

Approved: 5-16-19

Holliston Board of Assessors April 25, 2019 8:00 am Selectmen's Meeting Room #105

The meeting of the Board of Assessors was called to order at 8:00 AM. Present were: Peter Barbieri, Chair; Mary Greendale, Vice Chair; Lesley Kennally, Clerk; Kathryn Peirce, Principal Assessor; Kelly Schorr, Assistant Assessor.

The Board signed:

- Supplemental Assessments in the amount of \$475.23.
- Payroll ending 4/26/19 in the amount of 3500.71.
- Payroll ending 4/19/19 in the amount of 3,452.41
- Notices of Commitment:
 - 2016 #192 in the amount of \$153.75
 - o 2016 #193 in the amount of \$6.25
 - 2014 #190 in the amount of \$495.00
 - o 2016 #194 in the amount of \$688.95
 - 2015 #191 in the amount of \$246.25
- Employee change form 2018. Salary reduced from \$21.90 to \$20.05. Status change from PT to Temp PT.
- Bills Payable for NRAAO Conference invoice to 57100 in the amount of \$485.00.

The Board considered:

- Abatement #3 was Deemed Denied at the 4-12-19 meeting. The owner wants to appeal that to the Board. M. Greendale and L. Kennally had voted to deem denied, because the *condition* had not changed. The owner missed the deadline last year. K. Schorr visited the property and dropped the condition. For next week, K. Schorr and K. Peirce will come back to show if adjustments were made to acknowledge the change in condition. It may have dropped by 5% but condos rose by 10%. The Board needs to be clear about what happened, and then the owner can be answered about meeting with the Board.
- Norfolk Street, the Koshivas Farm: 2 lots. The Board makes no recommendation to the Town on acquisition by the Town under 61A.

Abatements:

#2 and #21. 6 Deer Run, 10 Deer Run, and 14 Deer Run. Deer Run was designated as very high end, so the houses were graded as excellent. There is an inconsistency in grades. K. Peirce recommended a change, and the Board voted to change all to VE from E, based on the recommended values.

MOTION, M. Greendale. Second. L. Kennally

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• #13. 10 Winston Road. There were some corrections. The condition was lowered from Average-Good to Fair-Average. The Board voted to revise the assessment to \$69,600.

MOTION, M. Greendale. Second. L. Kennally

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• #23 and #29. Summitpointe Road. The owner wants two lots, not four, at full value *Denied*. He can do four houses in a year. K. Peirce will clarify this.

MOTION, L. Kennally. Second M. Greendale.

VOTE: 2-0-1 to deny. P. Barbieri abstaining.

• #26. 1380 Washington Street The area is wetland, not buildable. The Board adjusted the value **to** \$1800.

MOTION, Second.

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• #27. 1380 Washington Street. Denied

MOTION, Second.

VOTE: 3-0-0 to deny.

• #10. 418 Washington Street. Denied. The owner has not provided Income and Expense information. Application for abatement is denied until the information is provided.

MOTION, L. Kennally. Second P. Barbieri.

VOTE: 3-0-0 to deny.

• #11. 84 October Hill Rd. P. Barbieri abstained. On the Income and Expense forms, representatives of the owners send numbers, and then the tenants send their own numbers. The owner of record provided different numbers. Deemed denied as of 4/28/19. The Board will invite him to come in.

MOTION, L. Kennally. Second M. Greendale

VOTE: 2-0-1 to deem denied. P. Barbieri abstaining.

• #12. 0 Bartzak. Deemed Denied. This piece is vacant.

MOTION, Second.

VOTE: 3-0-0 to deem denied.

 #15. 76 Railroad Street. This was inspected on 2/27/19 and recently sold. FY 19 value is \$443,100. They provided the Income and Expense form. There is a lot of deferred maintenance. The Board agreed with K. Peirce's recommendation to abate to \$374,000.

MOTION, M. Greendale. Second. L. Kennally

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• #16. 441 Washington Street. Denied. The Income and Expense documentation does not justify a reduction.

MOTION, Second.

VOTE: 3-0-0 to deny.

• #18. Forest Park Drive. Denied. The person who filed for abatement has not stake/ownership in the property, but is a third party with no standing.

MOTION, L. Kennally. Second M. Greendale VOTE: 3-0-0 *to deny*.

• #30. Herb Chambers Denied. P. Barbieri abstained. No information is provided. The owner wants the Town to commit to no increase in assessment next year.

MOTION, Second.

VOTE: 3-0-0 to deny.

Exemptions:

• Deferral #6. Granted in the amount of \$5,289.35.

MOTION, L. Kennally. Second M. Greendale.

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• CPA Exemption #32. Granted in the amount of \$51.10.

MOTION, M. Greendale. Second. L. Kennally

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• Hardship Exemption #22. P. Barbieri suggested \$1.500. M. Greendale suggested \$2,000. Granted. MOTION, M. Greendale. Second. L. Kennally

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• Clause 18 Hardship Exemption #9. Approved \$2,000.

MOTION, Second.

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

• Clause 18 Hardship Exemption #8. P. Barbieri suggested the Board waive the balance due in the amount of \$2,938.14.

MOTION, P. Barbieri, Second M. Greendale.

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

Clause 18 Hardship Exemption #7. The applicant is eligible for other reductions. The Board suggests she be encouraged to apply for them. She owes \$3,369.16. P. Barbieri suggested exempting \$2,000.
MOTION, P. Barbieri, Second M. Greendale.
VOTE: 2-0-0 in favor.

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM

Respectfully submitted, Mary Greendale