

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, December 3, 2014 7:30 PM  
Veterans Memorial Bldg. Room 229  
900 Main Street, Millis, MA 02054**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Sel. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The following persons were present: Vice-Chair Christopher Smith, Clerk James Neville, Operations Support Manager Karen Bouret, and Town Administrator Charles Aspinwall.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS/CDM SMITH PRESENTATION**

Tax Classification Hearing

Sel. Smith announced that Sel. Wagner was unable to attend the meeting. Paula Dumont, Assistant Assessor, explained the process of determining the percentage of the tax levy that the residential properties owners are responsible for. Ms. Dumont said major cities often have multiple tax rates but the Assessors recommend keeping a single tax rate for Millis. Ms. Dumont explained that the average single family home value in town is \$354,533.00, so at a tax rate of \$17.00 per \$1000.00 the annual cost would be \$6027.00.

**Sel. Neville made a motion to adopt a residential factor of one and not to adopt a residential or small commercial exemption. The motion was seconded by Sel. Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Sel. Neville made a motion to that the following percentage shares of the total tax levy be accepted as follows: Residential at 89.7930%, Open Space at 0.0%, Commercial at 6.4951%, Industrial at 1.6728%, and Personal Property at 2.0391%. The motion was seconded by Sel. Smith and passed unanimously.**

**UNFORESEEN**

Sel. Smith read a letter from Brooks Corl, Executive Board Member of the Charles River Chorale asking permission to hang a promotional banner over Main Street approximately 10 days prior their 12/13/14 concert date.

**Sel. Neville made a motion to approve hanging a banner promoting the Charles River Chorale's concert on 12/13/14 from 12/5/14 through 12/14/14 pending coordination with the Millis Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Sel. Smith and passed unanimously.**

Mr. Aspinwall said that John Emidy, the Town's Deputy Building Inspector, passed away. Mr. Aspinwall said there is an immediate need for an interim inspector due to our current Building Inspector's property abutting a property that has construction work being done. Mr. Aspinwall said Jack Meade, the Building Inspector in Medway, has agreed to step in temporarily.

**Sel. Neville made a motion to appoint Jack Meade as Interim Deputy Building Inspector subject to a favorable CORI result to be pay a prorated stipend and building fees effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Sel. Smith and passed unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:45pm

**Sel. Neville made a motion to adjourn at 7:45pm. The motion was seconded by Sel. Smith and passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted:

Karen M. Bouret