## Weathersfield Select Board Minutes July 9, 2013

Present:

Norman John Arrison

Dan Boyer Dave Fuller

Others Present:

Jim Mullen, Town Manager

Lisa Slade, Recording Secretary

Alan Hudson Mike Todd Steve Hier Lynn Esty Marion Ballum Edith Stillson

Chris Gerofolo, Eagle Times

John Esty Wes Hazeltine Pat Daniels Carolyn Hier FloAnn Dango

- 1. Call to Order: Mr. Boyer called the Weathersfield Select Board meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. at Martin Memorial Hall.
- 2. Comments from Citizens and Select Board members: None
- 3. Set 2013 2014 Property Tax Rates: Mr. Arrison made the motion to set the 2013 2014 tax rates as follows:

General Fund	0.2703
Highway Fund	0.2848
County Tax	0.0059
Local Education	0.0063
Homestead Education	1.6591
Non-Residential Education	1.4998
Perkinsville Village	0.0393
Waste Management Fee	\$20.00

Mr. Fuller seconded the motion. Mr. Mullen said the municipal tax is down 6.6% overall and, the newly constructed substation has helped the Grand List.

Mr. Fuller said he is not supporting this because of the surplus fund balances in the Highway and General funds. He said the surplus was discussed at Town Meeting and that money needs to be used to lower the taxes or returned to the taxpayers. He said the voters voted in favor of setting up a reserve fund with some of the surplus money but we need to use it all and not carry any surplus funds forward.

After general discussion it was decided to carry this forward to the next meeting because of the time constraint tonight and to allow time to review what amounts of surplus funds in the General Fund and Highway Fund. **Motion failed 0 - 3.** 

- 4. Update on recovery from July 2nd flooding: Mr. Mullen said sixteen roads and one covered bridge were damaged from the rain on July 2nd. He said all roads are open to at least one lane except there is a section of Ascutney Basin road that is still closed. He said he is waiting to see if FEMA declares a federal emergency which will help the Town an also the residents that suffered damaged. Mr. Mullen and Mr. Boyer thanked the Highway department for their hard work since the damage occurred. Mr. Arrison also thanked the Town Manager for tracking everything so we have proper documentation of the damage and expenses.
- 5. Adjourn: Mr. Fuller made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Arrison seconded the motion which passed without dissent. The Weathersfield Select Board meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by, Lisa Slade

Approved by the Weathersfield Select Board August 5, 2013

C. Peter Cole

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Dan Boyer

Richard Clattenburg