

# *Stockbridge Board of Assessors*

## Record of Meeting

Date – Monday October 16, 2023

Time – 9:00 am

Location – This was a Zoom and In-Person Meeting

Present - Michael Blay, Principal Assessor

- Gary Pitney

- Douglas Goudey

- Brandi Page

The Board discussed the following items at their meeting:

Last Meeting Minutes – The Board reviewed the last meeting minutes and had no issues or comments.

CL-1 Forms to Sign for FY2025 – Mike informed the Board that these forms are due December 1<sup>st</sup>, they will sign them as they come in. The Board reviewed and signed these forms, letters will be mailed out after December 1<sup>st</sup> stating they are due.

Request for Disposal of Records – Mike informed the Board that he and Tammy worked on the retention schedule, a letter is ready to be mailed to the public records department to get permission to shred documents from 2014-2022. Mike is not sure when the audit is and there are open ATB cases, that's why 2023 can't be included. He would like to have this ready for when the time comes.

Fiscal Year 2024 Tax Rate Settings – Mike reviewed with the Board that last week was the tax classification hearing on Thursday October 12<sup>th</sup>, the tax rate is \$7.37. The selectboard enacted the small commercial exemption, this means there will be a 10% discount on commercial properties with a value of \$1,000,000 or less and with 10 employees or less. Very few communities use this, Mike, Cheryl and Ericka will have to figure out this process, this has never been voted in before. The tax rate can't be set until this exemption is computed. Doug suggested to review the properties to make sure there are no conflicts, Mike will start getting them together this week

Fiscal Year 2024 Tax Bills – Mike informed the Board that the collectors office wanted to get the bills mailed out on November 1<sup>st</sup> but with the vote of the small commercial exemption this will delay the bills a bit.

FY2025 Exemption Applications – Mike reviewed with the Board that Tammy will get these forms ready to be mailed out, they will get mailed when the tax bills go out or shortly thereafter.

Questions or Comments from Zoom or Live Audience – There was no one in the audience and no one was on Zoom, there were no questions or comments.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Tammy Touponce, Assessors Clerk

\*Supporting documents are on file with the Assessor's Office.