Minutes

Board of Assessors

Room 105 Tuesday, March 29, 2022 5:00 PM

The meeting convened at 5:06 PM in Room 105. Present were: Board members: Peter Barbieri, chair, Mary Greendale, and Jeffrey Marshall. Staff: Kathryn Peirce and Kevin Rudden. Guest: Lisa Rodrigues (applicant for Assistant Assessor position).

- 1. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve the March 22, 2022 regular session and executive session meeting minutes as written, with authorization to make the executive session minutes public. The motion carried 3-0-0.
- 2. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve the 2016 Recommitment #244 for Motor Vehicle Excise taxes in the amount of \$21.88. The motion carried 3-0-0.
- 3. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve the 2017 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Recommitment #245 in the amount of \$43.75. The motion carried 3-0-0.
- 4. Mary Greendale made a motion at 5:10 PM, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to go into Executive Session to discuss abatements, and subsequently to return to public session. The roll call vote on the motion was 3-0-0.
- 5. The board resumed its public session at 5:20 PM. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to ratify the board's votes taken during the Executive Session. The motion carried 3-0-0.
- 6. Board members reviewed the amounts of fees charged for Abutter List preparation throughout Middlesex County and also in Milford to determine if Holliston should raise

its \$50 fee. Jeffrey Marshall made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to change the current \$50 fee to \$2 per name, with a minimum fee of \$50 and a maximum fee of \$100. The motion carried 3-0-0.

7. Board members discussed their meetings to discuss the six proposed Annual Town Meeting warrant articles with the Select Board at 7:00 PM on Monday, April 4, and with the Finance Committee at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, April 5. Peter Barbieri plans to attend both meetings.

A motion was made by Jeffrey Marshall, seconded by Mary Greendale, to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM. The motion carried: 3-0-0.

APPROVED FOR RELEASE TO PUBLIC ON 4/5/22

Executive Session Minutes

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Room 105 Tuesday, March 29, 2022 5:10 PM

- 1. The board convened in executive session at 5:10 PM.
- 2. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to deny Real Estate Abatement applications #17 and #18 because the applicant submitted no data to back up his claims of being over-assessed. The motion carried 3-0-0.
- 3. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to deny Real Estate Abatement application #23 because the applicant submitted no data to back up his assertion of value. The motion carried 3-0-0.
- 4. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to grant a \$64,325 assessment abatement (\$1,117.97 in property taxes) to Real Estate Abatement application #24 and a \$109,525 assessment abatement (\$1,903.54 in property taxes) to Real Estate Abatement Application #25. The amounts are the proportionate shares of the drop in land values caused by combining the two parcels into one. The motion carried 3-0-0.
- 5. Mary Greendale made a motion at 5:20 PM, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to end the Executive Session. The roll call vote on the motion was 3-0-0.