

MINUTES
BOARD OF ASSESSORS
8/31/2021

APPROVED:9.7.21

Assessors Business 5:00 PM: Present: Peter Barbieri, Chair; and Jeffrey Marshall.

Staff: Kathryn Peirce, Kevin Rudden

Abatement report to be signed-

Prior to the Governance discussion an abatement report was left for the Board to sign to abate 2 personal property bills that are un-collectable ch 59 sec 71. The Document was signed by a quorum.

Valuation update reports were also handed out for review. Kathy will have a report at the Board's next regular meeting.

Governance Meeting Convenes:

A meeting with the Governance Committee was convened at approximately 5:05 PM

Present from the Governance Committee virtually were: Sam Tyler, Chair; Paul Lebeau, Clerk; Len Engel; Scott McKechnie, Vice Chair, and Joan Shaughnessy

Present from the Board of Assessors were Peter Barbieri, Chair; and Jeffrey Marshall

Mary Greendale, Vice Chair arrived at 5:30 PM Peter Barbieri left the meeting at 6:00 PM

Staff present were: Kathryn Peirce, Principal Assessor who left the meeting at 6:00 PM and Kevin Rudden, Assistant Assessor

Governance discussion: Documents from the Governance Committee had been distributed prior to the meeting. The agenda, bylaw articles, and a selection guideline chart for various options for elected, appointed assessments and how to who might hire the Principal Assessor.

Proposed by-laws that would be brought before Town Meeting either in the fall or next spring.

The Committee discussed with the Assessors the method of hiring a Principal Assessor, the role of the Assessors in that process and whether the Assessors should be appointed or elected.

The consensus of the Board of Assessors is that the Board should be Elected. Mary Greendale indicated that she thought the Principal Assessor should be appointed by the Town Administrator with input from the Assessors.

CLOSING OF MEETING:

Jeffrey Marshall made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to hold a board meeting at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, 9/7, with Kathy to cancel if the meeting is not needed. Unanimous. 2-0-0

Jeffrey Marshall requested that Kathy e-mail him the valuation update reports.

Jeffrey Marshall made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Unanimous 2-0-0