

Town of Fairhaven
Massachusetts
BOARD OF ASSESSORS
Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2021

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PRESENT: Secretary, Delfino Garcia read the following: Present at this meeting are the following: Chair Ronnie Manzone, Board of Assessor; Pamela Davis, Board of Assessor; Ellis Withington, Board of Assessor; and Principal Assessor Delfino Garcia as Secretary for the Board of Assessor.

Secretary, Delfino Garcia read the following: Present at this meeting via Zoom are the following: Chair Ronnie Manzone, Board of Assessor; Pamela Davis, Board of Assessor; Ellis Withington, Board of Assessor; and Principal Assessor Delfino Garcia as Secretary for the Board of Assessor.

MEETING TO COME TO ORDER:

The Secretary read the following statement:

"Ensuring public access does not ensure public participation unless such participation is required by law. This meeting will allow public comment related to the posted agenda items only. For this meeting, the Fairhaven Board of Assessors is convening by telephone conference/video conference via the Zoom App as posted on the Town's Website identifying how the public may join."

Call to order and reading of Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 10(F).

Secretary read the following statement:

Pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, any person may make an audio or video recording of this public meeting or may transmit the meeting through any medium. Attendees are therefore advised that such recordings or transmissions are being made whether perceived or unperceived by those present and are deemed acknowledged and permissible.

CHAIR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Can I have a motion from the board to open the session and call the meeting to order.

Motion made by:  Ellis B. Withington

Any second?  Pam Davis

Any discussions? None

Hearing none, we will now have a ROLL CALL.

CHAIR: *When I state your name please respond that you are present and in favor of the motion to call the meeting to order by stating "Aye":*

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

Announcing minutes will be taken by Delfino Garcia, Secretary & Principal Assessor.

Please confirm and state your name:

Delfino Garcia....Aye

The Chair will call the meeting in order of the Board of Assessors and the time right now is 6:10 p.m.

MINUTES:

Ronnie Manzone motioned to the board to disperse the reading of the minutes and executive minutes of the July 20, 2021 and August 17, 2021 meetings to be posted on the Assessor's Website.

Motion made by: **Pam Davis** Pam Davis

Any seconded: **Ronnie Manzone** Ronnie Manzone

Any discussions: None

Hearing none, we will now have a **ROLL CALL**.

When I state your name please respond with Aye in favor to the motion:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to sign the meeting minutes of July 20, 2021 and August 17, 2021.

BILLS PAYABLE:

The following invoices were reviewed by the board.

Patriot Properties - \$2,800

Patriot Properties - \$5,000

Patriot Properties - \$2,450

MAAO Dues - \$250.00

Can I have a motion from the board to accept the bills incurred to date:

Motion made by: **Pam Davis** Pam Davis

Any second: **Ellis B. Withington** Ellis B. Withington

Any discussions: None

Hearing none, we will now have a **ROLL CALL**.

When I state your name please respond Aye in favor to the motion:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to accept and sign the bills to date.

WARRANTS:

There are no Warrants.

MONTH END REPORTS:

The following Month End Reports of abatements and exemptions to be signed:

1. Motor Vehicle Abatements - \$2,557.14 -Date: 9/2/21 / Batch: September #1
2. Motor Vehicle Abatements - \$2,023.11 - Date: 9/14/21 / Batch: September #1
3. Boat Abatements - \$88.00 - Date: 9/21/21 / Batch: BoatsSept1

Can I have a motion from the board to accept the Month End Report:

Motion made by: **Pam Davis** Pam Davis

Any second: [Redacted] Ronnie Manzone

Any discussions: None

Hearing none, we will now have a **ROLL CALL**.

When I state your name please respond Aye in favor to the motion:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to accept and sign the Month End Reports to date.

BETTERMENTS:

The following betterment were paid in full and require signatures:

1. 22 Sedgewick Rd - \$3,080.70

Pam Davis

[Redacted] motioned to sign the betterment.

Motion made by: [Redacted] Ellis B. Withington

Any second: [Redacted] Ronnie Manzone

Any discussions: None

Hearing none, we will now have a **ROLL CALL**.

When I state your name please respond Aye in favor to the motion:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to sign the betterment.

CORRESPONDENCE:

County Tax assessed for Fairhaven

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

EXEMPTIONS:

1 VA22 Denial - to be discussed in Executive Session - Denied by the Board of Assessors

1 Commission for the blind - excise tax exemption to be discussed in Executive Session - Approved by the Board of Assessors

CHAPTER LAND:

None

APPELLATE TAX BOARD CASES:

ATB cases to be reviewed by the Board of Assessors will be in Executive Session.

2 new ATB cases filed by NSTAR Electric Company for FY21 to be discussed in Executive Session.

2 ATB cases withdrawn, no settlement

6 ATB cases are currently pending

NOTES and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Board of Assessors will be: - October 12, 2021 @ 6:00 PM.

PRIOR TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Prior to the Board of Assessors entering into Executive session, we will be discussing the following items:

1. VA22 denial - late filing
2. Commission for the blind - excise tax exemption

3. new ATB cases filed by NSTAR Electric Company for FY21

Other subjects of discussion or correspondence unable to be put on the agenda within the 48 hour rule will be discussed in the Executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Pursuant to MGL Ch. 30A ss 21(A): ADJOURNMENT

Secretary stated can we have a motion to adjourn the open session and enter into Executive Session and not return to Open Session pursuant to MGL c30A section 21(A)(7) and to review ATB matters pursuant to G.L. 30A section 21(a)(3) since discussion in public would be detrimental to the Town of Fairhaven Board of Assessors legal position.

Motion made by:  Pam Davis

Any second:  Ronnie Manzone

Any discussions: None

Hearing none, we will now have a **ROLL CALL**.

When I state your name please respond with Aye in favor to the motion:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

We will now go into the Executive Session and the time right now is 6:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

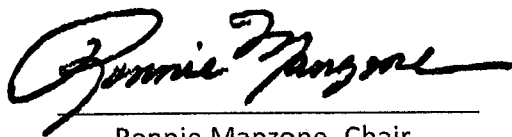
Delfino R. Garcia

Principal Assessor

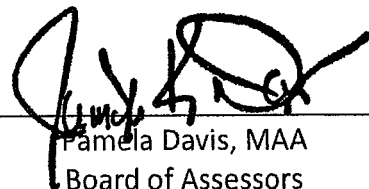
Secretary

Notary Public

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Ronnie Manzone, Chair
Board of Assessors


Pamela Davis, MAA
Board of Assessors