



Town of Milton
43 Bombardier Road, Milton VT 05468

TELECONFERENCE/VIRTUAL SECOND PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Selectboard Members Present: John Palasik, Chair; Michael Morgan, Vice Chair; Chris Taylor, Clerk; Brenda Steady, Member; John FitzGerald, Member

Staff Members Present: Don Turner, Jr., Town Manager; Sheila Mooney, TM Executive Assistant; John Bartlett, Director of Admin/Facilities/HR/IT; David Allerton, Director of Public Works; Amanda Pitts, Zoning Administrator/Health Officer/E911 Coordinator; Kirsten Jensen, Public Works Engineer

Others Present: Buddy Mueller

I. Call to Order

J. Palasik called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Flag Salute

M. Morgan led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Second Public Hearing – Revisions to Proposed Charter Amendments

Pursuant to 17 VSA §2641(b), the Milton Selectboard will hold a Teleconference/Virtual Second Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to solicit public comment for the proposed Charter amendments.

NOTICE OF REVISIONS TO PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that following the first public hearing on the proposed Charter Amendments, held on January 28, 2021, the Milton Selectboard determined to revise the Charter Amendments to eliminate § 129-1009(2)(a)-(c). Among other things, that proposed amendatory language would have given the Selectboard authority to recommend, and the voters authority to adopt, a local option tax pursuant to the Charter. Such authority continues to exist separately by statute, per 24 V.S.A. § 138.

Accordingly, the text of the proposed Charter Amendments shall be modified as follows (underlined text to be added; ~~strikeout~~ text to be removed):

§ 129-1009. Taxation

1) Town and School Tax Collection

(a) Commencing on July 1 in all subsequent years, taxes on real and personal property may be paid and shall be accepted in three equal installments payable on the following dates: September 15, February 15, and due in full on May 15.

(b) A penalty of eight percent shall be assessed on all delinquent taxes on the day following the due date of May 15. Interest of one percent per month shall be assessed on all outstanding balances beginning 30 days from the due date.

2) Local Option Tax (24 V.S.A. § 138)

~~(a) If the Selectboard of the Town of Milton by a majority vote recommends, the voters of the Town may, at an annual or special meeting warned for the purpose, by a majority vote of those present and voting, assess any or all of the following:~~

~~_____ (1) a one percent sales tax;~~

~~_____ (2) a one percent meals and alcoholic beverages tax;~~

~~_____ (3) a one percent rooms tax.~~

~~(b) Any local option tax assessed under subsection (a) of this section shall be collected and administered and may be rescinded as provided by the general laws of this State.~~

~~(c) The Selectboard, by resolution, will determine annually, during the budget building process, the disbursement of revenue collected by this tax.~~

[For clarity, the text of § 129-1009(2)(a)-(c), originally proposed to be added, shall be removed].

The complete text of proposed amendments is on file for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk and copies are available to members of the public upon request during normal business hours. The complete text of the proposed amendments may also be viewed on the Town's website at: www.miltonvt.gov.

J. Palasik adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sheila Mooney

APPROVED MINUTES:

 Date: 03/01/21
Chris Taylor, Selectboard Clerk

Filed with the Milton Town Clerk's Office on this 2 day of March, 2021.

ATTEST: , Milton Town Clerk