

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

August 21, 2019

Minutes of Assessors Meeting

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The meeting was called to order at 2:17pm. Clerk Kilcommins, Chairman Cornellier, Assessing Administrator Thomas Hogan and Assessing Department Assistant Jacquelyn Guthrie were present. Also in attendance were Pastor Paul Brennan and his wife Nanci of the Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church of Ayer.

The Board of Assessors read the agenda for August 21, 2019. A motion to approve the agenda as written was made by Clerk Kilcommins, seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a 2-0 vote.

The Board of Assessors read the minutes for July 24, 2019. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Clerk Kilcommins, seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a 2-0 vote.

The Board of Assessors discussed with the Brennan's the use of the property at 139-141 Littleton Road. Pastor Brennan explained the various types of religious activities currently taking place on the premises. The Board asked and the Brennan's agreed to allow them to inspect the property as part of the next scheduled Board of Assessors meeting. The Brennans left the meeting at 2:36pm.

The Board of Assessors reviewed the warrant and commitment prepared for 31 FY2019 Supplemental Real Estate tax bills totaling \$50,348.11. A motion to approve and sign the warrant and commitment was made by Clerk Kilcommins, the motion was seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a 2-0 vote.

The Board of Assessors was presented with a FY2020 Preliminary Real Estate Warrant/Commitment for \$9,845,576.38, a FY2020 Preliminary Personal Property Tax Warrant/Commitment for \$2,037,024.66 and a FY2020 Preliminary CPA Real Estate Tax Warrant/Commitment for \$98,297.03. A motion to approve and sign the warrants and commitments was made by Clerk Kilcommins, the motion was seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a 2-0 vote.

The Assessing Administrator presented the Board with various potential revenue projection estimates resulting from the Community Preservation Committee's proposal to increase the Community Preservation Act Surcharge from 1 to 3 percent.

The Board of Assessors was presented with the warrant and commitment for Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Commitment 4 of 2019 totaling \$46,013.92. A motion to approve and sign the warrant and commitment was made by Clerk Kilcommins. The motion was seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a 2-0 vote.

The Assessing Administrator and Board discussed the status of the town's Appellate Tax Board docket.

The Board of Assessors reviewed the Assessing Department Report for the month of July. A motion to approve the report as written and authorize submission to the Town Manager was made by Clerk Kilcommins, seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a 2-0 vote.

The Board of Assessors reviewed the July 2019 Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise Abatement Report. The Assessing Department Assistant processed 34 abatements totaling \$3,882.37. A motion to accept and sign the report was made by Clerk Kilcommins, seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a vote of 2-0.

Old Business:

There were no issues of old business.

New Business:

The Board of Assessors reviewed correspondence from the Division of Local Services regarding the What's New in Municipal Law seminar for 2019.

The next Board of Assessors will be scheduled for September 18th, 2019 at 2:00pm.

A motion to adjourn at 3:49pm was made by Clerk Kilcommins, seconded by Chairman Cornellier and approved by a vote of 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,


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