

EDGARTOWN BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING 8-3-2015

PRESENT: Donna Goodale, Chairperson of the Board; Alan Gowell and Laurence Mercier, members of the Board; Ed Pierce, Data Collector/Office Assistant; Jo-Ann Resendes, Principal Assessor, and Cindy Bonnell, Administrative Assistant.

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 3:32 PM.

After motion made and seconded, the minutes of the June 1, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Jo-Ann reported to the Board that she had received a letter from the Appellate Tax Board that the older cases have been dismissed due to lack of prosecution. The cases left at the Appellate Tax Board are Lipkin FY2010-2013, Phalen FY2011, Nicol FY2011-2013, Morey (School Street) FY2014, and Puciloski FY2014 (hearing recently postponed).

At 3:35 PM Mr. Gowell made a motion to go into executive session to discuss appellate tax board cases, and to return to regular session when done. Mr. Mercier aye, Ms. Goodale aye and Mr. Gowell aye.

At 3:38 PM the Board returned to regular session.

After motion made and seconded the Board voted to abate the following uncollectible taxes submitted by the Tax Collector:

2014 Motor Vehicle \$40.00 Personal Property for 2012-\$13.38, 2013-\$45.37, 2014-\$9.62 and 2015 \$38.60.

The Board voted to approve the CPA exemption application from Francesca Stancati for FY 2015 - \$104.80.

The Board reviewed the sales report for June 2015. Jo-Ann noted that she also ran a sales report with assessment sale ratios that showed that assessments are consistently at 5-20% lower than the 2015 sale prices. The 2015 sales have not been verified as yet re: status as arms-length sales. Sales questionnaires will be reviewed and other data checked in order to eliminate non-arms length sales from analysis.

Donna asked Jo- Ann what will be on the calendar for the next three months. Jo-Ann responded that she has been working on getting the map update completed and getting GIS data to match the Vision data. The FY 16 interim update will be done in September. Because of the new Chapter 30 B procedures, she will have to get three bids for the update, one from Vision and two others.

A short discussion was had about the Trustees of Reservations taking over the Farm Institute at Katama Farm.

The next meeting will be posted for August 31, 2015.

After motion made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 4:08 PM

Respectfully submitted: