BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD AGENDA
July 5, 2016

1. Call to order of special meeting  6:30 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Consider approving agenda.
4. Consider approving June 30, 2016 meeting minutes.
5. Consider setting the property tax rate.
6. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrants.
7. Executive session: (contracts).
8. Adjourn.

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
July 5, 2016

The duly warned special and rescheduled regular meeting of the Barre Town Selectboard of July 5, 2016 was scheduled and held at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, in Lower Websterville at 6:30 p.m.

The following members were in attendance: Rob LaClair, Rolland Tessier, Paul White, and Tom White.

Others attending were: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Town Clerk-Treasurer Donna J. Kelty, Assistant Town Manager Elaine Wang, and EMS Director Chris Lamonda.

CALL TO ORDER – The special meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

The PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those present.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

On a motion by Paul White, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to approve the agenda. Mitchell was not present for the vote.

MINUTES

On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to approve the Selectboard meeting minutes of June 30, 2016 as amended. Mitchell was not present for the vote.

FY 16-17 TAX RATES

The Town manager distributed his tax rates calculation sheet. He informed the Board that based on the Grand List value 1¢ is equivalent to $62,500 which is about $700 more than thought during the budget preparation.

Education rates are set by the State. The Town was notified these rates are $1.4073 (homestead) and $1.7178 (non-residential). Homestead increased .0017 of a cent and non-residential decreased by 1.63 cents.

The Highway fund rate is proposed to increase by .0003 of a cent to $0.4071. The Local Agreement rate which covers items such as veterans exemptions (52 claims) and tax stabilization agreements (none this year) is decreasing by .0004 of a cent.

On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard set the following Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017 tax rates as follows:

Homestead  $1.4073
Non-residential  $1.7178
Highway Fund  $0.4071
Local Agreement $0.0035.
Selectboard Minutes of July 5, 2016 continued:

 Mitchell was not present for the vote.

 The General Fund Tax rate is the last to be set. The Board discussed using Fund Balance. Treasurer Kelty agreed that $100,000 was acceptable to use.

 On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard set the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 General Fund tax rate at $0.5142 using $100,000 from the Fund Balance for one time purchases. Mitchell was not present for the vote.

 WEEKLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

 On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to approve the Accounts Payable warrant for the week of July 5, 2016. Mitchell was not present for the vote.

 EXECUTIVE SESSION

 On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard found that premature general knowledge would put the Town a substantial disadvantage with regard to contracts. Mitchell was not present for the vote.

 On a motion by Tessier, seconded by Paul White, the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss contracts at 6:59 p.m. Mitchell was not present for the vote. EMS Director Chris Lamonda was invited to attend the executive session.

 On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by LaClair, the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session at 8:31 pm. Mitchell was not present for the vote.

 MISCELLANEOUS

 It was noted that Barre Partnership (Lucas Herring) will be making a presentation to the Selectboard during their meeting on July 26th.

 Aldrich Public Library (Sarah Costa) is interested in coming to a future meeting.

 ADJOURN

 On a motion by LaClair, seconded by Tessier, the Selectboard voted to adjourn at 8:38 p.m.

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 Donna J. Kelty, Town Clerk-Treasurer            Selectboard Chair

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