Fairhaven Board of Assessors

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December 13, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT:

Meeting attendance were the following: Ronnie Manzone, Chairman, Board of Assessor; Pamela Davis, MAA, Board of Assessor and Principal Assessor Del Garcia, Secretary. Ellis Withington was excused due to illness.

CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Ronnie Manzone, Chair, motioned the meeting to order in the Assessor's Department at 3:30 PM and 2nd it by Pamela Davis; announcing minutes were being taken by Del Garcia, Secretary.

MINUTES:

The minutes of November 5, 2018 meeting were read by the Chairman Ronnie Manzone and motion made by the Chairman to sign said minutes and Pamela Davis seconded the motion. No discussion, so moved to sign the minutes. Vote to approve was unanimous. (2-0)

EXECUTIVE MINUTES:

No minutes from the previous session.

BILLS PAYABLE:

The following invoices were reviewed and signed by the Board of Assessors:

Patriot Properties - \$5,362.50 Staples - \$141.42 BCAA - \$40.00

MONTH END REPORTS:

Signed month-end reports including:

RE Exemptions – Batch 22D41C

MVX Abatements – November Batch #2

MVX Abatements – December Batch #1 & #2

Pending Exemptions – Real Estate Year-End Report

WARRANTS:

The following warrants were reviewed and initialed:

Betterment Payoff – 56 Thompson St. MVX Excise – Commitment #6

EXEMPTIONS:

Applications were reviewed for the following cases:

VA 22 First Time applicant – Map 2/Lot 85 22D Full Exemption Applications

CHAPTER LAND:

Lopes Solar Farm – Still a work in progress DeTerra Solar Farm – Still a work in progress

APPELLATE TAX BOARD CASES:

No cases on the docket.

ABATEMENT APPLICATIONS REVIEW:

No applications to be reviewed to date

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

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NEW BUSINESS:

FY18 BOA Annual Report was signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Principal Assessor attended the 107th Bristol County Assessors Association Meeting held on December 7, 2018 at the Fall River Country Club. Mr. Garcia discussed the following topics which included the "Smart Program" of renewable energy; tax deferral and recovery agreement; Legislative Agenda for FY2019 – 2020 and the valuation methods for Class 504 property.

The Board of Assessors agreed to move forward to obtain more Class 504 tax revenue from utilities and to also search for property appraisers in the field of expertise in assessment of utilities and the cost for the service.

Finally, it was noted by the Board of Assessors that Del Garcia, Principal Assessor has been elected as a member to the Executive Board of the BCAA.

NEXT MEETING:

The Board of Assessors checked their work calendars and agreed that our next regularly scheduled meeting will be on January 17, 2019 @ 3:30 pm.

ADJOURN:

Motioned to adjoin the Board of Assessors meeting was unanimous adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alilim K. Finda Delfino R. Garcia

Principal Assessor

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Ronnie Manzone, Chairman

Board of Assessors

Ellis Withington

Board of Assessors

Pamela K. Davis, MAA Board of Assessors