

Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting  
Wednesday, October 28, 2020

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Frank Reeder, Clayton Stalker, Russ Austin

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Chairman Frank Reeder to discuss and approve the 2020 tax rate.
2. The DRA has done a preliminary tax rate using \$50,000 of surplus. 2021 is an assessment revaluation year, which could initiate abatements. It is also unknown what expenses due to Covid19 there will in be 2021 and the possible loss of income, locally and from the State. Due to these factors, the Selectmen agreed to not use any surplus this year. In doing so, the tax rate will still be lower by \$1.45. Of the four parts that make up the tax rate, the only one that has an increase this year is the County.

Tax Rate	Tax Rate	Diff	%	*Inc
<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>			
3.87	4.30	-0.43	-10.05%	-\$86
4.03	3.90	0.13	3.39%	\$26
15.50	16.51	-1.01	-6.13%	-\$203
2.00	2.14	-0.14	-6.42%	-\$27
25.40	26.85	-1.45	-5.40%	

3. The decrease in the tax rate will be \$290 on a \$200,000 house.
4. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann LaBarre  
Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Frank Reeder, Chairman

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Clayton Stalker

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Russ Austin