Town of Fairhaven Massachusetts BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Meeting Minutes November 9, 2021



In attendance at the meeting: Chair Ronnie Manzone, Board of Assessor; Pamela Davis, MAA, Board of Assessor; Ellis Withington, Board of Assessor; and Secretary & Principal Assessor, Delfino Garcia

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

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.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Do I hear a motion to call the meeting to order?

Motion made by:

Pamela Davis

Seconded by:

Ellis Withington

None

Are there any discussions?

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the Board of Assessors state their name, respond back as 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

The minutes will be taken by Delfino Garcia, Secretary & Principal Assessor and for Delfino Garcia to state his name and to confirm by stating present and by stating Aye:

Mr. Delfino Garcia stated present and Aye.

The meeting is called to order at 6:08 p.m.

MINUTES:

I make a motion to the Board of Assessors to disperse the reading of the minutes of the October 12, 2021 meeting to be posted on the Assessor's Website.

Motion made by:

Ellis Withington

Seconded by:

Pamela Davis

Are there any discussions? None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the Board of Assessors stating their name as present and respond back by stating "Aye" in favor to the motion to disperse the reading of the minutes and sign the meeting minutes by stating "Aye":

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington- Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to disperse the reading of the minutes and sign the meeting minutes of October 12, 2021.

BILLS PAYABLE:

The following invoices to be approved by the Board of Assessors:

- 1. Patriot Properties \$12,250, invoice number 216112, dated September 30, 2021 Patriot Assessment Services for September Progress Report
- 2. Patriot Properties \$8,050, invoice number 216920, dated October 31, 2021 Patriot Assessment Services for October

Do I hear a motion to accept and sign the incurred expenses voucher?

Motion made by:

Ronnie Manzone

Seconded by: Pamela Davis

Are there any discussions? None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the Board of Assessors stating their name as present and respond back by stating "Aye" in favor to the motion to accept the bills and sign the vouchers by stating "Aye":

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

Motion carried: 3 to 0

So moved to accept the bills and sign the voucher to date.

WARRANTS:

The following warrants to be signed by the Board of Assessors:

Boat Excise - Commitment #1 - \$48,668.00 - Bill date: 10/27/2021

Do I hear a motion to sign the Warrants to date?

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions? None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the Board of Assessors stating their name as present and respond back by stating "Aye" in favor to the motion to sign the Warrants by stating "Aye":

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

Motion carries 3 to 0

So moved to sign the Warrants to date.

MONTH END REPORTS:

The following Abatement Month End Reports to be signed by the Board of Assessors:

1. Motor Vehicle Abatements - \$2,283.56 - Date: 10/26/2021 / Batch: October #2

2. Motor Vehicle Abatements - \$218.43 - Date: 11/04/2021 /Batch: November #1

Do I hear a motion to sign the Month End Report?

Motion made by:

Ellis Withington

Seconded by: Pamela Davis

Are there any discussions?

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the Board of Assessors stating their name as present and respond back by stating "Aye" in favor to the motion to sign the the Month End Reports by stating "Aye":

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

The motion carries: 3

to 0

So moved to sign the Month End Reports to date.

BETTERMENTS:

The following Betterment Warrant to be signed by the Board of Assessors:

1. Payoff - Jerusalem Rd. - 10/19/2021 - \$3,093.59

Do I hear a motion to sign the Betterment Warrant?

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions?

None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the Board of Assessors stating their name as present and respond back by stating "Aye" in favor to the motion to sign the Betterment Warrant by stating "Aye":

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

Motion carries 3 to 0

So moved to sign the Betterment Warrant.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

EXEMPTIONS:

Any exemptions to be discussed and reviewed by the Board of Assessors in Executive Session.

CHAPTER LAND:

None to be discussed.

APPELLATE TAX BOARD CASES:

All open Appellate Tax Board (ATB) cases to be reviewed and discussed in Executive Session.

We currently have 6 ATB cases currently pending and there are no ATB cases scheduled for hearings in the next 3 months.

NOTES and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Board of Assessors meeting will be held on December 14, 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:

- 2 VA22 First Time applications
- 1 VA22E First Time application

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

The Board of Assessors will now enter into Executive Session and will not return to Open Session pursuant to MGL c30A section 21(A)(7) and to review Appellate Tax Board 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.

Do I hear a motion from the Board of Assessors to enter into the Executive Session and not return to the open session?

Motion made by:

Ellis Withington

Seconded by: Pamela Davis

Are there any discussions?

None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the Board of Assessors stating their name as present and respond back by stating "Aye" in favor to Executive Session and not return to the open session:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Motion carries: 3 to 0

The Board of Assessors will now go into the Executive Session and will not return to open session, and the time now is 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Delfino R. Garcia **Principal Assessor** Secretary **Notary Public** Board of Assessors / Date of Filing: December 14, 2021

Ronnie Manzone, Chair **Board of Assessors**

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Pamela Davis, MAA Board of Assessors