

**Elderly Tax Relief Subcommittee
Watertown Town Council
Watertown, Connecticut
Minutes
Tuesday, January 23, 2024 – 5:45 p.m.
Watertown Town Hall
Town Council Chambers
61 Echo Lake Road**

1. Call meeting to order.

Jonathan Ramsay called the meeting to order at 5:57 p.m.

2. Roll call.

Present: Jonathan Ramsay, Mary Ann Rosa, Carina Noyd

Absent: Gary Lafferty

Others Present: Mark Raimo - Town Manager, Faith Richmond – Tax Assessor, Paul Jessell, Town Attorney, Ken Demirs, Robert Desena, Robert Retallick

3. Discussion and possible action concerning a proposed modification of the ordinance concerning Property Tax Relief for Certain Elderly Homeowners.

Paul Jessell, Town Attorney stated the charge from this committee was to make our local ordinance follow essentially the state ordinance. What I did was I modified our current ordinance and put in the chart from the state ordinance. Faith reorganized it, to make it a little easier to follow. I put in the language to start it this year. There is one addition or change I would recommend if you look on page two under the chart the second sentence says “shall be” it should say “may be”. There are no major changes to the ordinance except the income limits, which again follows the most recent state income limits or credits.

Discussion and questions from the committee.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Ken Demirs: that we refer the changes to our Elderly Tax Relief Program to the ordinance subcommittee with the change indicating “may be” an adjusted annual amount which is on page two.

Motion passed unanimously

4. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Ramsay, Subcommittee Chair

Approved: _____
Susan King, Clerk