

Town of Dedham

Board of Assessors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 29, 2018, 6:00PM

Present: Richard Schoenfeld, Chairman, Chris Polito, Vice Chairman, Cheryl Sullivan, Clerk, Richard Henderson, Director of Assessments, Kevin Doyle, Assistant Director of Assessments

Meeting called to order at 6:15PM in the Selectmen's Chamber by the Chairman, Mr. Schoenfeld.

No members of the public attended the meeting; therefore no public comment.

The Board reviewed, approved and signed Meeting Minutes from October 23, 2018.

The Board then reviewed and signed excise abatements.

Last item on the Agenda is the FY19 Tax Classification Discussion and vote on the recommendations to the Board of Selectmen on the FY19 Tax Rate. Mr. Henderson presented the Board with the FY19 Classification Hearing packet as well as the PowerPoint Presentation that he had previously sent to them. The Board reviewed the information provided and Mr. Schoenfeld reminded the Board that based on the information provided, the Board of Assessors will vote to make to recommendations to the Board of Selectmen. The first vote will be on whether to continue Classification for the Town of Dedham and the second vote will be on what shift to use. Based on these two votes, recommendations will be made to the Board of Selectmen who will vote and a tax rate for FY19 will be created.

Mr. Polito made a motion to recommend to continue Classification, which was second by Ms. Sullivan. Mr. Schoenfeld called for a vote. The vote was unanimous in favor to recommend to continue Classification.

Mr. Polito made a motion to recommend to shift to the max shift factor of 175%, which was second by Ms. Sullivan. Mr. Schoenfeld called for a vote. The vote was unanimous in favor of recommending to shift to the max shift factor of 175%. Mr. Henderson reminded the Board that they will need to suspend the meeting to attend the Board of Selectmen's Meeting and resume the Board of Assessor's Meeting after the Board of Selectmen have voted and will need to sign into Gateway individually to sign proper paperwork based on the votes taken.

At 6:25pm Mr. Polito made a motion to suspend the meeting to attend the Board of Selectmen's Meeting where Mr. Schoenfeld would give his presentation on the classification

and shift to the Board of Selectmen and present their recommendations. Mr. Polito's motion was second by Ms. Sullivan.

At 7:35PM, the Board returned to the Assessor's Office and reconvened back to the regular meeting. The Board then logged onto the Gateway system and individually signed the DOR approved paperwork.

At 7:45pm, having no Old/New Business to discuss, Mr. Polito recommended for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Schoenfeld made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was second by Ms. Sullivan.