rate.)

Chairman Roger Cabral: I move that the Board open the Public Classification Hearing to discuss the allocation of the local property tax levy among the property classes for FY 2019.

Selectman Kevin Gaspar: I second the motion.

VOTE.

Chairman Roger Cabral: I will now read the legal notice into the record: In accordance with Ch. 40, S. 56 as amended by Ch. 369 of the Acts of 1982 and Ch. 79 of the Acts of 1983, of the Mass. General Laws, The Acushnet Board of Selectmen, will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, at 5:00 PM at the Acushnet Town Hall, Selectmen's Hearing Room, 122 Main Street. The purpose of the Hearing will be to discuss the issue of allocating the local property tax levy among the property classes for Fiscal 2019.

Kelly Koska: Present Assessors information to the Board of Selectmen. (A copy of the presentation to be attached to the minutes.) Ms. Koska had a 4 page power point presentation presenting the data associated with Fiscal 2020 to determine the percentage of the town's property levy to be borne on each major property class which is attached to the minutes. She described the terminology of the levy base and new growth, the levy amounts with tax rate options and the last 4 fiscal shifts which were at 25% shift. The Selectman Gaspar as discussed motioned to stay with the 25% shift, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes.

DISCUSSION and PUBLIC COMMENT – if any.

Chairman Roger Cabral: There have been no written letters regarding this hearing, and there are no comments from the audience for or against having a split tax rate.

Selectman Kevin Gaspar: I move that the Board adopt a split tax rate to reduce the share of the tax levy that is paid by the residential and open space property owners and shift those taxes to commercial, industrial, and personal property taxpayers at the shift percentage of 125% (*substitute a different number if the Board decides differently*) as presented by the Board of Assessors.

Selectman David Desroches: I second the motion.

VOTE.

Chairman Roger Cabral: I move to close the Public Hearing.

Selectman Kevin Gaspar: I second the motion.

VOTE.

Chairman: I hereby declare the public hearing closed.

3. INTERVIEWS WITH POLICE CHIEF CANDIDATES, THOMAS CARREAU, GARY COPPA, CHRISTOPHER RICHMOND; REVIEW OF MATTERS PRESENTED; VOTES MAY BE TAKEN

The Candidates went through an assessment center to aid the Civil Service in the rating of each candidate. The Board gave the candidates written questions that were approved by Town Counsel. The Candidates passed in their responses on October 24, 2019. The Board had verbal interview questions at the actual interview date. Each candidate answered the respective questions and Christopher Richmond was voted as the next Chief. All Selectmen told each candidate it was a very tough decision as they all are great Sergeants and very well respected members of the Acushnet Police Force. Selectman Gaspar motioned to appoint Mr. Christopher Richmond to the Police Chief Position, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes.

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. REQUISITION FOR 5 PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS

The Police Chief has requested that the Board contact Civil Service for the list of 5 part-time Police Officers since HRD has conducted a state-wide test for police candidates and the list has just become available. The part-time police academy will start in January of 2020 at the Acushnet Police Department. Selectman Desroches motioned to call for the list from Civil Service, Selectman Gaspar seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes.

2. Resignation of Full-time Police Officer (Kraig Pimental)

Chief Alves came in to discuss the resignation of Kraig Pimental, Mr. Pimental would like to transfer to Taunton, he has been on the force for over the three year mark which has been the mark that the Selectmen usually work from. The Chief needs a motion to present the form 35 to Civil Service for the transfer. Selectman Gaspar motioned with regret to accept the resignation of Officer Kraig Pimental, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes.

The Police Chief also requested the Board to make a motion to call for the Sergeants list from Civil Service, after the appointment of the new chief there will

be an opening for another sergeant. There is a list that was done the old fashioned way not using the assessment center, which we should use going forward. The current list is available for another 18 months. Selectman Gaspar motioned to call for the Sergeants list, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor. Motion Passes.

VII. SELECTMEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

IX. TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

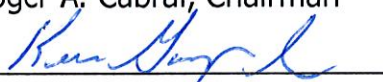
X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

X. FUTURE BUSINESS

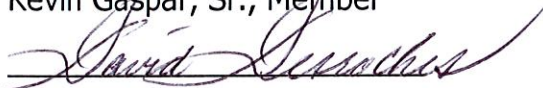
Approved:



Roger A. Cabral, Chairman



Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member




David Desroches, Member

FY 2020
TOWN OF ACUSHNET
10.29.2019 Classification Hearing

TAX SHIFT
POSSIBILITIES

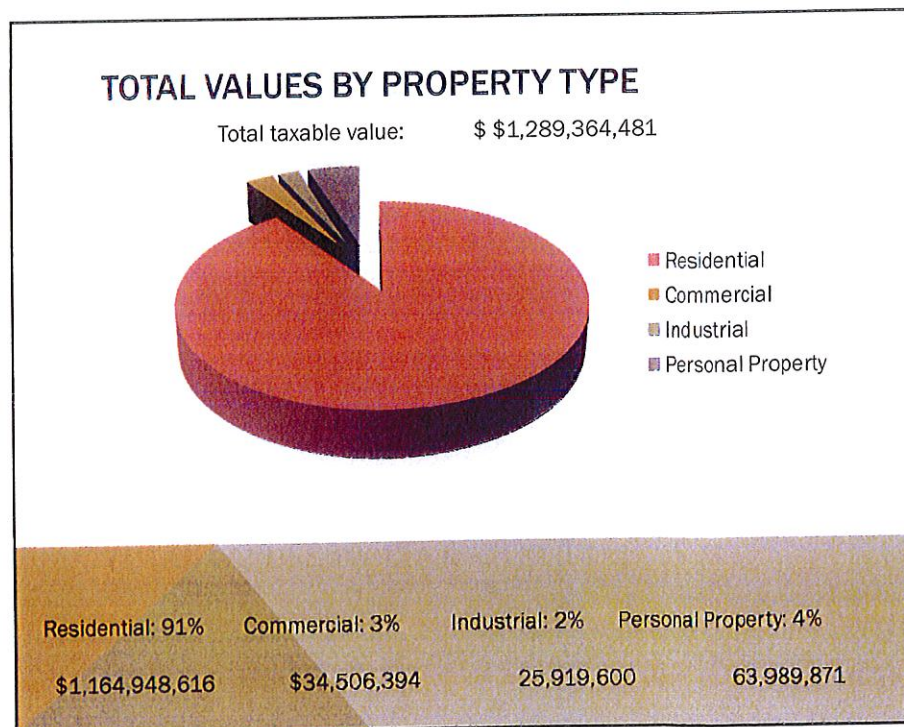
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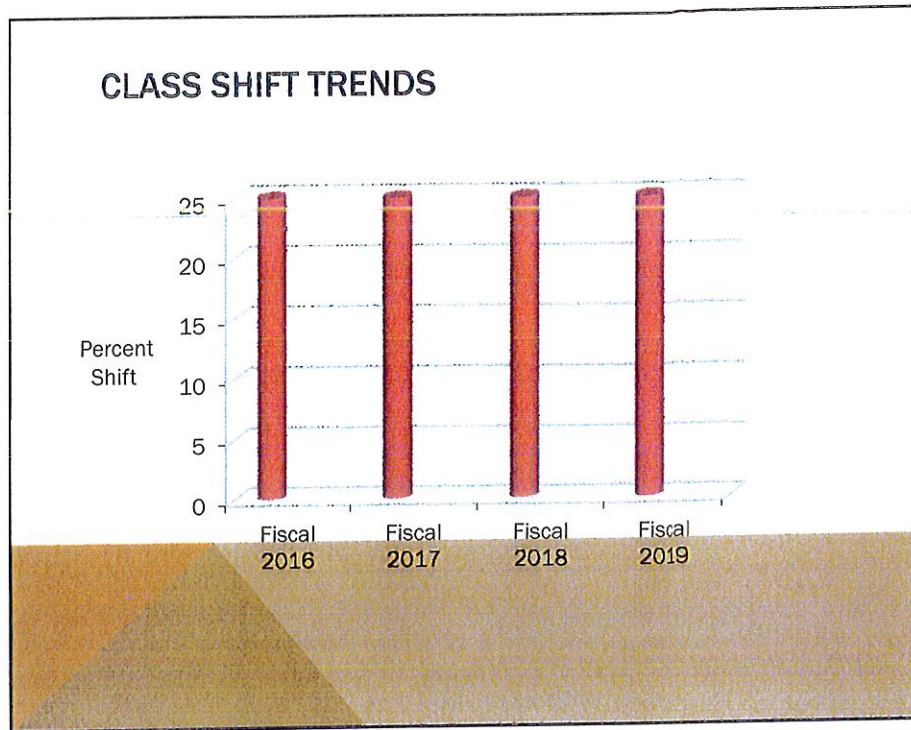
10/23/2019 Classification Hearing										
REAL VALUES				\$ 225,000.00	\$ 282,000.00	\$ 309,430.00	\$ 325,000.00	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 425,000.00
					<u>Median single family home value</u>	<u>Average single family home value</u>				
FY2019 Residential)	125%	\$ 14.18	\$	3,190.50	\$ 3,998.76	\$ 4,387.72	\$ 4,608.50	\$ 4,963.00	\$ 5,672.00	\$ 6,026.50
FY 2019 (CIP)		\$ 18.20	\$	4,095.00	\$ 5,132.40	\$ 5,631.63	\$ 5,915.00	\$ 6,370.00	\$ 7,280.00	\$ 7,735.00
FY2020 (Single Rate)	100%	\$ 14.33	\$	3,224.25	\$ 4,041.06	\$ 4,434.13	\$ 4,657.25	\$ 5,015.50	\$ 5,732.00	\$ 6,090.25
FY2020 Residential)	110%	\$ 14.18	\$	3,190.50	\$ 3,998.76	\$ 4,387.72	\$ 4,608.50	\$ 4,963.00	\$ 5,672.00	\$ 6,026.50
FY2020 (CIP)		\$ 15.76	\$	3,546.00	\$ 4,444.32	\$ 4,876.62	\$ 5,122.00	\$ 5,516.00	\$ 6,304.00	\$ 6,698.00
FY2020 Residential)	115%	\$ 14.10	\$	3,172.50	\$ 3,976.20	\$ 4,362.96	\$ 4,582.50	\$ 4,935.00	\$ 5,640.00	\$ 5,992.50
FY2020 (CIP)		\$ 16.48	\$	3,708.00	\$ 4,647.36	\$ 5,099.41	\$ 5,356.00	\$ 5,768.00	\$ 6,592.00	\$ 7,004.00
FY2020 Residential)	120%	\$ 14.02	\$	3,154.50	\$ 3,953.64	\$ 4,338.21	\$ 4,556.50	\$ 4,907.00	\$ 5,608.00	\$ 5,958.50
FY2020 (CIP)		\$ 17.19	\$	3,867.75	\$ 4,847.58	\$ 5,319.10	\$ 5,586.75	\$ 6,016.50	\$ 6,876.00	\$ 7,305.75
FY2020 Residential)	125%	\$ 13.95	\$	3,138.75	\$ 3,933.90	\$ 4,316.55	\$ 4,533.75	\$ 4,882.50	\$ 5,580.00	\$ 5,928.75
FY2020 (CIP)		\$ 17.91	\$	4,029.75	\$ 5,050.62	\$ 5,541.89	\$ 5,820.75	\$ 6,268.50	\$ 7,164.00	\$ 7,611.75
FY2020 Residential)	150%	\$ 13.56	\$	3,051.00	\$ 3,823.92	\$ 4,195.87	\$ 4,407.00	\$ 4,746.00	\$ 5,424.00	\$ 5,763.00
FY2020 (CIP)		\$ 21.49	\$	4,835.25	\$ 6,060.18	\$ 6,649.65	\$ 6,984.25	\$ 7,521.50	\$ 8,596.00	\$ 9,133.25
				FY 2019		FY 2020	DIFFERENCE	PERCENT CHANGE	PERCENT OF TOTAL VALUE	
RESIDENTIAL			\$	1,100,638,133.00		\$ 1,164,948,616.00	\$ 64,310,483.00	6%	91%	
OPEN SPACE						\$ -	\$ -			
COMMERCIAL			\$	32,499,957.00		\$ 34,506,394.00	\$ 2,006,437.00	6%	3%	
INDUSTRIAL			\$	24,558,820.00		\$ 25,919,600.00	\$ 1,360,780.00	5%	2%	
PERSONAL PROPERTY			\$	56,895,252.00		\$ 63,989,871.00	\$ 7,094,619.00	11%	4%	
TOTALS			\$	1,214,592,162.00		\$ 1,289,364,481.00	\$ 74,772,319.00	6%	100%	
* CIP: Commercial, Industrial, Personal Property										
DISCLAIMER: PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE TAX RATES WERE CALCULATED BY USING AN ESTIMATED LEVY LIMIT OF :										\$18,475,042
Final certification of value received 10/24/2019										
new growth amount submitted 10/23/2019 (FY20)					\$ 359,106.00			Recertification year		


Town of Acushnet
Board of Assessors

**FISCAL 2020
TAX SHIFT
CLASSIFICATION HEARING**

TUESDAY OCTOBER 29, 2019





Share Percentages							Levy Amounts					Estimated Tax Rates			
CIP Shift	Res Factor	Res SP	omm SP	Ind SP	PP SP	Total SP	Res LA	Comm LA	Ind LA	PP LA	Total LA	Res ET	omm ET	Ind ET	PP ET
1.0000	1.0000	90.3506	2.6762	2.0103	4.9629	100.0000	16,692,311	494,429	371,404	916,898	18,475,042	14.33	14.33	14.33	14.33
1.0500	0.9947	89.8681	2.8100	2.1108	5.2110	100.0000	16,603,175	519,151	389,974	962,743	18,475,042	14.25	15.05	15.05	15.05
1.1000	0.9893	89.3857	2.9438	2.2113	5.4592	100.0000	16,514,038	543,872	408,544	1,008,588	18,475,042	14.18	15.76	15.76	15.76
1.1500	0.9840	88.9032	3.0776	2.3118	5.7073	100.0000	16,424,902	568,593	427,114	1,054,433	18,475,042	14.10	16.48	16.48	16.48
1.2000	0.9786	88.4207	3.2114	2.4124	5.9555	100.0000	16,335,765	593,315	445,685	1,100,277	18,475,042	14.02	17.19	17.19	17.19
1.2500	0.9733	87.9383	3.3453	2.5129	6.2036	100.0000	16,246,629	618,036	464,255	1,146,122	18,475,042	13.95	17.91	17.91	17.91
1.3000	0.9680	87.4558	3.4791	2.6134	6.4518	100.0000	16,157,492	642,758	482,825	1,191,967	18,475,042	13.87	18.63	18.63	18.63
1.3500	0.9626	86.9733	3.6129	2.7139	6.6999	100.0000	16,068,356	667,479	501,395	1,237,812	18,475,042	13.79	19.34	19.34	19.34
1.4000	0.9573	86.4908	3.7467	2.8144	6.9481	100.0000	15,979,219	692,201	519,965	1,283,657	18,475,042	13.72	20.06	20.06	20.06
1.4500	0.9519	86.0084	3.8805	2.9149	7.1962	100.0000	15,890,083	716,922	538,535	1,329,502	18,475,043	13.64	20.78	20.78	20.78
1.5000	0.9466	85.5259	4.0143	3.0155	7.4444	100.0000	15,800,947	741,644	557,106	1,375,347	18,475,043	13.56	21.49	21.49	21.49