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Present were Chair Mike Paduch, Member Peter Sullivan, Ellen Blanchard, Finance Director Meg LaMay, Gail McAleer from PK Valuation Group, Dave Robertson, Sarah Hewins, Alan Dunham and Principal Assessor Dee Vicino. The meeting was held in the selectman's small meeting room and called to order at 5:34 p.m.

A discussion pursued in regards to the fiscal year 2018 tax rate shift and how it would affect the median valued home or median valued business in Carver. Part of the discussion also was about the percentage of commercial –industrial in the town as compared to other surrounding towns and how this affects not only the rate but the rate shift. We talked about no shift and how the taxes would increase considerably. We had multiple analysis on what the tax rate shift means to each homeowner and/or business owner but no matter how you look at it residents will always be unhappy and ask questions as to why my taxes are going up especially if the value of my house went up. That's when the assessing office will have to try to explain to the taxpayer the tax levy + new growth + 2.5% is what equals prop 2.5 not your tax bill from last year plus 2.5%.

Next meeting is for November 28th, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the Assessor's Office Room 215, which will be prior to the tax rate hearing at the Board of Selectman's also November 28th, 2017 at 7:10 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Peter Vote 3-0-0 at 6:37.

Respectfully submitted,
Dee Vicino, MAA
Principal Assessor