

EDGARTOWN BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING 8-31-2015

PRESENT: Donna Goodale, Chairperson of the Board; Alan Gowell and Laurence Mercier(Mr. Mercier arriving at 3:40PM) 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 3:15 PM.

After motion made and seconded, the minutes of the August 3, 2015 meeting were approved by Mr. Gowell and Ms. Goodale.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nothing at this time

PERMISSION TO ABATE:

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

2014 Personal Property \$798.06 2015 Personal Property \$32.03 2014 Motor Vehicle \$73.75 2015 Motor Vehicle \$73.75 and 2006 Motor Vehicle \$90.00

New Business:

Richard Lacus came before the Board to discuss Ocean Heights zoning/assessment issues. He explained to the Board that he has seen situations in Ocean Heights where lots are not being used for what they are zoned for. He was also concerned with the beautification of Ocean Heights. His question is whether or not we assess lower if the condition of the property is below average. Jo-Ann responded that the sales would reflect the values, if the sales prices go down because of houses that have problems in the neighborhoods, then that would affect the values. Mr. Gowell responded that all the properties are treated the same and that we don't have jurisdiction to act to make people improve their properties. Mr. Gowell felt that the questions here are for zoning officials and other departments. Ms. Goodale said that it is not a Town issue, that every development has home owners associations, but Ocean Heights does not. Mr. Lacus told the Board that he was not out to get anyone, and he has written to other departments to ask questions about enforcement of zoning. Mr. Lacus left the meeting at 3:35 PM.

The next meeting will be posted for September 28,2015 at 3:00 PM.

After motion made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted: