

Approved: 2/18/2020

Holliston Board of Assessors February 11, 2020 6:00 pm Assessors Office, Room #107

The meeting of the Board of Assessors was called to order at 6:00 pm. Present were: Peter Barbieri, Clerk, Mary Greendale, Chair, Lesley Kennally, Vice Chair, Kathryn Peirce, Principal Assessor and Kelly Schorr, Asst. Assessor.

The Board acted on the following:

Signed report of abatement in the amount of \$7,680.03

Signed report of abatement in the amount of \$19,877.00

Signed report of exemptions in the amount of \$5,299.74

Signed weekly payroll for 2/14/2020

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, M. Greendale to approve Senior Surviving Spouse application #15

VOTE: 3-0

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, M. Greendale, to approve Low Income Exemptions CPA #'s 1, 9, 23, 24, & 25

& Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to approve minutes of 2/4/2020

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement applications #51 and 57.

Applicant to come before the board.

Reviewed Abatement application #4

Property inspected – no changes to building

Applicant argues wetland adjacent, abuts commercial & Eversource

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to deny

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #24

Standard 7% increase in property

Inspected, adjustment to area

Reduction \$46,300.00

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to reduce value by \$46,307.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #26

Standard 9% increase

Property Inspected, no upgrade or maintenance adjustment

condition from Average Good to Average

Value reduction \$24,000.

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to reduce value by \$24,000.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #48

Inspected, change condition Good to Average Good

Wetland not sufficient to change

Reduction \$19,800.00

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to reduce value by \$19,800.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #50

Applicant argues wetland & condition not Good

Inspected, condition change from Good to Average Good

Reduction \$15,600.00

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to reduce value by \$15,600.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #53

Applicant believes land value too high, no justification provided

Property inspected

Convert area from 1884 to 1596 (not complete area over garage)

Reduction \$14,000.00

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to reduce value by \$14,000.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #58

5% Commercial Building

Inspected area, added 120 square feet

Increase in value

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to deny.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #60

Questions land value due to wetlands, no proof of wetlands provided

Inspected 7/16/2019, inspected interior - reason for increase: addition & garage

Wetland per town map

5% land discount, Reduce \$11,200

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to reduce value by \$11,200.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed Abatement application #65

Applicant questions square footage (Photo incorrect)

Inspected, change condition from Average Good to Average & cathedral area

Reduction \$15,500

Motion P. Barbieri, Second, L. Kennally, to reduce value by \$15,500.

VOTE: 3-0

Reviewed budget prior to finance committee meeting

Anticipated greater salary (Selectman Increase) \$4,000.00

Costs of utility values refunded by DOR request for reserve fund transfer

Meeting with Finance Committee

Reviewed budget (1% increase) advised salary lines per Treasurer calculations

(current salary plus recommended increase)

Reviewed professional service line items and costs of outside consultants for

Revaluation & system change

Discussed DOR mandate for valuation of utility accounts (2) at cost of \$2,000.00 per account for FY2021.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully Submitted Peter Barbieri