

**Town of Pomfret
5218 Pomfret Road
North Pomfret, VT 05053**

Draft Minutes of the July 11, 2017 Special Select Board Meeting

Select Board members present: Sheila Hopkins (Chair), Emily Grube, Scott Woodward
Others present: Ellen DesMeules (Treasurer), Andrew Mann

The Chair, Sheila Hopkins, called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.

The board began the meeting by voting to waive the 8% penalty for residents who pay their property taxes late because of late filing of the HS-122 form. The board is required to decide on the waiver annually. The Treasurer noted that last year, there were four people who filed late and subsequently paid their taxes late. The Treasurer further clarified that the waiver does not apply to delinquent taxes. Following discussion on the motion, the board voted unanimously to wave the late fee.

The board next took up the main topic of the meeting – setting the FY18 tax rate. The Treasurer presented the NEMRC calculated tax rates based on the amount of \$973,853 to be raised in taxes, affirmatively approved by the voters of Pomfret at the 2017 Annual Town Meeting. The corresponding tax rate calculations produced by NEMRC were 0.0004% for the Local Agreement and 0.3882% for the Municipal/Town Tax Rate. Education states, as determined by the State, are 1.4993% for the Non-Residential rate and 1.5437% for the Homestead rate. After a brief discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve the NEMRC generated tax rates for the Local Agreement and Municipal/Town Tax.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

Date drafted: July 15, 2017

Date approved: TBD

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Woodward