

**Town of Petersham Massachusetts
SELECTBOARD MINUTES
Regular Meeting-Town Hall Lower Level
1 South Main Street
Wednesday October 30, 2019 3:00 PM**

Present: Nancy Allen, Henry Woolsey, Rick Marsh. Absent: None

Organizations/Representatives present: Dana Kennan - Board of Assessors Chair, Kelly Garlock - Assistant Assessor
Roy Nilson – Petersham Common,

Others Present: Mark Bishop.

. 3:00 PM Call to order.

Chair Nancy Allen called the meeting to order at 3:00PM at Town Hall lower level and stated the meeting was being recorded.

. 3:00 PM Public Hearing

Selectboard Chair Nancy opened the Tax Classification Public Hearing at 3:00 PM.

Board of Assessors Chair Dana Kennan recommended a tax Classification of one (1).

Henry moved to approve the Tax Classification of one (1).

Rick seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Dana stated that the new tax rate will be \$17.37 per thousand dollars in property valuation. He further stated that the average value of a single family home is now \$251312 and that the tax assessed will be \$4365.29 an increase of \$275.11 from the previous year.

Rick moved to close the Public Hearing

Henry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

. Regular Business

Review the MIIA renewal for Retirees 2020 Medex Policy rates.

Henry moved to accept the MIIA 2020 Medex Monthly Contribution rates of:

<u>Product</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Medex 2	\$316.01	- 1.72%
Blue Med Rx	\$163.54	3.49%
Total	\$479.55	0.00%

Rick seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

DCR Urban and Community Forestry Program

Rick moved to approve the letter expressing our strong support for the 2019 application to DCR's Urban and Community Forestry Program that supports the Petersham Community Wood Bank, the letter to be sent to Ms Coop of the above agency.

Henry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Halloween is now postponed until Saturday November 2.

. Minutes

Henry moved to open the minutes of the October 22 meeting.

Rick seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Henry moved to accept the minutes of the October 22 meeting as amended.
Rick seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Questions from Public and Press:

Marc Bishop asked for the date for FY 2021 budget information. He was advised that the budget memo will be sent out in December

7. Adjournment.

Henry motioned for adjournment, seconded by Rick and it was voted unanimously to approve the motion to adjourn at 3:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Marsh", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Rick Marsh, Clerk