

EDGARTOWN BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING 9-25-2017

PRESENT: Alan Gowell, Chairman of the Board; Donna L. Goodale and Laurence A Mercier, members of the Board; Jo-Ann Resendes, Principal Assessor; Ed Pierce, Data Collector/Office Assistant; and C. Bonnell, Administrative Assistant. Pam Dolby, Town Administrator was present to discuss solar field's taxes.

The meeting came to order at 3:00 PM. Approval of the minutes for 6/14, 6/27, 7/11, 8/14, and 8/21 was postponed.

Pam Dolby discussed with the Board the tax bills for the solar fields located at map 45 parcel 434.1 and map 11 parcel 80.11- assessed to CF CVEC Owner LLC. Currently the agreement is that they pay the taxes and the Town reimburses them the same amount. Jo-Ann stated that if that is how the agreement is written up, then there is no way to change it. She noted Chapter 59B-2 that states that if town property is leased to a business, then it is subject to taxation. Jo-Ann told Pam to contact the DOR if she wanted additional information on the tax status of the solar projects. Pam will do more research to see what other towns are doing. Jo-Ann suggested that they change the agreement- Pam said that wouldn't be able to for awhile because this agreement was just signed in 2015. The bills have only been for FY 2016 and FY 2017. Pam also noted that the Town does get a check from the solar company.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Two letters were received from the Building Inspector concerning buildability on two lots (11-1.348 and 11A-223). After reviewing these parcels the Board voted to code these lots as unbuildable.

Jo-Ann read correspondence from Rob McCarron asking for further consideration on lots at Herring Creek Farm that had not been abated for FY 2017, and then the tax payers would agree not to file at the Appellate Tax Board. The Board reviewed the request and took no action.

PERMISSION TO ABATE:

The Board voted to abate the following uncollectible taxes submitted by the Collector:

2015- Personal Property \$19.40

2016 Personal Property \$16.74

2017 Personal Property \$510.61

2006 Motor Vehicle \$198.75

2017 Motor Vehicle \$151.25

OLD BUSINESS: A short discussion was had about the regionalization of the Assessors on the Island. The study is going forward slowly. Jo-Ann said the committee would meet with the Town's Selectmen first and she will be notified when that is. She will talk to other Assessors about it.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board reviewed the sales from June, July and August 2017.

Jo-Ann updated the Board on the progress of the reval. She noted the deadline dates for Vision and the DOR.

Jo-Ann asked Donna to research the title of a property at Cow Bay.

The next meeting will be posted for October 23, 2017 at 3:00 PM.

After motion made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

