

Board of Assessors Minutes
Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.
Assessors Conference Room, 60 Center Square, East Longmeadow, MA

Present: Martin Grudgen, Chairman; Marilyn Ghedini, Assessor; J. William Johnston, Clerk of the Board and Diane L. Bishop, Director of Assessing

Mr. Grudgen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Mr. Grudgen stated in accordance with M.G. Laws Chapter 30A, Section 20, this meeting is being recorded ELCAT and our office.

Meeting Minutes: Mr. Johnston reviewed the minutes from the meeting held on January 12, 2022 and found them to be in order as to form and content and moved they be accepted. Ms. Ghedini made a motion to accept. Mr. Johnston seconded. Motion passes 2-0.

Administrative:

Warrants: The Board reviewed and signed the following Warrants:

- 2021 Motor Vehicle Excise Commitment 6 in the amount of \$10,042.58
- 2022 Motor Vehicle Excise Commitment 1 in the amount of \$1,905,688.40
- FY22 Supplemental Real Estate Tax in the amount of \$51,804.60
- FY22 Supplemental CPA Surcharge in the amount of \$499.69

Reports: The board reviewed and signed when necessary the following monthly reports:

- Motor Vehicle Excise Abatement Report for January (2020 & 2021)-\$968.06
- FY2022 Real Estate Exemption Report (January)-\$6,900.00 (CPA Exempted-\$69.00)
- Notice to Accountant
- LA-3 Sales Report for the month of January: Ms. Bishop mentioned two sales will be due to incorrect coding. Mr. Grudgen questioned one sale on one street where two and states the sales will continue to be high before it gets better.
- BP Report for the month of January: It was noted there was one new dwelling for the month of building January. Mr. Grudgen questioned the actual dollar amounts that are reported on the permit report.
- Director's Report:
 - 2022 Motor Vehicle Excise Bills: The office has seen an uptick in traffic and phone calls since the 2022 Excise bills were mailed on February 7, 2022. There were approximately 15,500 bills sent out! A taxpayer may apply for an MVE abatement providing they have transferred the title to another party and either transferred or canceled their registration. If a taxpayer moves within Massachusetts during the calendar year they pay the municipality where they resided on January 1st. If a taxpayer moves out of Massachusetts, they may apply for an abatement by completing the application and providing the MA registration cancellation and their new registration in the state where they now reside. If a taxpayer needs assistance, we are available Monday through Friday 8-4. The town offices are open to the public and able to assist taxpayers in person, by phone or email; whichever is the most convenient for the taxpayers! All excise bill mailed on February 7, 2022 are due by March 9, 2022.
 - FY23 Form of List and 3ABC Forms: The deadline for returning the FY23 Form of Lists and 3 ABC forms is March 1, 2022. If a taxpayer needs a form they should look on the Assessors webpage under Forms or give us a call, we would be happy to mail or email a form!

Apportionment of Tax on Divided Real Estate: This apportionment affected three preexisting parcels of land consisting of Parcel ID's 3B-40-618, 3B-42-565, 3B-41-567. Due to a land reconfiguration as the January 1, 2021 assessment date, a reapportionment of taxes was requested by the original owner of the land. These reapportionments do not change the original assessed value or tax but apportions the original

tax to the portion of the land purchased by the new owners. Due to the timing of this request, the reapportionment was individually approved by each board member in order to expediate this request prior to the February 1st tax due date and reconfirmed at this meeting.

61A Chapter land Tax Lien Release-43 South Bend Road (54-6-0): A Chapter 61A Tax Lien Release was reviewed with each board member to appear before our a Notary to have this document notarized for recording at the Hampden County Registry of Deeds. There is no rollback associated with this release as the taxpayer has not received any Chapterland benefit in the previous 5 years.

Mr. Grudgen made a motion to go into executive session at 4:50 p.m. to discuss MVE Abatement Applications, RE Abatement and Exemption applications, ATB appeals only to return to open session to record our votes and adjourn. The following roll call was taken. Mr. Johnston, Yes; Ms. Ghedini, Yes; Mr. Grudgen, Yes. Motion passes 3-0

The board returned to open session at 6:00 p.m. to record our votes as follows:

The following list is the votes of the Board of Assessors on all Motor Vehicle applications put before them. A motion was made by Mr. Grudgen and seconded by Ms.Ghedini. Motion passed 3-0.

Year	Bill# or Plate	Name	BOA Action
2021	6346	Honda Lease Trust	Denied
2022	Farm Plate	Bilton	Granted
2022	Farm Plate	Turnberg	Granted
2022	Farm Plate	Burney	Granted

The following list is the votes of the Board of Assessors on all RE Statutory exemption applications put before the board. A motion was made by Mr. Grudgen and seconded by Ms. Ghedini. Motion passed 3-0.

	Parcel ID	Location	Abt/Exemption	Claus e	Date	BOA Action
1	12B-9-141	185 Gates Av	Exemption	22D	2-16-2022	Granted
2	58-24-0	60 Allen St	Exemption	41C	2-16-2022	Granted
3	74-24-18	53 High Pine Cr	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
4	46-6-13	4 Theresa St	Exemption	22E	2-16-2022	Granted
5	6-67-70	8 Susan St	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
6	23-34-11	61 Harwich Rd	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
7	72-24-4	40 Tanglewood Dr	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
8	75-7-0	328 Parker St	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
9	75-7-0	328 Parker St	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
10	84-10-28	73 Holland Dr	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted

11	2A-54-611	89 Gerrard Av	Exemption	41C	2-16-2022	Granted
12	40-15-2	8 St Joseph Dr	Exemption	41C	2-16-2022	Granted
13	12A-59-15	20 Indiana St.	Exemption	22D	2-16-2022	Granted
14	71-42-29	125 Brookhaven Dr	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
15	63-1-15	22 Fernwood Dr	Exemption	41C	2-16-2022	Granted
16	25-168-25	33 Frankwyn St	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
17	6-63-50	93 Barrie Rd	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
18	7-76-66	5 Harris Dr	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
19	12B-14-130	139 Gates Ave	Exemption	17D	2-16-2022	Granted
20	57-10-36	25 Meadowlark Dr	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
21	15A-40-338	8 Maplehurst Av	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
22	2B-34-75	7 Mereline Av	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
23	87-31-42	8 Pioneer Cir	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
24	58-53-6	11 Allen St	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
25	16-3-12	55 Savoy Av	Exemption	22	2-16-2022	Granted
26	3B-31-666	45 Donald Av	Exemption	41C	2-16-2022	Granted
27	35-26-2	249 Elm St	Exemption	37A	2-16-2022	Granted
28	49-70-14	24 Hillside Dr	Exemption	41C	2-16-2022	Granted

The following list is the votes of the Board of Assessors on all RE Abatement applications put before the board. A motion was made by Mr. Grudgen and seconded by Ms. Ghedini. Ms. Motion passed 3-0.

	Parcel ID	Location	Abt/Exemption	Clause	Date	BOA Action
1	42-9-0	450 Prospect St	Abatement	59	2-16-2022	Granted
2	4-69-4	261 Vineland Av	Abatement	59	2-16-2022	Granted
3	59-20-2	278 Porter Rd	Abatement	59/2D	2-16-2022	Granted
4	2-73-45	71 Wood Av	Abatement	59/2D	2-16-2022	Granted

5	51-55-29	132 Glynn Farms Rd	Abatement	59	2-16-2022	Denied
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The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Assessors will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Grudgen made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Ghedini seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

J.W. Johnston
Clerk of the Board

Documents Reviewed: Minutes; Warrants (4); MVE Abatement Report; RE Exemption Report; Notice to Accountant; LA-3 Sales Reports; Building Permit Reports; Director's Report; Apportionment of Tax on Divided Real Estate; Chapter 61A Lien Release; MVE Abatement application; RE Exemption and abatement applications, ATB documents.