## Waterford Pre-Town Meeting Waterford School Gym February 25, 2020

Attendees: Gary Allard, Fred Saar, Bill Piper, Jessy Pelow, Steve Eddy, Dave Morrison, Kevin Gillander, Bill Willis, Maurice Chaloux, Mary Em Saar, Sandy Lyon

Moderator Maurice Chaloux opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Selectboard discussed the year events and the items of increase for the Town budget. Some of those items include highway overtime, town audit, highway wages and cemetery funds. This year the Selectboard is asking the Town to join a Communications Union District (CUD). They discussed the need for broadband and that this northern part of Vermont is behind the rest of the state. It is understood that no outside companies are going to bring broadband to the area unless we do it ourselves. The residents should understand that if the Town votes to join the CUD that does not obligate the town or individual for paying. Joining the CUD provides Waterford a seat on the board. It was questioned why the delinquent tax pay is so high. The Selectboard replied that Great River Hydro was late paying taxes leaving the 8% on the amount owed being paid to the Delinquent Tax Collector. It was asked when the Town-wide re-appraisal is beginning. The Selectboard responded that this is a Lister question as they do not have the exact date.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.	
Approved:	Jessy Pelow
Date:	Town Clerk