

# BOARD OF ASSESSORS

## Meeting Minutes November 21, 2013

Chairman Caroline B. Akins called the meeting to order at 5:07 PM in the Assessors Office. Present were Board Members Caroline M. C. White and Charles W. Long and Town Assessor Karen MacTavish.

1. Regular Business

- By unanimous vote, the Board approved meeting minutes from October 23, 2013.
- Motor Vehicle Excise tax warrant #6 of 2013 was reviewed and endorsed.

2. Rollback Taxes

A rollback tax certificate was reviewed and endorsed for the property known as Lot 2, Pegan Lane and a portion of 36 Pegan Lane.

It was determined that there is no rollback liability for the property located at 36-38 Farm Street unless the new owner wishes to release the existing lien before the 5-year exposure period expires.

3. Mapping

By a majority vote of 2-1 with Mrs. Akins dissenting, the Board decided to include property record card information online in conjunction with the Town's GIS program.

4. Property Tax Abatement – Conservation Commission

Under the provisions of Chapter 59, §72A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Board unanimously approved an abatement as of the date of closing (October 11, 2013) of the unpaid taxes for the property known as Lot 3, Dedham Street and Lot 92-1A, Off Dedham Street. These parcels were conveyed to the Conservation Commission when the town chose to exercise its right of first refusal under Chapter 61A, §14.

5. Revaluation - 2015

By unanimous vote, the Board agreed to include both Real and Personal Property as a package in the bidding documents for the FY2015 revaluation.

6. Interim Year Update

The Board unanimously approved proposed assessments for FY2014 and authorized Karen MacTavish to submit interim year update and tax rate recap forms to the Department of Revenue on behalf of the Assessors.

7. Tax Rate

Estimates for the FY2014 tax rate recap form were discussed.

8. FY2015 Budget

The Board reviewed and discussed FY2015 budget estimates.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at 5:00. Dr. White will not be able to attend. This meeting date was subsequently changed to December 11, 2013 at 4:00 PM.

**At 5:50 PM, it was moved by Mr. Long and seconded by Dr. White to adjourn the meeting to enter executive session to review applications for chapter land classification and discuss Appellate Tax Board matters. With three members voting, the motion was approved, 3-0.**

**The Board returned to public session at 6:25 PM to report on actions taken during their executive session as follows:**

FY2015 Chapter 61A Classified Land:                      2 applications approved (unanimous)

**It was moved by Mr. Long and seconded by Dr. White to adjourn the meeting to attend the Selectmen's Classification hearing. With three members voting, the motion was approved 3-0.**