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**December 1, 2021
Classification Hearing FY2022**

Present were:

The Select Board – Mark Townsend, Chair, Sarah Hewins, Robert Belvin, Jennifer Bogart and James Hoffman.

Board of Assessors - Ellen Blanchard, MAA, Chair, and Member Michael Paduch.

The Hearing was called to order by Select Board Chair Mark Townsend at 9:00 a.m.

Classification Hearing Information:

A packet of information had been prepared by Ellen Blanchard and she presented the information to the Select Board. Included was a discussion of the how Proposition 2 ½ affects the Levy Limit and ultimately the tax rate.

The total valuation of properties, referred to as the Assessment/Classification Report as of January 1, 2021 for FY2022.

This was followed by the presentation of the items for the Select Board to discuss and vote, as follows: Open Space Discount, Residential Exemption, Small Business Exemption and the Allocation of the Levy among the different classes.

The Board of Assessors voted unanimously at the meeting on November 29, 2021 to recommend not to accept the Open Space Discount, Residential Exemption and Small Business Exemption. They also recommended to shift the tax rate at 142.5%.

The Select Board voted as follows: not to accept the Open Space Discount, Residential Exemption and Small Business Exemption. They then voted to shift the tax rate to 145% as they had for the previous 3 years.

The hearing ended at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen M. Blanchard, MAA, Chair