

# BOARD OF ASSESSORS

## Meeting Minutes June 10, 2009

Chairman Wilfred J. Baranick called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM in the Assessors Office. Present were Caroline B. Akins and Charles W. Long, Members of the Board, and Karen MacTavish, Town Assessor.

1. Regular Business

- Meeting minutes from April 15, 2009, May 6, 2009, and May 20, 2009 were reviewed and unanimously approved.

2. Septic Betterment – 129 Centre Street, 17-013

By unanimous vote, the Assessors approved and endorsed a warrant for payment in full of an apportioned septic betterment in the amount of \$12,667.81 applicable to the property located at 129 Centre Street.

3. Field Work

Judith Sambor has begun field inspections in conjunction with an extension to her 2008 contract. This year she will be charging \$1 less per parcel due to a decrease in the price of gasoline.

4. Personnel

The Board unanimously approved the personnel evaluation form completed by Mrs. Akins with respect to Karen MacTavish's job performance in FY 2009.

5. Office Hours

Discussion was held concerning currently advertised office hours, which have been in effect for more than thirty years. Since the department is staffed on a full time basis, the Board unanimously agreed it is appropriate to modify the published schedule to reflect actual availability as follows:

Monday through Thursday - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Friday - 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon

6. State Owned Land

The Commissioner of Revenue's proposed fair cash valuation of state owned land eligible for reimbursement as of January 1, 2009 was reviewed. The new figure represents a decrease of almost \$4 million since the Commissioner's last determination in 2005, due, in part, to a reduction of approximately 36 acres in the size of the parcel. The land was sold to the Dover-Sherborn Regional School District in 2004 for future expansion of the playing fields.

