## Special Working Wentworth Select Board Meeting Minutes October 29, 2021

Those present: Arnold Scheller, Jordan King, George Morrill, and Linda Franz.

Called to Order: Arnie Scheller called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

The purpose of this special meeting was to discuss the 2021 preliminary tax rate from the DRA and the retained unassigned fund balance.

The tax rate is \$20.38 which is \$5.38 less than 2020. The unassigned fund balance is \$680,458 which is 21.09% of the general fund operating expenses. The DRA recommends a maximum of 17% - \$548,435 and a minimum of 5% - \$161,304. The town may use some of this fund balance to further reduce taxes, or retain it to use for 2022 budget.

After much discussion, it was agreed to go with the DRA tax rate of \$20.38 and perhaps use some of the fund balance in 2022 for capital reserves, particularly bridges. The tax rate will be presented and voted on at the November 2, 2021 Select Board meeting.

J.King made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by A.Scheller. Both voted in the affirmative and the meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Linda Franz, Administrative Assistant		t 🔿
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Arnold Scheller, Chairman	Andrew Lasser	Jordan King