

BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING
Regular MINUTES
September 2, 2014 @5:30 P.M.

The Board of Assessors meeting was called to order on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 5:30 P.M. In attendance were Paul Buckley, Robert Caruolo, William Barker, Theodora Gabriel and Karen Springer, Secretary. (Shawn Cadime, Town Administrator attended for a brief time to explain the revision to the Charter.)

Approve Minutes: The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of July 15, 2014.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tape Recorder: Board discussed and voted to use a tape recorder at BOA meetings. This way, the secretary does not have to attend the meetings and can type the minutes from the recorder. We used it for this session for the first time.

Monthly MVE Abatement & Real Abatement Reports: The Board reviewed, voted on and signed the monthly MVE reports.

Letter from Seekonk Congregational Church: The Board discussed the letter received from Seekonk Congregational Church on 8/5/14. Letter states that they are exempt, but they Lease space to a ðfor profitð business, therefore, exemption no longer applies to the lease portion.

Website Enhancement: The board discussed the Assessors website enhancement. All updates were done and Karen will continue to keep the website up to date.

Response from DOR regarding chapter 59, § 11: Theo received a response back; stating Assessors have the right to assess any future condos to Greenbrier Village. No longer need to ask permission from DOR.

Charter Revision: The Board reviewed BOS work session held on Wednesday, August 13, 2014, regarding the revisions to the Charter. Mr. Cadime, T.A. explained the changes and answered the boards questions. Bill will attend the next session.

Sign FY'2015 Real Property Statutory Exemptions: The board voted to approve 8- CPAð, 4- 17-Dð, 2- 18ð, 97 veterans and 28- 41C exemptions. Denied 4- 41Cð due to being over in gross receipts and 1 Veterans due to property being sold.

NEW BUSINESS:

Authorization to submit Gateway forms: The Board discussed authorization from the BOA for Town Assessor to submit all Gateway forms.

2103 & 2014 MV Warrents to Collector: The Board voted and signed 2013 & 2014 MV Warrants to Collector.

Chapter Land Bill: Board discussed Chapter land bill signed into law 8/6/14 ðHouse Bill 2551ð

Boat Excise Warrant: The board reviewed, voted and signed the Boat Excise Warrant.

Annual Town Report: The Board reviewed the draft for the Annual Town Report which is due October 15, 2014. It was noted that we can add things to our part of this report and will mention Bill Barker being on our Board.

MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

1. CSC annual meeting: September 11, 2014, 9:30 A.M. @ Publick House, Sturbridge, MA. Theo to attend.
2. Bristol County Assessors Breakfast Meeting: 9/18/14 at Easton Town Hall. Theo may attend this meeting.
3. Discussion of Municipal Law Seminar, 10/2/14 in Randolph. Attending: Theo and possibly Bill.
4. Discussion of MAAO Clerks Meeting 10/9/14 at Venus de Milo. Re: Open Meeting Law. (Karen & Alison to attend)

OTHER BUSINESS:

Discuss other topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chairman 48 hours before meeting.

The board discussed putting a notice on the website for anyone who wishes to speak or appear before the BOA. It would tell them to notify us before the meeting, what to bring, etc.

MEET WITH ASSESSORS: (No votes or actions taken)

Property owner wants to talk to board. (none at this time)

The Board voted to go into Executive session at 6:33 P.M., to return to regular session.

The Board reconvened Regular session at 7:15 P.M.

Schedule Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 7 at 5:30 P.M.

Regular Meeting Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Springer
Secretary