

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF MADISON  
November 18, 2021  
MINUTES**

**Selectmen Present** – William T. Lord, Josh L. Shackford, Michael A. Mauro

**Others Present** –Tax Collector Michael Brooks; Town Administrator Linda Shackford

**Where and When Posted** – Town Hall upper & lower bulletin boards and Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices on November 17, 2021.

**Meeting Called to Order** – By Lord at 9:45am.

**Tax Rate Setting Update** - Numbers have been received from the Department of Revenue that the Board can use to set the 2021 tax rate. The Unreserved Fund Balance is \$809,883.00.

The Board considered decreasing the overlay from \$50,000 to \$30,000 taking into consideration abatements will be lower due to the revaluation being completed in 2020 and using \$400,000 of fund balance to offset the town portion leaving 4.2% which equates to \$401,869. This would have the town portion be at **\$3.30** calculated to a total tax rate of \$13.77 for 2021.

**Motion** by J. Shackford, seconded by Mauro to use \$400,000 of Unreserved Fund Balance and assign \$30,000 for overlay. The motion passed **3-0**.

The Board agreed to ask DRA to approve a 2021 rate of **\$13.77** with the following comparison breakdown:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Town	3.54	3.30
School	8.67	7.55
County	1.16	1.07
State School	<u>1.93</u>	<u>1.85</u>
	\$15.30	\$13.77

Eidelweiss     \$4.98             \$4.58

Lord, working off comments from the BOS meeting earlier this week, suggested to the other members to consider reaching out to Granicus to see what could be offered regarding letters to violators to start the process for all of the Town. L. Shackford will contact our Granicus account manager and try and have information together for the November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding pricing and sample letters.

The Board discussed setting up a joint meeting of the Planning Board and Zoning Boards with their respective attorneys, Moderator Epstein, the Selectmen and Town Counsel Attorney Gorrow to discuss how to move forward with presenting STRs to the public. A December 1<sup>st</sup> non-public meeting under **RSA 91-A:3II (I)** Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to

one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present, will be coordinated by L. Shackford commencing at 5:00 pm prior to the 7:00 pm Planning Board meeting the same night.

**10:10 AM** – Lord made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Mauro, and so voted **3-0**.

**NEXT SELECTMEN'S MEETING** – The next Selectmen's Meeting is scheduled for November 30, 2021 commencing at 4:30 pm in the lower level of Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Shackford,  
Town Administrator