

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
TOWN OF RYEGATE
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SPECIAL SELECT BOARD MEETING
July 17, 2023
Town Office

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Andrew Smith. Other members present: Regina Hazel and Darryl Perkins. Also present: Cheryl Slayton, Sally Wilson, Kyle Bourtelles, and Gene Perkins.

The Board reviewed the recycling stickers and the need to increase bulk rate fees. Gene will continue to use the 50-gallon barrel method to estimate construction material waste pricing.

The Board reviewed the letter to Groton/Ryegate residents explaining the recycling stickers. The free recycling stickers will be mailed with the tax bills to all Ryegate and Groton property owners. Others in adjoining towns may purchase stickers at the Town Clerk's Offices. This program will go into effect October 1, 2023.

The Treasurer presented a work sheet to aid in setting the tax rate. The 2023-2024 tax rate would be: Homestead-2.1441 and Non-Homestead-2.1555.

Andy moved for the treasurer to withdraw \$70,000.00 from the Reserve Fund at her discretion, as approved at the Budget Meeting in January to help decrease the tax rate and approve the above tax rate, Regina seconded the motion and it carried.

The Board discussed and instructed the treasurer to clearly allocate a bank account to reflect the unallocated fund balance (reserve fund).

There being no further business, Regina moved to adjourn at 8:25 PM, Andy seconded the motion and it carried.

_____ Elizabeth Page, Clerk for the Board