

Board of Assessors Minutes
Wednesday, March 9, 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 February 16, 2022 and found them to be in order as to form and content and moved they be accepted. Mr. Grudgen made a motion to accept. Ms. Ghedini seconded. Motion passes 3-0.

Administrative:

Warrants:

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

- Motor Vehicle Excise Abatement Report for February (2020, 2021 & 2022)-\$7,927.82
- FY2022 Real Estate Exemption Report (February)-\$22,027.25 (CPA Exempted-\$163.79)
- FY2022 Real Estate Abatement Report (February)-\$4,865.49 (CPA Abated-\$48.65)
- LA-3 Sales Report for the month of February: Mr. Grudgen mentioned several large commercial sales which took place. Also noted the limited residential sales with very low ASR's which further indicates the low supply of home and the high demand which is resulting in high sale prices.

• Director's Report:

1. **FY23 Form of List and 3ABC Forms:** March 1, 2022 was the deadline for returning the FY23 Form of Lists and 3 ABC forms. If a taxpayer is in need of a form or possibility an extension, please give the office a call.
2. **Recertification Year 2023:** Ms. Bishop will begin meeting with our DOR Field Advisor and our Consultant to prepare for the FY23 Recertification. Beginning in April DOR will be reviewing at least 2% of all properties in town for data quality as we begin the recertification process.
3. **FY2023 Income and Expense forms:** These forms will be mailed to all commercial/industrial real property owners. It is extremely important to provide the best information to assist this office in determining fair & equitable assessments for all commercial properties. The forms will be sent on or about March 15th and will be due back on or about May 15th.
4. The Governor's Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures allows for an extension until July 15, 2022 for the remote meeting provisions. This will not have an effect on our office since we have been holding in meeting in person.

Mr. Grudgen made a motion to go into executive session at 4:40 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
2022	Section 8 Plate	Temporary Housing Inc	Granted
2021	5461	Goguen	Denied
2022	13259	Stateline Landscaping Inc	Denied

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	Clause	Date	BOA Action
1	82-3A-F	110 Somersville Rd	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
2	7-73-63	11 Harris Dr	Exemption	37A	3-9-2022	Granted
3	60-22-D	14 Rural Ln	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
4	32-19-30	82 Redin Dr	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
5	12-17-26	14 West Allen Ridge Rd	Exemption	41C	3-9-2022	Granted
6	63-22-4	49 Fernwood Dr	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
7	2A-53-A	107 Gerrard Av	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
8	27-48-6	21 White Av	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
9	66-8-0	521 Somers Rd	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
10	3-112-2	223 Braeburn Rd	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
11	3A-6-B	25 Young Ave	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
12	43-20-0	243 Pease Rd	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
13	12A-49-24	33 Lasalle St	Exemption	41C	3-9-2022	Granted
14	40-6-0	49 Chestnut St	Exemption	41C	3-9-2022	Granted
15	34-17-6	6 Concord Dr	Exemption	41C	3-9-2022	Granted
16	4A-26-236	100 Smith Av	Exemption	22	3-9-20228	Granted
17	92-18-10	29 Parker St	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
18	3B-100-0	44 Worthy Av	Exemption	22E	3-9-2022	Granted
19	7-23-22	17 Lori Ln	Exemption	22E	3-9-2022	Granted
20	37-15-B	65 Hanward HI	Exemption	22	3-9-2022	Granted
21	23-37-43	56 Harwich Rd	Exemption	22	3-9-22	Denied

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. Motion passed 3-0.

	Parcel ID	Location	Abt/Exemption	Clause	Date	BOA Action
1	95-4-8	26 Somersville Rd	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Denied
2	7-5-1/2	7 Broadleaf Cr	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Denied
3	PP#330	Eversource- Various	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Denied
4	69-12-0	105 Somersville Rd	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Denied
5	40-46A-1	32 Chestnut St	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Denied
6	7-6-0	135 Benton Dr- Vacant	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Denied
7	77-65-5	35 Fraser Dr	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Granted
8	8-8-1	135 Benton Dr	Abatement	59	3/9/22	Granted
7	8-8-1	135 Benton Dr	FY21-ATB	59	3/9/22	Granted

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Assessors will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 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; MVE Abatement Report; RE Exemption Report; RE Abatement Report, LA-3 Sales Reports; Director's Report; MVE Abatement application; RE Exemption and abatement applications, ATB documents.