

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2009

Chairman Caroline B. Akins called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM in the Assessors Office. Present were Board Members Wilfred J. Baranick and Charles W. Long and Town Assessor Karen MacTavish.

1. Regular Business

- Meeting minutes from November 19, 2009 and November 23, 2009 were unanimously approved as submitted.

2. Town Meeting Warrant

The Board discussed possible articles for the Annual Town Meeting in May 2010. These must be submitted to the Selectmen by Friday, January 22, 2010, which is the date the warrant closes.

3. Tax Rate

The Board reviewed, discussed, and unanimously approved estimates for the FY10 overlay and estimated local receipts components of the tax rate. In conjunction with rental income, additional discourse focused on town takeover of the new cell tower and annual rents from co-locators.

4. FY2011 Budget

By unanimous vote, the Board approved a level-funded expense budget and salary increases recommended by the Selectmen.

5. Classified Land Approvals

By unanimous vote, FY 2011 applications for classification under the provisions of Chapters 61 and 61B were approved for the following properties:

Chapter 61, Forest Land

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| 225 Dedham Street (07-027, 07-027A, 07-028, 07-029B) | 22.86 acres |
| 47 Farm Street (10-013) | 50.60 acres |
| 36 Farm Street (10-038, 10-040) | 14.52 acres |
| 95 Centre Street (11-123) | 10.00 acres |
| Farm Street (15-022) | 30.70 acres |

Chapter 61B, Recreational Land

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| Cranberry Lane (05-145, 05-145A) | 8.497 acres |
| Dedham Street (07-012B, 07-013) | 10.22 acres |
| 39 Farm Street (10-015) | 5.50 acres |
| 20 Pegan Lane (10-030) | 5.55 acres |
| 84 Strawberry Hill Street (13-009) | 38.42 acres |

5. Classified Land Approvals (continued)

Chapter 61B, Recreational Land

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| Bridge Street (15-008, 15-008A, 15-008B, 15-008C) | 20.52 acres |
| Centre Street (17-034A, 17-034B, 17-034C) | 15.75 acres |
| 181 Centre Street (21-051, 21-055) | 40.10 acres |

6. Next Meeting

The Board unanimously agreed to schedule the next regular meeting for Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 5:00 PM.

At 5:45 PM, it was moved by Mrs. Akins and seconded by Mr. Baranick to adjourn the meeting to enter executive session for the purpose of reviewing applications for classification under the provisions of Chapter 61A. With three members voting, the motion was approved, 3-0.

The Board returned to public session at 6:15 PM to report on actions taken during their executive session as follows:

FY 2011 Classified Land Approvals (Chapter 61A):

16 applications approved (unanimous)

It was moved by Mrs. Akins and seconded by Mr. Long to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM to attend the Selectmen's annual classification hearing, during which the Assessors are required to present their recommendations. With three members voting, the motion was approved 3-0.