

1 **Selectboard**
2 **July 10, 2020**
3 **Special “Virtual” Meeting**

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6 *Park, 05655; info@greenmountainaccess.tv or 802-851-1592*

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8 **Members Present:** Susan Bartlett, Chair (6:00 pm); Roland Boivin; Dave Gagnier; Brian Shackett
9 **Members Absent:** Roger Audet
10 **Virtual Attendees:** Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator; Town Clerk & Treasurer Kim Moulton; Alyson
11 **Cusson called in at about 10:00; GMATV (Maya)**

12 Susan opened the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

- 13 1) **Welcome** – Special meeting – No additions to the agenda or public comment.
- 14 2) **FY2021 Municipal Tax Rate** – Kim presented a proposed tax rate based on the Grandlist information
15 recently received from the town listers, the 411 report. The FY2020 town rate was \$0.7722. The
16 FY2021 rate is \$0.7690 based on the town budget approved at town meeting and the local agreement
17 rate is \$0.0028. The local agreement rate makes up lost revenue from the veterans’ exemption. The
18 total proposed tax rate is \$0.7718/\$100 of assessed property value. Motion by Brian to approve the
19 FY2021 Municipal Tax Rate of \$0.7718. Seconded by Dave. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against, motion
20 passed.
- 21 3) **Purdue Pharma Class Action** – The Board reviewed the documents related to the national court case
22 involving municipalities and others harmed from the opioid addiction in the United States.
23 Submitting the paperwork by the July 15, 2020 deadline will allow the Town to join the class action
24 and possibly benefit from a settlement in the future. Motion by Brian to authorize Susan Bartlett to
25 sign, on behalf the Town, the “In Re Purdue Pharma, L.P., et al, Consolidated Claim Authorization
26 Form”, seeking the Claim Amount derived from the Municipality Claim Model with Hyde Park’s claim
27 calculated as \$3,655,028 for the period of 2003 through 2040. Seconded by Dave. Voting: 3 in favor,
28 0 against, motion passed.
- 29 4) **Adjourn** – Motion by Dave to adjourn at 10:03 a.m. Seconded by Brian. So, voted.