

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2008

(As Amended)

Chairman Charles W. Long called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM in the Assessors Office. Present were Caroline B. Akins and Wilfred J. Baranick, Members of the Board, and Karen MacTavish, Town Assessor.

1. Regular Business
 - Meeting minutes of April 23, 2008 were unanimously approved as submitted.
2. Organization of the Board/Elections and Appointments
 - By unanimous vote, Mr. Baranick was elected Chairman of the Board of Assessors for FY 2009.
 - By unanimous vote, Ms. MacTavish was appointed to the position of Town Assessor for FY 2009.
3. Performance Appraisals

Mr. Baranick will complete the performance appraisal (personnel evaluation form) for the Town Assessor. Karen MacTavish is working on the Assistant Town Assessor's evaluation.
4. Land Use Code Change – Lot 9, Centre Street

The Board reviewed and discussed the land use code on Lot 9, Centre Street, which was changed during the FY2008 revaluation. All members agreed that the parcel should retain the code utilized in prior years.
5. Next Meeting

The Board unanimously agreed to hold the next meeting on Wednesday, June 25, 2008 at 5:00 PM.

At 5:30 PM, it was moved by Mrs. Akins and seconded by Mr. Baranick to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation and reviewing abatement applications, and to return to open session by 6:00 PM for a meeting with Roland Packard. With three members voting, the motion was approved 3-0.

The Board returned to public session at 5:55 PM to meet with Roland Packard concerning his FY2008 abatement application with respect to 16 Hartford Street.

Mr. Long began discussion with Mr. Packard by giving an overview of the purpose of the meeting, explaining that the Board was planning to address a FY2008 appeal of the \$672,000 assessment determined for 16 Hartford Street during the recent revaluation. He described the Board's review and inspection of the property and cited a market analysis provided by Mr. Packard's real estate broker. He also stated that changes to the database resulted in an adjusted valuation of \$629,600, which could only be effective for the current fiscal year as the Board has no jurisdiction to address assessments from prior fiscal years.

It was moved by Mr. Baranick and seconded by Mrs. Akins to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 PM. With three members voting, the motion was approved 3-0.