

BOURNE WATER DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING, DECEMBER 5, 2024

The meeting was duly posted.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Robert Prophett. Present: Commissioners Brian Handy, Peter Way and Michael Lyons. Also present: Town of Bourne Assessor Rui Pereira, Superintendent Robert (Bob) Prophett, and Treasurer/Clerk Kristen Noel. The meeting was held at the district office at 211 Barlow's Landing Road, Pocasset.

Tax Rate Classification Hearing

The Town of Bourne Assessor, Rui Pereira, made his suggested motion known to the Board of Water Commissioners. It was suggested that the single, uniform tax rate be kept for FY25. Additionally, he suggested that the Board reject the Residential Exemption, Open Space Discount, and Small Commercial Exemption for FY25. He clarified that Bourne is primarily a residential town and that it would not be beneficial to classify the area into two tax rates due to the lack of commercial real estate.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Brian Handy to adopt a single tax rate by selecting a residential factor of 1 in determining the allocation of taxes to be borne by the four classes of real property, along with personal property, for Fiscal Year 2025. An additional motion was made also by Brian Handy to not adopt an Open Space Discount, Residential Exemption, Senior Means Tested Exemption and a Small Commercial Exemption for FY2025. Both motions were seconded by Michael Lyons, all in favor. Motions were approved.

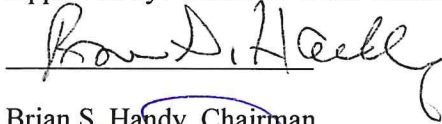
Brian Handy made a **MOTION** to adjourn at 8:42 am. Peter Way seconded that motion, and all in favor.

Commissioners Comments None


Respectfully submitted,

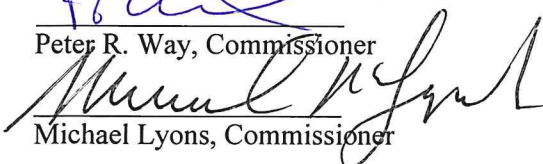
Kristen Noel, District Clerk

Approved by: Board of Water Commissioners



Brian S. Handy, Chairman


Peter R. Way, Commissioner


Michael Lyons, Commissioner