

Board of Assessors  
Minutes of Meeting  
January 22, 2019

6:02 p.m.: Meeting came to order with Raymond Goff, Chairman; Thomas Barry, Vice Chairman; Donald Minney, Clerk; and John Whelihan, Director of Assessments present.

Documents Used:

- FY20 Commercial/Industrial Valuation Update Agreement (Bishop & Assoc)
- FY20 Office Budget

Signatures:

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| • Schedule of Bills Payable:                                   | \$1,388.91  |
| • Warrant & Commitment;<br>Tri Lakes Sewer Assessment (102-60) | \$3,291.56  |
| • Warrant & Commitment;<br>2018 Motor Vehicle Excise (MVE)     | \$12,308.65 |
| • Monthly List of Exemptions; FY19 RE                          | \$2,333.00  |
| • Monthly List of Exemptions; FY19 MVE                         | \$321.97    |
| • Monthly List of Exemptions, FY19 MVE                         | \$10.42     |

Incoming Correspondence:

- Notice regarding the Annual & Special Town Meeting dates

Old Business:

- Mr. Barry made the motion to accept the minutes of the December 11, 2018 regular session & executive session meetings. Mr. Goff seconded. The motion passed 2-0 with Mr. Minney abstaining.
- Mr. Minney made the motion to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2019 meeting. Mr. Barry seconded. The motion passed 2-0 with Mr. Goff abstaining.
- The FY17 Appellate Tax Board cases with Conkey & Sons Lumber are scheduled for February 4 in Boston. Mr. Whelihan, Mr. Barry and Zach Bombard are planning on attending the Hearing. Attorney Jeff Blake, of KP Law will represent the Board. The Board briefly discussed the relevant facts surrounding the personal property appeal.

New Business:

- Mr. Whelihan recommended that the Board consider raising the Clause 41C Elderly Exemption amount to \$1,000. He also recommended increasing the small personal property exemption amount to \$5,000 in value. In order to potentially have a warrant article ready for town meeting, data will be provided at the next meeting for the Board to review.

Discussion/Decision:

- Although Mr. Barry had reservations regarding the lack of funding in the vehicle and photocopier accounts, the Board approved the fiscal year 2020 Assessor's budget. The FY20 revaluation was primarily funded through last year's budget. Mr. Whelihan will notify the Board when the Finance Committee is having Budget Hearings.
- The Board approved the FY20 Commercial/Industrial Valuation Update Agreement with Bishop & Associates. The contract amount was \$4,800. The town's last revaluation was in FY15.
- The Mayflower Valuation will assist Mr. Whelihan with the residential valuation analysis.
- The Board denied a 2018 motor vehicle excise abatement application for Andre Kopacki. The license plate wasn't cancelled until December 2018. The bill is outstanding.

6:45 p.m. Mr. Goff made the motion to adjourn their regular meeting and move into Executive Session to discuss FY19 exemption applications under Purpose 7 of MGL Ch 30A, s. 21(a) to comply with or act under the authority of MGL Ch 59, s. 60 with respect to confidentiality, and not reconvene in Regular Session. Mr. Barry seconded the motion.

Goff	Yes
Barry	Yes
Minney	Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Minney  
Clerk

Minutes of Executive Session  
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The Board approved the following FY19 Exemption applications. All votes were unanimous at 3-0

<b>NAME</b>	<b>PROPERTY ADDRESS</b>	<b>PARCEL ID</b>	<b>EXEMPTION</b>
Arbeit, Dennis	68 Orchard Street	218-20	Cl. 22
Fleury, Roger M. Jr.	670 South Washington Street	280-5.02	Cl. 22
Ritter, Jonathan W	80 Granby Road	267-63	Cl. 22
Paradiso, Martha L.	38 North Main Street	243-39	Cl. 41C + CPA

7:10 p.m.: Motion to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Minney,  
Clerk