Town of Ayer

***Ayer Select Board Meeting Highlights from December 5, 2023**

This meeting of the Ayer Select Board was held in-person at the Ayer Town Hall with a remote participation option on Zoom for the Public.

- The Select Board (SB) Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm in Open Session.

- The SB heard a request for reimbursement for a sewer connection fee for 236 Snake Hill Road which had been TABLED from the November 21, 2023 meeting. The SB voted (3-0) to authorize a $3,000 abatement for the sewer connection fee.

- The SB conducted the FY 2024 Tax Classification Hearing. The SB voted (3-0) to not adopt an Open Space Discount. The SB voted (3-0) to not adopt a Residential Exemption. The SB voted (3-0) to not adopt a Small Commercial Exemption. The SB voted (3-0) to adopt a Residential Shift Factor of 0.7427 and a CIP Shift Factor of 1.66 for FY 2024 which translates to an estimated Residential Tax Rate of $12.25 and an estimated CIP Tax Rate of $27.38 for FY 2024.

- The SB voted (3-0) to approve the 2024 License Renewals on recommendation of the Assistant Town Manager.

- The SB received an Administrative update and an update on the FY 2025 Budget Process from the Town Manager. *(Note: FY 2025 Budget information and documents can be found on the Town's website at www.ayer.ma.us/budget or on request from the Town Manager's Office)*

- The SB voted (3-0) by Roll Call Vote to enter Executive Session Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21A, Exemption #6 (Consider Acquisition of Real Property) 71 Sandy Pond Road; and Exemption #3 (Litigation Strategy) AFFF/PFAS Litigation and to adjourn for the evening at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

*(Note: The Select Board Meeting Highlights are for public informational purposes only and do not constitute an official record of the Select Board nor do they constitute the official meeting minutes.)

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Ayer Select Board will be on December 19, 2023, at 6pm. This will be an in-person meeting with a remote participation option on Zoom for the Public.