

Town of Charleston
Selectboard Special Meeting 07/26/2022

MINUTES

Attending: Selectpersons Patrick Austin and Peter Moskovites; Road Foreman Bernie Pepin; Town Clerk & Treasurer Teri Gray; and Selectboard Clerk Colleen Kellogg.

THESE MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Patrick Austin, Chair. Mr. Austin added the following to the agenda to be discussed in executive session: (1) a personnel matter; and (2) a potential animal cruelty situation.

The Town has waived the late Homestead Filing Penalty in the last two years due to a combination of extensions of tax deadlines and COVID financial impacts. The Treasurer recommends that the Selectboard waive it again this year since the filing deadline passed in April but resume next year with plenty of notice to taxpayers early in the year. Mr. Austin moved to waive the late homestead penalty for 2022, seconded by Mr. Moskovites and approved.

Regarding 2022 Property Tax Rates, Mr. Austin moved to approve a Homestead rate of 2.1424 per \$100 and a Non-Homestead rate of 2.2246 per \$100, seconded by Mr. Moskovites and approved.

As decided at the July 14th meeting, an updated Dog Ordinance document was reviewed, which reflects 5-day hold time for impounded dogs. Mr. Austin moved to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Mr. Moskovites and approved.

Mr. Moskovites moved to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal matters, with a second by Mr. Austin. Executive Session began at 10:05 am and ended at 10:30 am with no action taken.

Seeing no other business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:35 am. The next meeting will be held Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

Approved this 11th day of August 2022:

Selectboard, Town of Charleston