

TOWN OF WALPOLE Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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## Minutes of Meeting November 16, 2021

The Board of Assessors met on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at 6:30 pm, Room 115, Town Hall.

The following Board members were present: John Fisher, Chair, Robert Bushway, Clerk, and Richard Zaccaro, Member. Also participating, Dennis Flis, Director of Assessing.

The FY 2022 State Mandated Revaluation is in the final stages of receiving certification from the Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services.

The Board will meet with the Select Board next Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> and provide input at their public hearing on deciding the FY 2022 Residential Factor. (Tax Rates for FY 22).

The Board reviewed and discussed the Classification Packet provided by the Director of Assessing. The Board went through the packet with the main topic of discussion being the pros and cons of adjusting the current shift of 1.275 to a higher shift in order to reduce the increase in the FY 2022 taxes for the residential homeowner. At the current shift of 1.275, the average single family home, assessed at \$591,350, would see an increase over last years taxes of \$297. The Board did not take any action on the shift tonight but will further review the information and will have a recommendation on November 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Select Board.

Board of Assessors John R. Fisher, Chair Robert L. Bushway, Clerk Richard J. Zaccaro, Member