

John Cronin, Chairman
Brian Loughlin, Vice Chairman
Peter Barbieri, Clerk

Kathryn A. Peirce, M.A.A.
Don Clarke, Assistant Assessor

**THE HOLLISTON ASSESSORS OFFICE
HOLLISTON TOWN HALL**

Minutes of Meeting Held: 12/3/14 at Board of Selectmen 8pm

Attendees for the Assessors: P. Barbieri, John Cronin, Kathryn Peirce

J. Cronin reported to Board of Selectmen that the DOR has not certified the values. Mr. Cronin identified the five classes but advised that the Board of Assessors recommends a single tax rate, which based upon Town Meeting approved expenditures, receipts and new growth (\$681,087) establishes a tax rate of \$19.38. Residential values, due to increase in sales prices in 2013, will rise 7%. No increases on Commercial, Industrial and Personal properties. New Assistant Assessor very active in personal property with various personal property on contactors equipment/personal property. Mr. Cronin also reported large increase in number of homes valued over \$500,000 due to new homes and increase in market sales prices.

Paul Lebeau recommended approval of classification and tax rate recommendation with holding of final form relating to excess levy number. Bill Dowd 7% valued but decrease rate so 38% tax increase for average value home.

Selectmen voted residential factor with no exemptions and established tax rate at \$19.38, subject to final state approval.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter Barbieri, Clerk