

Minutes of the Special Select Board Meeting, December 6, 2017

Howard Bronstein and Leslie Rule were present; Winton Pitcoff was absent. The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. at the Plainfield Town Office.

Fiscal 2018 Tax Rate Hearing

Assistant Assessor Cathy Hall stated the FY'18 tax rate would be \$19.08 if a single tax rate is adopted; She also informed the Board that the adoption of a split rate with a 5% differential would mean a residential rate of \$18.81 and a commercial rate of \$20.03, a 10% differential would place residential at \$18.54 and commercial at \$20.99, and a 50% differential would place residential at \$16.36 and commercial at \$28.62. The Board of Assessors recommends the adoption of a single rate. Leslie moved to adopt a single tax rate for FY'18. The motion, seconded by Howard, was unanimously approved by the members in attendance. The required document was signed.

Leslie did state the Board may want to consider a split rate in future years once businesses such as Mass Medi-Spa and large scale solar projects begin operations. Cathy noted Town Meeting would have to approve a cut-off value between large and small businesses.

Warrants were signed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula J. King
Administrative Secretary