

Minutes

Board of Assessors

Room 105

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

5:00 PM

The meeting convened at 5:00 PM in Room 105. Present were: Board members: Peter Barbieri, chair, Mary Greendale and Jeffrey Marshall. Staff: Kevin Rudden.

1. Jeffrey Marshall made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to approve the meeting minutes for the April 4, 2022 meeting with the Select Board as written. The motion carried 3-0-0.
2. Jeffrey Marshall made a motion, seconded by Peter Barbieri, to approve the April 5, 2022 regular session and executive session meeting minutes as written, with authorization to make the executive session minutes public. The motion carried 2-0-1 (Mary Greendale abstained).
3. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve the meeting minutes for the April 5, 2022 meeting with the Finance Committee as written. The motion carried 2-0-1 (Peter Barbieri abstained).
4. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve the following: (1) 2009 Motor Vehicle Excise Recommitment #247 for \$43.75, (2) 2009 Motor Vehicle Excise Recommitment #248 for \$75.00, (3) Motor Vehicle Excise 210 Recommitment #249 for \$43.75, (4) March, 2022 Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Abatements in the amount of \$140.44, (5) March, 2022 Property Tax abatements in the amount of \$89.71 in Community Preservation and \$5,980.45 in Real Estate taxes, and (6) March, 2022 Personal Property Tax abatements in the amount of \$719.53. The motion carried 3-0-0.

5. Mary Greendale made a motion at 5:09 PM, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to go into Executive Session to discuss exemptions and abatements, and subsequently to return to public session. The roll call vote on the motion was 3-0-0.
6. The board resumed its public session at 5:30 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.
7. Kevin Rudden conveyed Town Administrator Travis Ahern's request that one member of the board participate in a "Walk-Thru of the [Annual Town Meeting] Warrant" scheduled for 3:00 PM on Wednesday, May 4 at Town Hall.
8. Board members discussed the procedure for hiring a new Assistant Assessor. Assistant Town Administrator/HR Kathleen Buckley requested that board members send desired interview questions to her. Peter Barbieri and Jeffrey Marshall would like to see the resumes of qualified applicants and interview them. Mary Greendale said she has no issues with Human Resources, Kathryn Peirce and Kevin Rudden interviewing and selecting someone for the position.

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

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Executive Session Minutes

Board of Assessors

Room 105

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

5:09 PM

1. The board convened in executive session at 5:09 PM. Present were: Board members: Peter Barbieri, chair, Mary Greendale and Jeffrey Marshall. Staff: Kevin Rudden.
2. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve an “8 of 58” [Clause 8 of MGL Chapter 58] application for a \$3,672.60 property tax abatement being made by the staff to correct a Fiscal Year 2021 over-assessment. The motion carried 3-0-0.
3. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve deferral application #4 (\$5,794.49). The motion carried 3-0-0.
4. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall to approve Veterans’ exemption application #56 (Clause 22E – \$1,000). The motion carried 3-0-0.
5. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to deny Real Estate abatement applications #6 and 7 because the applicant submitted no date to back up assertion of value. The motion carried 3-0-0.
6. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to deny Real Estate abatement application #4 because the applicant failed to make its case for a reduction. The motion carried 3-0-0.

7. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to approve a \$297,214 abatement in value (\$5,165.68 reduction in property taxes for Real Estate abatement application #16. The motion carried 2-0-0 (Peter Barbieri abstained).

8. Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Jeffrey Marshall, to end the Executive Session at 5:30 PM. The roll call vote on the motion was 3-0-0.