

EDGARTOWN BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING 12-11-2015

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 C. Bonnell, Administrative Assistant

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 11:18 AM.

After motion made and seconded, the minutes of the 12-1-2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nothing at this time

PERMISSION TO ABATE:

Nothing at this time

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board reviewed the 61B application from Phyllis Aldrich, Etal. It was noted that the area on the application is different from the actual area on the parcels. The Board voted to approve the application, and Jo-Ann will verify the acreage pending clarification from the taxpayer.

Jo-Ann prepared the Assessors budget for FY 2017. She gave the board copies, and went over it line by line with them. As of today the budget would only be increasing by about \$260.00. It was discussed that Jo-Ann may be retiring as of 1/1/17, and there may be a need to put more money in the budget to cover training etc. Jo-Ann told the Board she will talk to the Town Administrator (or personnel board) about working part time and training.

Jo-Ann will prepare the amount for the overlay surplus for the next meeting.

Jo-Ann provided the Board with a copy of the municipal modernization bill, which could change some laws that would affect the Assessors. She went over some of the proposed changes with the Board.

Concerning the Arons letter from last month's meeting, Donna has done some research and feels that Mr. Arons letter was factually correct and that the Geresy name should be removed from the property. The Board made a motion and voted to have Jo-Ann draft a letter to the owners, notifying Mr Arons that he had the correct information and notifying the Geresys that they have no evidence of ownership and that their name will be removed from the property.(48-34.2)

The Board reviewed November property sales.

Jo-Ann will draft a letter to the taxpayers for the annual Town report. She will email it to the Board for changes or suggestions.

The next meetings will be posted for January 4, 2016 to discuss the overlay and the annual report and for January 25, 2016 to look at any abatement applications that have been received and discuss when Board members will be on vacation. Both meetings will be posted for 3:00PM.

After motion made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted: