Minutes

Board of Assessors

Room 105 Tuesday, February 7, 2023

5:00 PM

The meeting convened at 5:03 PM in Room 105. Present were: Board members: Mary Greendale, chair, and Stephen Wang. Staff: Kevin Rudden and Sherrie Bates.

- 1. Stephen Wang made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to approve the minutes for the January 31, 2023 board meeting and the January 31, 2023 executive session, as well as releasing the executive session minutes to the public. The motion carried 2-0-1 ((Jeffrey Marshall was not present).
- 2. Mary Greendale and Stephen Wang signed the PILOT agreement for the 39 Marshall Street solar array project.
- 3. Kevin Rudden reported that Town Administrator Travis Ahern has not yet told him about any reductions to the proposed FY2024 budget. The board is scheduled to discuss the budget with the Select Board on February 13, 2023 and with the Finance Committee on February 28, 2023. Mary Greendale requested that Kevin Rudden attend the meeting with the Select Board. She also asked him to try to set up a meeting with our Finance Committee liaison members prior to February 28.
- 4. Kevin Rudden informed board members that:

Town Accountant Sharon Emerick will be leaving at the end of the month to work for another town;

A new process for supplemental tax bills will start this year: Letters to homeowners who will be getting supplementals will be sent this week to let them know that bills will be mailed to them in early April;

Letters will be sent to people whose abatement requests are being denied that mention the specific reasons for the denial and explain the denial in terms of the issues raised in each application; and

The Department of Revenue has denied the 8 of 58 request for 339 South Street.

- 5. Stephen Wang made a motion at 5:18 PM, seconded by Mary Greendale, to enter into an Executive Session to discuss confidential exemption and abatement application information, with the intent to return to public session only for the purposes of ratifying any actions taken in that executive session and then adjourning. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 2-0-1.
- 6. The board returned to public session at 5:48 PM. Stephen Wang made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to ratify the actions taken during Executive Session. The motion carried 2-0-1.

Stephen Wang made a motion at 5:50 PM, seconded by Mary Greendale, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 2-0-1.