1. Pledge of Allegiance.
   Chair Mary Ann Rosa called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Call Meeting to Order.
   Chair Mary Ann Rosa led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll Call.
   PRESENT: Mary Ann Rosa, Chair
            Ken Demirs, Vice Chair
            Robert Desena
            Gary Lafferty
            Carina Noyd
            Robert Retallick
            Rachael Ryan

   ABSENT: Anthony DiBona
           Jonathan Ramsay

   OTHERS PRESENT: Susan Zappone, Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director

4. Consider a resolution setting the mill rate to levy taxes for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
Ken Demirs seconded by Robert Retallick I make a motion to approve the resolution setting the mill rate to levy taxes for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 at 28.37 due and payable on July 1, 2024 for personal property, all motor vehicle taxes and the first installment of real estate due on July 1, 2024 and also the second installment on real estate taxes due on January 1, 2025.

Gary Lafferty asked how do they come up this mill rate of 28.37 since it’s our first-time hearing about it?

Chair Mary Ann Rosa answered it is the figure that we use to put out to referendum when we lowered the budget, correct?

Susan Zappone, Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director answered yes, you have to decide what the mill rate is going to be and start with whatever the collections needed to be collected by the tax office. She is a 98.4 % collector, so you have to take that number and divide it into the grand list and that’s how you come up with the mill rate but it’s based on what needs to be collected by the tax collector for taxes.

Chair Mary Ann Rosa stated what needs to be collected is what we need to meet the budget number we set.

Susan Zappone, Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director answered correct, exactly right, it’s whatever needs to be collected from the tax office plus any other revenue that comes in matches the budgeted amount.

Carina Noyd asked the way this reads to me will the mill rate be the same for real estate, motor vehicle and personal property.

Susan Zappone, Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director answered yes, we are below the cap for motor vehicle now, so it will be this.

Motion passes unanimously

5. Adjourn

Motion: Ken Demirs seconded by Robert Retallick: to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously
Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Ann Rosa, Chair
Watertown Town Council

Approved: ________________________
Susan King, Clerk