### **Elderly and Disabled Taxation Committee**

## April 15, 2014

# 5:30 p.m. -Pinecrest Room

Present: John Hunt

Brian Loughlin, Chair, Board of Assessors - left meeting at 5:50

Mary Bousquet, Treasurer/Collector

James Lane

Laura Matz

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

# **Review of Tax Relief Applications**

Applicant #1 8F06036

This is the first time this applicant has applied to the program. Mary Bousquet explained that the applicant is handicapped had been trying to work but was unable to do so because of her disability. Her taxes are paid by her mortgage company but she is struggling to make her payments.

Motion was made by John Hunt to grant assistance in the amount of \$569.27, Seconded by Brian Laughlin. Vote: Unanimous

#### Applicant #2 11G4008

Mary Bousquet explained that this applicant is fully disabled and restricted to a wheelchair, receiving disability thru SSI and does leave his family home except to attend doctor's appointments. He did receive fuel assistance this year through SMOC. He has nerve damage to arms and legs.

Motion made by Brian Loughlin to grant assistance in the amount of \$451.98, Seconded by Jim lane. Vote: Unanimous

# Applicant #3 0603039N

Mary Bousquet explained that the husband, Alfred, is deceased and the applicant has a 43 year old disabled son who lives with her and a 37 year old son who does paying and is laid off during the winter months but works spring and summer. Both sons sometimes contribute to the household expenses but not on a regular basis.

The committee requested that copies of the latest tax returns be obtained on both sons before a decision is made on this application.

Mary Bousquet explained that both applicants are still working and their son and his family is living with them. Their son has a full time job and their daughter-in-law is working part time. Neither the son nor daughter-in-law contribute to the household expenses. The applicant did not file for any exemptions with the Board of Assessors. They did try but missed the deadline of March 25.

Motion made by Jim Lane do deny assistance because the income is too high, Seconded by John Hunt.

Vote: Unanimous

Applicant #5 0802005H

Mary Bousquet explained that the applicant has deferred the taxes for FY14 and no taxes are due.

Motion made by John Hunt to deny assistance, Seconded by Jim Lane. Vote: Unanimous

Applicant #6 8F09023

Mary Bousquet explained that the taxes are paid in full for FY14 because of a hardship and elderly exemptions granted by the Board of Assessors.

Motion made by John Hunt to deny assistance, Seconded by Jim Lane. Vote: Unanimous

Applicant #7 0602057

Mary Bousquet explained that the taxes are paid in full for FY14 because of a full hardship exemption from the Board of Assessors.

Motion made by Laura Matz do deny assistance, Seconded by John Hunt. Vote: Unanimous

Applicant #8 0603073

Mary Bousquet explained that the taxes are paid in full for FY14 because of a hardship and elderly exemption granted by the Board of Assessors.

Motion made by Jim Lane to deny assistance, Seconded by Laura Matz. Vote: Unanimous

#### Minutes of May 28, 2013

A motion was made by Jim Lane to approve the minutes of May 28, 2013, Seconded by Laura Matz.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion by Jim Lane to adjourn the meeting at 6:15, Seconded by John Hunt. Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Bousquet, Treasurer/Collector

MINUTES APPROVED ON 6/17/2014